

# MINUTES

## MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, 13 December 2023

**Time:** 6.00pm

**Venue:** Council Chamber  
Rangitikei District Council  
46 High Street  
Marton

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**Present**

- Ms Carolyn Bates
- Mr David Christison
- Mr Peter Farrell
- Ms Sally Moore
- Mr John Whittaker
- Cr Dave Wilson
- HWTM Andy Watson

**In attendance**

- Kevin Ross, Chief Executive
- Greg Smith, Chair, Bulls Community Committee
- Colin Fanning, Member, Bulls Community Committee
- Dave Yates, Member, Bulls Community Committee

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## 1 Welcome

Carolyn welcomed all to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/034**

Apologies received from Ms Jennifer Greener, Ms Lyn Duncan, Cr Greg Maughan, Ms Jo Manuel and Ms Kezia Spence.

Mr J Whittaker/Mr D Christison. Carried

## 3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

**That the apologies for Ms Manuel be included.**

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/035**

That the minutes of Marton Community Committee Meeting held on 11 October 2023 **as amended** be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Mr D Christison/Mr J Whittaker. Carried

## 7 Follow-up Actions

### 7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings

Carolyn raised several issues with regard to the Follow-up Actions. Why items were not included, why are items raised elsewhere not included when appropriate for the whole district.

Kevin Ross committed to raising / querying with staff to provide better reporting in future.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/036**

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings' be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr D Christison. Carried

## 8 Chair's Report

### 8.1 Chair's Report - December 2023

Carolyn gave a verbal report covering:

- Toilet Signage – has been installed.
- The Anti Vape Team Presentation.
- A Social Clubs Expo.
- Murray Nash generating a website promoting opportunities in the area.
- Provision of MCCs Small Project Application Form for the use of Taihape Community Board.

Wilson Park's status – work with Sally Moore continues.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/037**

That the Chair's Report – December 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr J Whittaker. Carried

## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 Mayor's Report - October 2023

The Mayor gave some updates on his written report.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/038**

That the Mayor's Report – October 2023 be received.

Mr P Farrell/Cr D Wilson. Carried

### 9.2 Mayor's Report - November 2023

The Mayor gave some updates on his written report.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/039**

That the Mayor's Report – 30 November 2023 be received.

Mr P Farrell/Cr D Wilson. Carried

## 10 Reports for Information

### 10.1 Small Projects Fund Update - December 2023

Following support for the Christmas Tree at the Village Green, the Lighting Ceremony was viewed to be a success.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/040**

That the report 'Small Projects Fund Update – December 2023' be received.

Mr D Christison/Ms S Moore. Carried

### 10.2 RDC Engagement and Consultations

Carolyn raised concerns with regard to communication from RDC.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/041**

That the report 'RDC Engagement and Consultations' be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr J Whittaker. Carried

### 10.3 Funding Schemes Update - December 2023

Creative Communities Scheme - CCS Festivals – The committee viewed that the extra \$7,861.70 is good to support local festivals.

**Resolved minute number 23/MCC/042**

That the Funding Schemes Update – December 2023 be received.

Mr P Farrell/Ms C Bates. Carried

## 11 Discussion Items

### 11.1 Discussion Item- Christmas Tree

The Committee were pleased with the result, tree looked good and lighting ceremony was attended by many.

John Whittaker queried when tree is scheduled to be dismantled - 9-15 January was expected.

Dave Wilson also updated the progress of the Stage, it is not quite complete, can be used but some final touches are scheduled for early 2024.

### **11.2 Discussion Item- Communications**

Carolyn raised frustrations with regard to Communications

- **Water improvements** - Carolyn spoke regarding many people not “getting the message” about the Water improvements.
  - Bores are done. Treatment Plan to be worked on and is due to be finished December 2024.
- **Event Promotion**
  - Failure to have items published in a timely manner has resulted in folk not providing relevant info to RDC about their entities events / activities.
  - Some Indicated they did not want any new items to be abused by the new communications team’s approach.
  - Meet the Candidates (22 Sep 23) – lack of promotion.

**Production of easy to read documentation** – Colour contrast of some documents with an older population, this should be a consideration.

### **11.3 Discussion Item - Toilet at High Street**

Plans for the “old” toilet on High Street was raised. Dave Wilson commented that there are options to be considered with RDCs development of the corner of Broadway / High Street.

### **11.4 Discussion Item - Cobber Kain Parking**

Having had the road sealed, a concern was raised regarding cars being parked on the grass. All members were asked to keep an eye on the area to see if there appeared to be any consistency with the reported activities. To be included in next meeting.

### **11.5 Discussion Item – Subsidy when Makirikiri Road is used**

Peter asked if RDC will be subsidised when Makirikiri Road is used for diversions. Andy said that Makirikiri is an accepted alternative route.

### **11.6 Discussion Item - Community Christmas Lunch**

Carolyn spoke of the lunch, contact with Emily Rayner it seemed that all was going to plan and there was no need for them to request support via the Small Grant's Fund.

Andy indicated he is sponsoring the lunch with the Op Shop and New World.

**The meeting closed at 7.50pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Marton Community Committee held on 14 February 2024.**

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Chairperson

