



Policy/Planning Committee Meeting

Order Paper

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Cr Angus Gordon

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Membership

Councillors Cath Ash, Nigel Belsham, Jane Dunn,
Graeme Platt, and Lynne Sheridan
Ms Tracey Hiroa (Te Roopu Ahi Kaa representative)
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson (ex officio)

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Rangitīkei District Council

Policy and Planning Committee Meeting

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The quorum for the Policy and Planning Committee is 5.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 3 November 2016) 10.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

1 Welcome

2 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for the absence of Cr Platt be received.

3 Members' conflict of interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

4 Confirmation of order of business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting from 12 April 2018 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-2

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 12 April 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

6 Chair's Report

A report will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation:

That the Chair's Reports for May 2018 to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 10 May 2018 be received.

7 Progress with strategic issues – Update

With priority 4 projects (Earthquake-Prone buildings), Council agreed to undertake consultation on the location of priority areas in the urban centres over the period 7 October to 7 November 2017, with oral submissions being heard by this Committee at its meeting on 9 November 2017. As well as advising the Bulls, Marton and Hunterville Community Committees and the Taihape Community Board and making letter drops to all potentially affected businesses and property owners, there were public meetings held in Taihape and Marton. At its meeting on 30 November 2017, Council resolved not to adopt any priority

areas under section 133AF of the Building Act 2004 and to send a strong message to Government about the severe impacts of the legislation on the viability of many businesses and sustainability of the District's towns.

An application has been submitted to the Lotteries Heritage and Environment Fund for a grant towards a feasibility study on establishing the Marton Heritage Precinct Project as a collaborative initiative between private building owners and the Council. Funding of up to \$100,000 has been agreed to. Outcome of the application is expected in June.

Further work to safeguard water and wastewater treatment plants was included in the 2017/18 Annual Plan programme, and is continued in the draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan.

Regarding priority 5 projects, a new agreement for the continued delivery of Infrastructure Services by Manawatū District Council has been finalised between the Chief Executives of both councils. It builds on the original foundation of collaboration, but introduces a more structured arrangement and explicit performance framework. Quarterly reporting is provided to the Finance/Performance Committee, starting April 2018.

A member of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa was appointed to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee (from its February 2017 meeting) with full speaking and voting rights. Discussions last year with the Komiti showed interest in this being extended to other Council Committees. At its meeting on 1 March 2018 Council resolved to formally extend the invitation to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa offering them a seat as contributing members to the Policy/Planning and Finance/Performance Council committees. New members were nominated (and subsequently accepted by Council) for Assets/Infrastructure and Policy/Planning Committees.

The Policy/Planning Committee recommended to Council that the Significance and engagement policy be adopted for consultation at the same time as the Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan. At its meeting on 1 March, Council decided to defer that consideration until its meeting on 29 March, which it did.

A new Council brand is being implemented.

8 Update on Communications Strategy

An update is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-15-1

Recommendation:

That the 'Communications Strategy Update' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 10 May 2018 be received.

9 Legislation and Governance Update

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations:

- 1 That the report 'Legislation and Governance Update – May 2018' be received.
- 2 That the operative District Plan be amended to align with the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry by removing all references to forestry and substituting the advisory note "notwithstanding any other rules in this plan, all plantation forestry activities regulated under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Planation Forestry) Regulations 2017 must comply with those regulations. Where there is conflict or duplication between a rule in this plan and those regulations, the regulations prevail".
- 3 That the draft submission to the Fire and Emergency New Zealand consultation paper on Local Advisory Committees boundaries be approved for consideration by the Mayor, deputy Mayor and Chief Executive.

10 Representation review – pre-consultation Consideration of submissions

A report will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-OR-3-8

11 Actioning the Māori Responsiveness Framework

A presentation will be given around suggested performance measures and targets, the integration of this framework within existing policies, and the options for funding reallocation. The draft 'Māori Responsiveness Framework' is attached.

File ref: 4-EN-8-3

Recommendation:

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council the adoption of the Māori Responsiveness Framework [as amended/without amendment].

12 Considerations for the Community Housing Policy

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 6-CF-1-14

Recommendations:

- 1 That the memorandum 'Considerations for the Community Housing Policy' be received.
- 2 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that a market rate rent should be set for Community Housing; doing so at the Property Brokers figure of \$150:

EITHER

- Expecting the additional rental contribution (\$15) to be borne by the tenant.

OR

- The additional rental contribution (\$15) should be absorbed through the provision of power to tenants.

3 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following tenancy prioritisation provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- Those who are 65 years or more;
- Those who already live within the Rangitikei District;
- Those who meet the financial benchmarks set by the Ministry of Social Development to receive an Accommodation Supplement;
- Those who have close relatives in the area;
- Those who have been referred by a medical professional;
- Those who have been referred by the Ministry of Social Development.

4 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following rental limit provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, consider a rent reduction for any tenant whose rent exceeds 35% of the NZ Superannuation and Veterans Pension (not including the disability allowance) after tax and after Accommodation Supplement entitlement has been received.

AND/OR

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, set a present day maximum rental rate in perpetuity for those over 80 years of age.

13 Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill

A draft submission is attached. At its meeting on 26 April 2018, Council resolved (18/RDC/120) to delegate to the Policy/Planning Committee, at its meeting on 10 May 2018, to authorise the Mayor to sign submissions to the Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill and the Privacy Bill (so that they are made by the due date), with copies of any submission so authorised included in the Order Paper for Council's meeting on 31 May 2018.

File: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations

1. That the draft submission on the Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill be received.
2. That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission {without amendment/as amended} to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee on the Local Government (Community well-being) Amendment Bill.

14 Privacy Bill

A draft submission is attached. At its meeting on 26 April 2018, Council resolved (18/RDC/120) to delegate to the Policy/Planning Committee, at its meeting on 10 May 2018, to authorise the Mayor to sign submissions to the Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill and the Privacy Bill (so that they are made by the due date), with copies of any submission so authorised included in the Order Paper for Council's meeting on 31 May 2018.

File: 3-OR-3-5

Recommendations

- 1 That the draft submission on the Privacy Bill be received.
- 2 That His Worship the Mayor be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Council, the submission {without amendment/as amended} to the Parliamentary Justice Committee on the Privacy Bill.

15 Draft submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency's Draft Investment Assessment Framework for the 2018-21 National Land Transport Programme

A draft submission is attached. It will also be considered by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee. Submissions are due on 18 May 2018.

The framework document can be found at <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/planning-and-investment/national-land-transport-programme/draft-investment-assessment-framework-2018-21-nltp/>

File ref: 3-EP-3-7

Recommendation:

That the Policy/Planning Committee, taking into account the recommendation from the Assets/Infrastructure Committee, approves [without amendment/as amended] the New Zealand Transport Agency's Draft Investment Assessment Framework for the 2018-21 National Land Transport Programme, and authorises His Worship the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Council.

16 Low emissions economy – draft report from the Productivity Commission

A presentation will be provided to the meeting on the draft report and suggested points for Council's submission (which will be prepared for Council's meeting on 31 May 2018). Submissions close on 8 June 2018.

Council has previously provided comments on the Low Emissions Economy Issues Paper.

A four page 'At a glance' summary prepared by the Commission and Council's previous submission are attached.

17 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 1-CO-4-8

Recommendations:

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March 2018' be received.

18 Questions put at previous meetings for Council advice or action:

Legal Compliance Project - future planned work 'Finalise outstanding issues'

The following updated modules in the Society of Local Government Managers' legal compliance toolkit will be reviewed against Council's analysis over the coming months:

- Building consents
- Enforcement
- Health and Safety
- Resource consents

The modules on bylaw making, dog control, LIMs, LGOIMA, liquor licensing, property sales, leases and acquisitions, and rates billing, collection and rates rebates align with Council's analysis.

19 Activity management

The Activity Management Templates (project reporting) for the following non-asset based groups of activities are attached:

- Community leadership
- Environmental services

- Community well-being

In accordance with Council resolution 17/RDC/055 which amended Standing Order 20.3 'Questions to staff', the following arrangement applies:

In the email advising Elected Members that the Committee Order Papers have been uploaded, they will be asked to email questions before the meeting to the relevant Group Manager (and copied to the Governance Administrator). The answers will be copied to all Elected Members, the Chief Executive and the Governance Administrator. The full email exchange will be tabled at the meeting. Outstanding questions will be noted in this document.

Questions may still be asked at the meeting. The minutes will record those which require further clarification or actions by staff and note whether this is to be by email before the next meeting (in which case it will be included as a document in the Order Paper) or through a report or agenda note at the next meeting.

Recommendations:

- 1 That the activity management templates for March 2018 for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being be received.
- 2 That the memorandum 'Questions of Activity Management Templates' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 10 May 2018 be received.

20 Late items

21 Future items for the agenda

22 Next meeting

Thursday 14 June 2018, 1.00 pm.

23 Meeting closed

Attachment 1

Rangitikei District Council

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Minutes – Thursday 12 April 2018 – 1:04 PM



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Present: Cr Angus Gordon (Chair)
Cr Cath Ash
Cr Richard Aslett
Cr Nigel Belsham
Cr Jane Dunn
Cr Graeme Platt
Cr Lynne Sheridan
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Mr Blair Jamieson, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Ms Katrina Gray, Senior Policy Analyst/Planner
Mr Johan Cullis, Environmental Services Team Leader
Ms Ellen Webb-Moore, Policy Analyst/Planner
Ms Nardia Gower, Governance Administrator

Tabled Documents

Item: 6:	Chair's report
Item 12:	Enforcement matrix diagram
Item 13:	Presentation on key issues for Council's submission on the Government Policy Statement – Land transport 2018
Item 17:	Late Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Consultation by the Minister of Transport on KiwiRail becoming an approved public organisation under the Land Transport Management Act 2003 and a draft feedback letter.- Horizons' Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan , together with a discussion paper on key issues for inclusion in the Council's submission.

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for the early departure of His Worship the Mayor and Cr Dunn be received.

3 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

There were no declared conflicts of interest.

4 Confirmation of order of business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, the following items were accepted to be dealt with as late items at the meeting:

- Consultation by the Minister of Transport on KiwiRail becoming an approved public organisation under the Land Transport Management Act 2003) and a draft feedback letter;
- Horizons' Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan, together with a discussion paper on key issues for inclusion in the Council's submission

There was no scheduled change to the order of business.

5 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number	18/PPL/026	File Ref	3-CT-15-2
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That the Minutes of the Policy/Planning Committee meeting held on 15 March 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Cr Belsham / Cr Aslett. Carried

6 Chair's Report

Resolved minute number	18/PPL/027	File Ref	3-CT-15-1
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That the Chair's Report to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 12 April 2018 be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Dunn. Carried

7 Progress with strategic issues – Update

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda. It was further noted that Te Roopu Ahi Kaa have made recommendations for representatives to sit as contributing members to the Policy/Planning and Assets/Infrastructure Committees. The recommendations will go before Council at its 26 April 2018 meeting for endorsement.

Tracey Hiroa has been nominated to the Policy/Planning Committee.

8 Update on Communications Strategy

Ms Hodder spoke to the update. The weekly digests were being produced every week so it was not immediately apparent why they were not accessible for Elected Members in their section of the website.

Undertaking Subject

That media activity in future Updates on the Communication Strategy is identified in the following ways:

PR = Press release and **I** = Interview

Undertaking Subject

That the Weekly Digest in the councillor's area of the website be updated.

Undertaking Subject

That the Weekly Digest has local media content where possible.

Resolved minute number

18/PPL/028

File Ref

3-CT-15-1

That the 'Communications Strategy Update' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 12 April 2018 be received.

Cr Dunn / Cr Gordon. Carried

9 Representation review – pre-consultation

Ms Gray spoke to the item. Points raised were:

- Maps are intended to be available on the Council website, in Council service centres with requests being made of our partnering networks to share the information to the wider District.
- Press releases will reference the maps back to the website, service centres and other identified locations.

The following feedback was given for the upcoming public consultation:

- A clear understanding of the ratepayer cost of Community Committees and Community Boards be stated.
- To be included in the first paragraph - there is no rate payer cost variance associated with the number of councillors sitting on Council.
- Retain in the Survey a question on the submitter's ward of residence, but include the option of not sure / don't want to answer.
- Map to include an indication of the direction in which the boundaries of a ward are expanding or shrinking.

Undertaking

Subject

Representation review packs to be provided for distribution at the Long Term Plan public meetings.

Resolved minute number

18/PPL/029

File Ref

3-OR-3-8

That the 'Survey and engagement plan for pre-consultation on the representation review' provided to the Policy/Planning Committee's 12 April 2018 meeting be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Ash. Carried

Resolved minute number

18/PPL/030

File Ref

3-OR-3-8

That the Policy/Planning Committee approves the survey (as amended) and engagement plan for pre-consultation on the representation review.

His Worship the Mayor / Cr Ash. Carried

10 Actioning the Māori Responsiveness Framework

Mr Jamieson spoke to the item. It was noted:

- The Strategic Liaison: Iwi-Hapū role is currently being advertised on Trademe, SEEK and Council's website.
- The responsiveness framework is intended to be a living document. The appointee to the strategic liaison role will have input into the performance measures and desired outcomes of the framework.

- Through the required process of iwi engagement, Te Roopu Ahi Kaa has recommended that the focus of the strategic liaison role be primarily on iwi and hapū of the district. It will be for Council to decide the parameters they want the role to include, for example, urban Māori.
- The operational funding of the framework is within current budgets.

Undertaking**Subject**

Mr Jamieson to discuss with management the option of the Strategic Liaison: Iwi-Hapū role being fixed term for one year.

11 Draft Rental Policy for Community Housing

The Committee noted the commentary in the agenda.

His worship the Mayor left at 1:45 pm

12 Proposed Enforcement Strategy

Mr Cullis spoke to the item. The following was highlighted:

- In developing the strategy, staff have compared other councils' strategies along with what the Solicitor General has advocated as standard practice.
- Enforcement staff have been involved in the process of developing the strategy.
- Internal structures are to be utilised in an appeal process. The ultimate decision will sit with the Chief Executive.
- The Hearings Committee will still be used when required.
- Flow charts will be included.

Resolved minute number**18/PPL/031****File Ref****2-RE-1**

That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that the proposed Enforcement Strategy (and prosecution policy) be adopted, taking into account the points raised at the Committee's meeting and including an executive summary.

Cr Belsham / Cr Aslett. Carried

Cr Ash left at 2:08 pm - 2:14 pm

13 Legislation and Governance Update

Ms Webb Moore spoke to the report, highlighting the following:

- The Government is proposing to restore the four well-beings back into the Local Government Act.
- Registration for interest in consultation on the Zero Carbon Bill is an indication of the value placed on the environmental issue.

Elected members discussed the merits of a regional fuel tax (as proposed in the Land Transport Management (Regional Fuel Tax) Amendment Bill versus tolling roads of significance.

Resolved minute number **18/PPL/032** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That the report 'Legislation and Governance Update, April 2018' be received.

Cr Gordon / Cr Dunn. Carried

Resolved minute number **18/PPL/033** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That the Policy Planning Committee requests a submission (for consideration by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive) be drafted to the Government on the Land Transport (Regional Fuel Tax) Amendment Bill supporting the use of tolling roads of significance and not supporting a regional fuel tax, and, if sent, provided to Council's meeting on 26 April 2018 for endorsement.

Cr Belsham / Cr Sheridan. Carried

A presentation was provided (and tabled) on key issues for Council's submission on the Government Policy Statement – Land transport 2018/19-2028/28. The following points were suggested for including in the submission.

- Support greater funding for local and regional roads
- Request a stronger use of rail for freight along with commuters
- Support focus on safety but opposes a blanket lowered speed limit on rural roads.
- Request considering Ohakea as a regional cargo hub to reduce congestion from the region
- Request inclusion of drug testing for drivers and accidents
- Suggest a greater picture of connectedness i.e. location of ports and airports
- Suggest a wider focus for efficient/effective public transport beyond the metro centres, and to consider connectivity for economic and social growth.
- Suggest an integrated land transport strategy that takes into account air, land and sea (including, reducing the number of trucks on the road by putting freight on to rail.
- Suggest a consideration of electric rail
- Request Taihape – Napier Road be designated a state highway, in terms of resilience, benefits to tourism, opening up land-locked land and the economy of the region.
- Suggest a number of inland ports throughout the country
- Note the national walkway and the lack of separation of walkers and vehicle on SH3

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that, while it was appropriate to have a comprehensive statement of Council's views in the submission, for the oral presentation he would need to concentrate on a maximum of four topics.

Resolved minute number **18/PPL/034** **File Ref** **3-OR-3-5**

That a submission for Council's consideration at its meeting on 26 April 2018 be prepared on the Government Policy Statement – Land Transport 2018/19-2027/28, having regard for the discussion at the Policy/Planning Committee's meeting on 12 April 2018.

Cr Gordon / Cr Sheridan. Carried

Cr Dunne left at 2:41 pm
His Worship the Mayor returned at 2:41 pm
Adjourned 3:25 and reconvened at 3:36 pm

14 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

Mr Jamieson spoke to the report.

The meeting with Horizons transport team was discussed. A supplementary meeting will be scheduled, with an update to be provided the Policy/Planning Committee meeting, 10 May 2018.

Resolved minute number **18/PPL/035** **File Ref** **1-CO-4-8**

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March 2018' be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Belsham. Carried

His Worship the Mayor left at 3:59 pm – 4:00 pm
His Worship the Mayor left at 4:04 pm – 4:05 pm

15 Questions put at previous meetings for Council advice or action:

The answers include in the agenda were noted.

16 Activity management

Undertaking **Subject**

Report back to Policy/Planning Committee meeting, 10 May 2018, on the Legal compliance Project - future planned work 'Finalise outstanding issues'

Resolved minute number **18/PPL/036** **File Ref**

That the activity management templates for March 2018 for Community Leadership, Environmental and Regulatory Services and Community Well-Being be received.

Cr Sheridan / Cr Platt. Carried

Resolved minute number**18/PPL/037****File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Questions of Activity Management Templates' to the Policy/Planning Committee meeting on 12 April 2018 be received.

Cr Belsham / Cr Aslett. Carried

17 Late items

1 KiwiRail

Resolved minute number**18/PPL/038****File Ref**

That the Policy/Planning Committee authorises His Worship the Mayor to send the proposed response [with editorial amendments by the Mayor] to the Minister of Transport's letter requesting the Council's view on whether KiwiRail should become an approved public organisation under the Land Transport Management Act 2003, noting that it will be put to full Council for endorsement at its meeting on 26 April 2018

Cr Ash / Cr Gordon. Carried

2 Horizons' Consultation Document for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan (link below), together with a presentation on key issues for inclusion in the Council's submission.

Mr Hodder spoke to the item with the following points discussed:

- The comparatively high increase in Horizons' rates in 2018/19 for the Rangitikei District is due in part to the recent revaluations by Quotable Value. Rangitikei Council may want to suggest that all councils in the region do their revaluation at same time or, alternatively, that Horizons applies a differential rate for Rangitikei residents. There are several ways in which a differential could be dealt with.
- River schemes throughout the region have also impacted rates.

Mr Hodder requested feedback to be received over the coming days from Elected Members on the discussion draft tabled at the meeting,

Not mentioned in the discussion paper, but also potential topics for the draft submission were

1. Funding mechanism for the pest plant 'old man's beard'.
2. Consenting fees change.
3. Specific mention on the commuter issue.

18 Future items for the agenda

None

19 Next meeting

Thursday 10 May 2018, 1.00 pm.

20 Meeting closed

4:24 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

Attachment 2

Communications Update

This report provides the Committee with an update on media activity; current consultation processes underway; and updates on the Action Plan from the 2017-19 Communications Strategy.

Jo Priestley was recently appointed as our Communications / Website Officer and is assisting with internal and external communications and will shortly start a content review of Council's website.

April Media Activity

The table below outlines the media activity during April; printed media articles published during the month and website activity:

- Rangitikei Bulletin – This was published at the end of April, covering the key decisions from the April Council meeting and featured in the Feilding - Rangitikei Herald and District Monitor.
- Rangitikei Line – the next edition will be distributed in mid-May.
- Community Committee and Community Board updates were published on Council's website and in the District Monitor in April, highlighting key points from these meetings.
- There were 9 media articles during the month.

Date	Media Channel	Article Heading and Topic
12/04/2018	Feilding/Rangitikei Herald (article)	Recycling and water network is the future focus – relates to options in the draft long term plan.
12/04/2018	Feilding/Rangitikei Herald (article)	Children flock to Taihape swim centre – success of the swim centre now run by Westend Aquatics.
12/04/2018	Feilding/Rangitikei Herald (article)	Plan for Rangitikei region unveiled - Mayor Andy Watson unveiled the districts long term plan.
12/04/2018	Feilding/Rangitikei Herald (article)	Taihape lobbies to lower speed - the "speed kills " road safety message has been taken to heart by Taihape, where years of lobbying by the community boards have finally paid off and a revision of speed limits on several local roads is underway.
18/04/2018	Manawatū Standard (article)	Cash injection for gay camp party considered by council – consideration of funding.
19/04/2018	Feilding/Rangitikei Herald (article)	Iwi rights a past wrong with school – Following the purchase of the former Turakina Māori Girls College by Ngati Apa the Council approved a rates remission until 2020, from \$20,000 a year to less than \$8,000.
26/04/2018	District Monitor (article)	Aiming for 1000 ANZAC poppies - Council will store the 1000 poppies made by children.
26/04/2018	District Monitor (article)	Work affecting upper Broadway business – retailers unhappy - Marton business owners and retailers want better communication regarding ongoing roadworks.
26/04/2018	District Monitor (article)	Council's feedback on representation – review of existing community representation arrangements.

Current Consultation Underway:

- Consultation for the Long Term Plan; Waste Management and Minimisation Plan; Schedule of Fees and Charges; and Rates Remission Policy on Māori freehold land close on 4 May.
- Proposed Dixon Way speed limit change closes on 18 May.
- Annual resident's survey is underway – survey is open until 18 May.
- Representation review – pre-consultation is currently underway.

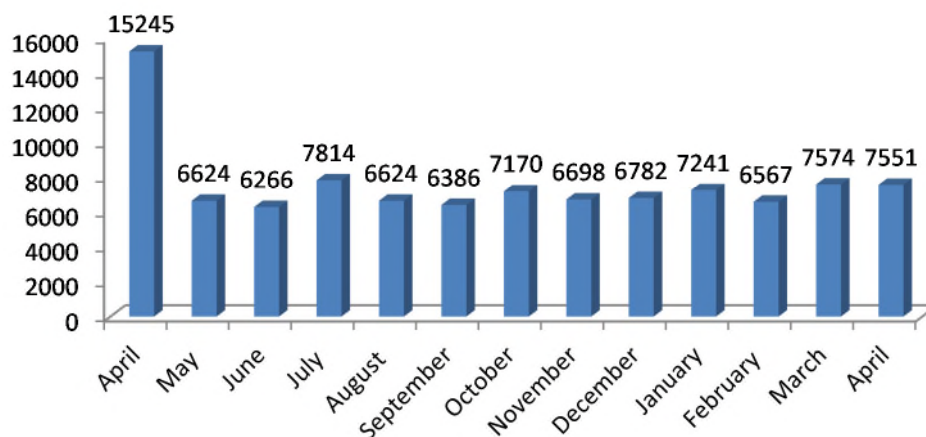
Requests under Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA)

- From the beginning of the year to the end of April Council has received 36 requests under LGOIMA. Of these 30 have been responded to on time (within the 20 working days requirement), 1 time extension has been sought; and 5 are due for response by the end of May.

Website Statistics

Activity on Council's website for April 2017 – April 2018:

Website Visits 2017-18



In April 66% of those who visited Council's website were new visitors to the site.

Top Council Webpages Visited (April)

1. Rates
2. Rubbish/recycling/transfer stations
3. Cemeteries / database
4. Contact us
5. Cemeteries
6. Long Term Plan

Top Six Geographical Locations

Visiting the Website (April)

1. Palmerston North area
2. * Wellington
3. * Auckland
4. Christchurch
5. Napier
6. Whanganui

* note smaller areas can be recorded as Auckland or Wellington

Communications Strategy 2017 – 2019 – Update on Action Plan

<i>Action Description</i>	<i>Expected Completion</i>	<i>September Update</i>
Review and update information about services Council provides	Ongoing	“Fact Sheets” for key areas and services of Council are being developed. Content for website will begin to be reviewed.
Continue to ensure the Council website is the primary customer/resident self-help tool	Ongoing	A revised and updated website should be operational by the end of May. Now in the ‘testing’ stage.
Develop a consistent professional format for Council’s brochures and booklets	April / May 2018	Underway - this is the next stage in the brand development.
Investigate alternative ways of communicating with residents (e.g for language barriers – translations into Samoan, Māori)	June 2018	This is another stage in the brand development.
Develop a draft Comms/Engagement Plan for the draft Long Term Plan process, consisting of two phases: Phase one - stakeholder focused on conversations around issues / policies / process, etc. Phase two - community consultation.	Second half of 2017 and first half of 2018	Underway.
Investigate and implement (where appropriate) the most effective ways of communicating within and beyond Council	Ongoing	
One-off campaigns, focussing on Council’s priority areas, can include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promote and educate ratepayers on what Council does, finances, rates levels, affordability and value - Infrastructure service levels - Economic development - Community facilities - Earthquake prone buildings - Response and personal preparedness during an emergency 	Ongoing	
Prepare / update media / communications strategy	June 2018	

Carol Downs
Team Leader - Communications

Attachment 3

Report

Subject: Legislation and Governance Update – May 2018

To: Policy/ Planning Committee

From: Ellen Webb-Moore, Policy Analyst

Date: 2 May 2018

File: 3-OR-3-5

1 Proposed amendments to the Local Government Act

- 1.1 A draft submission to the Local Government (Community Well-being) is provided later in the Order Paper.
- 1.2 There are two other bills proposed by Members yet to be drawn for consideration in the Parliament which would amend the Local Government Act:
- the Local Government (Customer Services) Amendment Bill – which would require that local authorities promote a customer focus to delivering public services and regulatory functions, and provides that chief executives of local authorities are responsible for ensuring that local authorities provide customer-focused delivery in these areas.
 - the Local Government (Salary Moderation) Amendment Bill – which would require that local authority chief executive remuneration be moderated by reference to other comparable positions by specifying that the terms and conditions, including the remuneration, of the chief executive of a local authority must be approved in advance by the State Services Commissioner.

2 Review of the alcohol fees regulation

- 2.1 The Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013 made substantial changes to the alcohol licencing system. It introduced cost-recovery for councils and the Alcohol Regulatory and Licencing Authority (ARLA) through a prescribed level of fees. Last year the Ministry of Justice completed the first review of these regulations – “Review of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (fees) Regulations 2013 Report – December” – which has now been sent to local government chief executives and will be published on the Ministry’s website later this month.
- 2.2 The review identified variation in the ways that councils determine their costs, but sufficient and comparable data to assess the cost recovery objective is not yet

available. It is too early to determine whether cost recovery is being consistently achieved by councils.

- 2.3 The Ministry is developing practical guidelines to support councils having a consistent approach to determining the costs of their alcohol licencing and related activities. This work is being undertaken in consultation with Society of Local Government Managers and Local Government New Zealand. The new guidance will help councils calculate costs, revenues and levels of cost-recovery. The Ministry will advise councils when the guidance becomes available.

3 Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ) consultation on Local Advisory Committees boundaries

- 3.1 The Fire and Emergency New Zealand Act provides for the establishment of Local Advisory Committees as a way to ensure that community voices, interests and needs are well represented, understood and taken into account in FENZ's local planning. Cabinet recommended that between 12 to 16 Local Advisory Committees be established nationally. By law, there must now be one Local Advisory Committee for each boundary so the final number will be determined following a decision on boundaries.
- 3.2 The proposal from FENZ is to adopt regional council boundaries, as used for Civil Defence Emergency Management purposes, which provides for a logical convergence. However, this approach was not followed in defining FENZ's operational boundaries, and the attached submission (Appendix 1) requests that this apparent anomaly is addressed (to avoid a local area committee relating to two different operational areas).

4 Proposed Dog Control Category 1 Offences Amendment Bill

- 4.1 This proposed Bill seeks to reduce the time it takes for charges under the Dog Control Act 1996 to be heard by allowing Category 1 offences to be heard by Justices of the Peace and Community Magistrates. The intention is that this will free up court time while bringing cases to closure earlier.
- 4.2 A Category 1 offence is a type of offence for which the defendant can only be fined, and can't be sentenced to prison or to a community based sentence (such as community work).¹ These are not the type of offences which Council would normally prosecute for; nonetheless, comments from regulatory staff are supportive of the change.
- 4.3 This Bill has yet to be drawn for consideration in the Parliament.

¹ Would include offences under ss 52, 52A, s 63, ss 36, 36A, s 54.

5 Local Electoral Matters Bill

- 5.1 The Bill has the intention to provide greater flexibility to enable local electoral arrangements to adapt to changing circumstances. Government has seen that intervention is required because they see that at present there are barriers to trialling and evaluating new and existing voting methods in local elections. It therefore proposes to amend the Local Electoral Act to support the conduct of trials of novel voting methods (such as online voting), amending the Electoral Act to enable to ensure that analysis of voter participation in local elections (including trials) can utilise age group information.
- 5.2 It is at the first reading stage (so has yet to be referred to Select Committee and submissions called).

6 Litter (Increased Infringement Fee) Amendment Bill

- 6.1 Under the Litter Act 1979, every person commits an offence if they deposit litter in or on a public place, or in or on private land without the consent of its occupier. Council has authority to deal with this type of offending through an infringement notice or through the courts. The current maximum fine of \$400 has been viewed as too low and it is therefore proposed to increase it to \$1000.
- 6.2 This is a private member's bill, introduced on 22 March 2018. On 2 May 2018, the Bill passed the first reading stage and was referred to the Environment Committee. A call for submissions will be announced shortly.

7 National Environmental Standards on Plantation Forestry

- 7.1 On 1 May 2018, the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry came into force. This means that our District Plan will need to be amended to align with the NES. . All references to forestry in the will be removed and replaced with the following advisory note "notwithstanding any other rules in this plan, all plantation forestry activities regulated under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Planation Forestry) Regulations 2017 must comply with those regulations. Where there is conflict or duplication between a rule in this plan and those regulations, the regulations prevail". A recommendation to formalise this is included.

8 Low Emissions Economy Update

- 8.1 In late April, The Productivity Commission provided a draft report on how New Zealand should transition to a low-emissions economy. The Commission's view is that New Zealand has had climate change policies in place for some time but these have not been effective in reducing domestic emissions. The report shows that major changes will be needed and that margining technologies are likely to play a large role in facilitating those changes and creating new opportunities.
- 8.2 Submissions are requested by 8 June 2018.

9 Health (Fluoridation of drinking water) Amendment Bill

9.1 This Bill remains at the second reading stage. The last action was on 29 May 2017.

10 Recommendations

10.1 That the report 'Legislation and Governance Update – May 2018' be received.

10.2 That the operative District Plan be amended to align with the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry by removing all references to forestry and substituting the advisory note "notwithstanding any other rules in this plan, all plantation forestry activities regulated under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017 must comply with those regulations. Where there is conflict or duplication between a rule in this plan and those regulations, the regulations prevail".

10.3 That the draft submission to the Fire and Emergency New Zealand consultation paper on Local Advisory Committees boundaries be approved for consideration by the Mayor, deputy Mayor and Chief Executive.

Ellen Webb-Moore
Policy Analyst/Planner

Appendix 1

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File: 3-EP-3-7

Email: boundaryconsultation@fenz.nz

Dear Rhys

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the proposed boundaries for Local Advisory Committees. Council agrees with the proposal to align these boundaries with those for Civil Defence Emergency Management across the country.

However, we wonder why FENZ did not elect to follow this model for operational boundaries. This leaves questions around whether this will have an impact on operational boundaries and what the implications of being in two or more Local Advisory Committees Boundaries might look like for the Council.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei

Attachment 4

GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS

MĀORI RESPONSIVENESS FRAMEWORK

STEPPING UP MĀORI RESPONSIVENESS

- GOVERNANCE AND RELATIONSHIPS
- CULTURE AND INDENTITY
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AREAS OF COUNCIL INFLUENCE

GOVERNANCE & RELATIONSHIPS

COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS

- TE ROOPU AHI KAA KOMITI
- COUNCIL COMMITTEES (tangata whenua representation)
- STRATEGIC LIAISON: IWI/HAPŪ
- LONG TERM/ANNUAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT
- DISTRICT PLAN DEVELOPMENT
- STRATEGIC RELATIONSHIPS

CULTURE & IDENTITY

COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS

- DISTRICT PLAN PROTECTION PROGRAMMES (wāhi tapu & culture)
- ART IN PUBLIC PLACES
- IWI NARRATIVES
- TE AO MĀORI (event relevance)
- NATIVE PLANTINGS & REVEGETATION

PROSPERITY & WELLBEING

COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS

- POLICY & STRATEGY
- EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE
- YOUTH/RANGATAHI DEVELOPMENT
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- LIBRARY/EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

RESOURCES & INFRASTRUCTURE

COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS

- LAND & WATER DECISIONS
- MARAE DEVELOPMENT
- INFRASTRUCTURE PLANS
- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
- EVENT INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT

AND WHERE APPROPRIATE COUNCIL WORKING WITH OTHERS AS A CONTRIBUTOR TO MEETING THE NEEDS/ASPIRATIONS OF MĀORI

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS / FRAMEWORK

Outcome Area	Performance Measure	Baseline Performance 2017/2018	Year 1 Target	Year 2 Target	Year 3 Target	Year 4-10 Target
GOVERNANCE AND RELATIONSHIPS Council will engage with Iwi/hapū in the spirit of kotahitanga (togetherness) and establish strong relationships for mutual benefit.	1: Number of hui held/attended Measures engagement opportunities with Māori – measured by the number of significant hui and other hui held	Six hui annually with Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Attendance of events or activities as appropriate	At least six hui annually with Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Attendance of significant hui with Iwi/hapū on request of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa or Council At least one hui annually with every hapū in the District	No Change	No Change	No Change
	2: Number of Hapū Action/Activity Plans in progress per annum Measures the success of capturing the future aspirations of hapū and the Council's planned contribution	New Measure	2 Hapū plans per annum	No Change	No Change	No Change
	3: Number of formal relationships established with Māori entities Measures progress in securing relationships (that relate to this framework) for future prosperity	New Measure	Establish relationships as appropriate	No Change	No Change	No Change

Outcome Area	Performance Measure	Baseline Performance 2017/2018	Year 1 Target	Year 2 Target	Year 3 Target	Year 4-10 Target
CULTURE AND IDENTITY Council recognises the unique identity of our district is the heritage and whakapapa of mana whenua	1: Number of Events Supported Measures the visibility of Māori culture and participation in our district via events	New Measure	# events per annum	No Change	No Change	No Change
	2. Number of employees taking Tikanga Māori cultural training Measures the Council capacity to demonstrate appropriate cultural competence	New Measure	All new staff and incoming Councillors at RDC to receive Māori culture training as part of induction. Additionally, regular opportunities for existing staff are being provided.	No Change	No Change	No Change
	3. Number of Māori Art Placements Measures the increase in visibility of Māori culture in our district via art	New Measure	1 Placement Project (every two years)	Nil	1 Placement Project	Nil
	4. Iwi Narratives Measures the increase in visibility of Māori heritage and history in our district	New Measure	1 Annual Signage Project 2 Annual Online Inclusions Published	No Change	No Change	No Change
	5: Collaborative Planting Local Hapū Measures the opportunities captured to reflect Māori values/inclusion in planting	Consulted on a case by case basis.	Advised of all planting projects and non-financial offer of inclusion.	No Change	No Change	No Change

Outcome Area	Performance Measure	Baseline Performance 2017/2018	Year 1 Target	Year 2 Target	Year 3 Target	Year 4-10 Target
PROSPERITY AND WELLBEING Council will work with others to enhance the capacity for Māori participation in the economy. Council will work with others to enhance overall Māori wellbeing	1: Support the Rates Remission Policy for Māori Freehold Land Measures engagement vs outcomes of Council in Remission of Māori Freehold Land Policy	Continued Measure	Determining and assisting number of parties who may qualify for remission.	TBD	TBD	TBD
	2. Economic Development Partnership Linkages Measures the effectiveness of how many Iwi/hapū are partnered with and included in Economic Development plans or activities	New Measure	TBD # inclusions in plans # inclusions in activities	TBD	TBD	TBD
	3. Māori Business Database Measures the accuracy of the databased number of Māori Businesses in the District in order to assist in partner linkages	New Measure	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
	4. Māori Economic Strategy Measures the effectiveness of how Iwi/Māori are engaged as part of the RDC Economic Development Strategy	New Measure	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

	5. Marae Emergency Response Plan Measures Marae preparedness for an emergency	New Measure	1 Marae Plan Developed Annually	2 Marae Plans Developed Annually	No Change	No Change
	6. Rangatahi (Youth) Development Engagement Measures Rangatahi (Youth) engagement in activity and development opportunities	New Measure	# or % in attendance in Youth Zones # or % engaged in Youth Development Activities undertaken	No Change	No Change	No Change

Outcome Area	Performance Measure	Baseline Performance 2017/2018	Year 1 Target	Year 2 Target	Year 3 Target	Year 4-10 Target
RESOURCES AND INFRASTRUCTURE Council will work with hapū and others to ensure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate infrastructure is in place for service delivery at Marae and rural Māori communities • Natural resources are taken care of for future generations 	1: District Plan Papakāinga Provisions Measures the effectiveness of Council's District Plan provisions and the facilitation of Papakāinga housing	New Measure	Papakāinga provisions in the District Plan consider the aspirations of Iwi/hapū All Papakāinga are supported in planning and consenting	No Change	No Change	No Change
	2: Oranga Marae Measures the success of the projects funded under the Marae Development Policy to meet the needs and aspirations of Iwi/hapū	New Measure	100% of Marae Development Projects meet the timeframes and quality expected by Iwi/hapū and Council	No Change	No Change	No Change
	3. State of the Environment Monitors the relationship between Council and Tangata Whenua, particularly in respect of customary environmental values.	Baseline indicators developed and set out in	Refinement of indicators and commence data collection	No Change	No Change	No Change

Attachment 5



Memorandum

To: Policy/Planning Committee

From: Blair Jamieson, Strategy & Community Planning Manager

Date: 2 May 2018

Subject: Considerations for the Community Housing Policy

File: 6-CF-1-14

1 Background

- 1.1 On 30 November 2017, Council resolved that the ownership and management of community housing remains in-house. Following this, an investigation into the viability of a market rental rate, effective 1 July 2018, was requested.
- 1.2 The Community and Leisure Services team does not presently have a policy for the operation/management of community housing. Currently the provisions, management and determinants for the tenancy of community housing are made on an 'as and when' case by case basis.
- 1.3 Alongside conducting an assessment on the viability of a market rental rate, a policy is being developed to encompass the shortfalls that are currently faced by those managing community housing within the District.
- 1.4 Council currently rates approximately \$269,000 per year to supplement the present housing unit stock; being set prior to the community housing having full occupancy. Additionally, \$100,000 of capital is currently allocated for at least the next 3 years to assist in maintenance and improvements.

2 Housing and Tenancy

- 2.1 Council owns 72 community housing units (1 bedroom) spread across the District, and are located in:
 - Marton: 50 units split between three complexes
 - Taihape: 12 units split between two complexes
 - Bulls: 6 units at one complex
 - Ratana: 4 units at one complex
- 2.2 There are presently 75 tenants across these community housing units; 68 being individuals, 3 couples and a Māori Warden office.
- 2.3 The weekly rent for an individual 65 years old or over is set at \$100, and \$110 for individuals under 65. Couples are set at \$130 per week. These rent prices sit between 66-73% of the Property Brokers Ltd assessed market rental rates. Highlighted below on Table 1.

Table 1: Present Rental Rates vs. Property Brokers District-Wide Market Rate

Age Group	Marton	Taihape	Bulls	Ratana	Market Rate
Single Under 55	110	110	110	110	150
Single Over 65	100	100	100	100	150
Couple	130	130	130	130	180
Māori Warden	100	100	100	100	150

- 2.4 The present day rental price was set in 2006 under an existing Council policy. The intention was for the rental rate to reflect the true cost of providing the service but be no greater than one-third of the gross pension (the gross pension in 2006 being \$301.33).
- 2.5 The weekly rental only includes grounds maintenance. Tenants are to provide everything else; ovens are the only chattels owned by Council.

3 Tenant Data

- 3.1 A number of assumptions have had to be made as data is not presently known about the tenants in the following areas:
- The amount and age distribution of tenants who receive ACC type benefits.
 - The amount and age distribution of tenants who receive Work & Income type benefits.
 - The amount and age distribution of tenants who have a disability and the nature of that disability.
- 3.2 The community housing tenants are made up from a mixture of ages with limited incomes. All tenancies are for one person only unless specified (being three cases), with none being suitable to house children. The table below shows the ages of the tenants presently occupying the community housing.

Table 2: Tenant Age Distribution

Age Group	Percentage (Rounded)	Units Occupied
Under 55	12 %	9
55-65	21 %	15
65+	66 %	47
Māori Wardens	1 %	1 (Office)

- 3.3 Because of the age spread and life circumstances there are a range of benefits, supplements and entitlements available to tenants; *see Appendix 1.*

4 Mechanisms to Achieve Market Rental

- 4.1 If the data above supports the application of a market rental rate, there are two primary mechanisms available to achieve this:
- 4.1.1 The first is that Council accepts that the additional cost (excluding accommodation supplement) to both NZ Superannuitants and Main Benefit tenants would increase by \$15 per week.
- 4.1.2 Alternatively, Council could agree to charge market rental rates and absorb the \$15 additional cost to tenants by securing the power supply account to the property and absorbing the extra \$15 per week from the power bill. This would help reduce potential rent burden on the tenant, ensuring that Council is able to secure a desirable level of rental income. There would be an expected subsidy of \$33,000-36,000; reducing the additional income from an increase to market rental from \$174,720 to roughly \$130,000 (being the estimated market rental – present day rental – power supply). Additional costs would also be assumed by Council in administering any additional billing of power to the tenants.
- 4.2 Both of the above options would receive administration support from the local case managers of The Ministry of Social Development.
- 4.3 A different approach would be setting a percentage based income rental rate for NZ Superannuitants. This is an alternative to standardised market rental pricing where a maximum percentage (often 33-35%) is taken from a tenant's NZ Super. If applied, rentals for individuals on NZ Superannuation could be \$132 per week (increasing the true cost to the tenant by \$9 to \$109 per week). Alternatively, this could be applied alongside the provisions in 8.2, being a rental rate shall be based at market rates or 33% of NZ Superannuation; whatever is lower.

5 Determining Priority

- 5.1 Assuming Council decided to apply a market rental rate, taking into account the notable need for community housing and the present full yet diverse age range of occupancy, the Committee may wish to set the eligibility requirements and tenant priorities for the housing.
- 5.2 To ensure that Council is able to meet the needs of the community whilst maintaining a financially viable operation, the future priority could focus towards accommodating the elderly; doing so for the following reasons:
- Council would not be put in position where it would have to make assumptions or require a greater extent of private information from tenants (i.e. types of benefits, income or disabilities).
 - Processes and rent limit provisions under a Policy could be equitably applied; subsequently decreasing administrative costs.

- Risk mitigation. Accommodating the elderly decreases the likelihood that illicit activities such as methamphetamine usage are undertaken; reducing the associated repair costs of such activities.
- There are no Crown owned Housing New Zealand stocks in the Rangitikei. The cost to subsidise those on low incomes experiencing financial hardship is a function of the Ministry of Social Development, not Council.

5.3 As demand for community housing over the last two financial years has been in excess of the number of units available, the selection of tenants could be prioritised a number of other conditions, meeting one or more, or requiring one or more of the following:

- Who are aged 65 years or older;
- Who already live within the Rangitikei District;
- Who meet the financial benchmarks set by the Ministry of Social Development to receive an Accommodation Supplement;
- Who have close relatives in the area;
- Who have been referred by a medical professional;
- Having been referred by the Ministry of Social Development.

6 Determining Rent Limit Provisions

6.1 In conjunction with setting the priority of the community housing to those on NZ Superannuation and Veteran's Pension, the Committee may wish to create a mechanism for setting an affordable rent limit (i.e. where tenants cannot secure accommodation supplements due to exceeding the cash and non-cash asset threshold). There is variability among other councils – e.g. Waipa does not do this, but Wellington does.

6.2 Examples of safety net provisions are:

- The Chief Executive may, at his sole discretion, consider a rent reduction for any tenant whose rent exceeds 35% of the NZ Superannuation and Veterans Pension (not including the disability allowance) after tax and after Accommodation Supplement entitlement has been received.
- The Chief Executive may, at his sole discretion, set a present day maximum rental rate in perpetuity for those over 80 years of age.

7 Considerations with Market Rental Rates

7.1 As noted earlier, approximately \$269,000 per year has been rated to supplement the present housing unit stock; being set prior to the community housing receiving full occupancy. Additionally, \$100,000 of capital is currently allocated for at least the next 3 years to assist in maintenance and improvements.

- 7.2 If Council was to move to market rentals it would receive an additional \$3,360.00 per week in rent or \$174,720.00 per year; being the difference of that evidenced below:

Table 3: Weekly Comparison Rental Figures

Rent Type	Under 65 (24 at 110 vs 150)	Single over 65 (44 at 100 vs 150)	Couple over 65 (3 @ 130 vs 180)	Māori Warden	Weekly TOTAL
Present Day	2640	4400	390	100	7,530
Market Rental	3600	6600	540	150	10,890

- 7.3 The intention to raise the rental prices to market rates provides an opportunity to have a sustainable financial model whilst also allowing for improving the quality of rentals offered to the community. Additionally it will help reduce any required expenditure in meeting the standards of the Healthy Homes Guarantee Bill.
- 7.4 The additional income in excess of operational needs acquired from moving to a market rental rate would remain within the activity (including the proceeds of any divestment).
- 7.5 A standardised improvement plan would be presented at a later date to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee pending the outcomes from this Committee.
- 7.6 A PESTLE analysis is attached (*see Appendix 2*) to identify the macro-environment. It is important to bear in mind the four factors considered due to their potential to influence outcomes.

8 Conclusions

- 8.1 In moving towards a market rental rate projections show that 95% of the present day tenants would need to contribute an extra \$15 per week. Council will need to determine whether the additional \$15 rental contribution would be stand alone or should be absorbed through the provision of power to tenants; reducing the increased rental burden. Noting that the cost of such subsidisation would decrease the market rental margin by between \$33,000-36,000.
- 8.2 Given the demand for Council's community housing, it is desirable to define the mechanisms for achieving a sustainable rental figure, and the conditions for prioritising and accepting future tenants.

9 Recommendations

9.1 That the memorandum 'Considerations for the Community Housing Policy' be received.

9.2 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends to Council that a market rate rent should be set for Community Housing; doing so at the Property Brokers figure of \$150:

EITHER

- Expecting the additional rental contribution (\$15) to be borne by the tenant.

OR

- The additional rental contribution (\$15) should be absorbed through the provision of power to tenants.

9.3 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following tenancy prioritisation provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- Those who are 65 years or more;
- Those who already live within the Rangitikei District;
- Those who meet the financial benchmarks set by the Ministry of Social Development to receive an Accommodation Supplement;
- Those who have close relatives in the area;
- Those who have been referred by a medical professional;
- Those who have been referred by the Ministry of Social Development.

9.4 That the Policy/Planning Committee recommends the following rental limit provisions be included in the Community Housing Policy:

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, consider a rent reduction for any tenant whose rent exceeds 35% of the NZ Superannuation and Veterans Pension (not including the disability allowance) after tax and after Accommodation Supplement entitlement has been received.

AND/OR

- The Chief Executive may, at their sole discretion, set a present day maximum rental rate in perpetuity for those over 80 years of age.

Blair Jamieson
Strategy & Community Planning Manager

Appendix 1

1 Superannuation and Benefit Rates

- 1.1 NZ Superannuation and Veteran's Pension rates at 1 April 2018 – which affect 66% of the current tenanted units are as follows:

Table 1: NZ Superannuation and Veteran's Pension Rates

Weekly payments	After Tax (at 'M' tax bracket if they have no other income)	Numbers
Single, living alone	\$400.87	44
Single, sharing	\$370.03	0
Married, civil union or de facto couple (both partners qualify)	\$308.36 each	5
Married, civil union, or de facto couple* (only one partner qualifies)	\$293.09	1

- 1.2 Main Benefit (those whose primary income is a benefit) rates at 1 April 2018 – which affect 33% of the current tenants are as follows:

Table 2: Main Benefit Rates

Main Benefit Weekly Payments	After Tax (at 'M' tax bracket if they have no other income)	Numbers
Job Seeker (under 25 years)	\$179.44	?
Job Seeker (25 years or older)	\$215.34	?
Supported Living Payment	\$269.15	?

2 Accommodation Supplement Entitlements

- 2.1 The Table below sets out the Accommodation Supplement entitlements figures for *single tenants* receiving NZ Superannuation (those aged 65 years old or over). Please note: *Single tenants* over the age of 65 make up 59% of the total tenancy.

Table 3: Accommodation Supplement Figures for Single NZ Superannuitants

Weekly Rent Price (\$)	Accommodation Supplement (\$)	Cost to Tenant (\$)
100	0	100
110	7	103
120	14	106
125	18	107
130	21	109
135	25	110
140	28	112
145	32	113
150	35	115

- 2.2 *Couples* over the age of 65 make up 8% of the total tenancy (with their income listed in *Table 2*). However due to being a couple they would not qualify for any Accommodation Supplement entitlement at the property brokers market rental of \$150. However, since 1 April 2018, the NZ Superannuation and Veterans Pension have increased by \$8.21 per married, civil union, or de facto person.
- 2.3 As at 1 April 2018, any NZ Superannuitants who has cash assets and non-cash assets that exceeds \$8100 do not qualify for the accommodation supplement.
- 2.4 The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) defines a cash asset as something that can be easily converted into cash, and can include money in the bank or savings money lent to other people or organisations, money in Bonus Bonds, shares, debentures or government stock. This does not include personal items, motor vehicle for private use, or the home you live in.
- 2.5 MSD defines a non-cash asset as leisure boats, land or buildings other than your home, e.g. a holiday home or a rental property. This does not include personal items (for example clothing, furniture, televisions, stereos, etc.), motor vehicle for private use, or the home you live in. The value of a non-cash asset is how much the asset is worth, less anything owing on it.
- 2.6 Table five sets out the Accommodation Supplement entitlements figures for *single tenants* receiving benefits (those under 65 years old). Please note: *single tenants* under the age of 65 make up 33% of total tenants; all being individuals.

Table 4: Main Benefit Accommodation Supplement Figures

Weekly Rent Price (\$)	Accommodation Supplement (\$)	Cost to Tenant (\$)
100	24	76
105	27	78
110	31	79
115	34	81
120	38	82
125	41	84
130	45	85
135	48	87
140	52	88
145	55	90
150	59	91

- 2.7 As at 1 April 2018, any individual on a Main Benefit who has cash assets and non-cash assets that exceed \$8100 does not qualify for the accommodation supplement.
- 2.8 Accommodation Supplement estimations by the Ministry for Social Development for single tenants under 65 who receive assisted living and/or ACC benefits qualify for approximately \$24 more than those on Table 4. Although their average weekly income appears to be \$131.72 less than those on NZ Superannuation or Veteran's Pension, additional income is likely and is not means tested; highlighting potential accuracy errors in making assumptions within this category.

Appendix 2

1 PESTLE Analysis

1.1 *Political:* Following the national trend that demand for affordable rentals and housing exceeds supply, the political environment has been susceptible to media, lobbyists and pressure groups. This is evidenced by some local councils creating rental bylaws and central Government developing policies and legislation (such as the Healthy Homes Guarantee Act). The most relevant election promises from the Coalition Government that relate to Community Housing are:

- Increase 42 day notice periods for landlords to 90 days to give tenants more time to find somewhere else to live;
- Abolish “no-cause” terminations of tenancies;
- Limit rent increases to once per year (the law currently limits it to once every six months) and require the formula for rental increases to be specified in the rental agreement;
- Require all rentals to be warm, dry, and healthy for families to live in by passing the Healthy Homes Bill;
- Give landlords access to grants of up to \$2000 for upgrading insulation and heating.

1.2 *Economic:* There have been notable increases in benefit and payment rates from the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) since 1 April 2018, in summary:

Table 1: MSD Benefit and Payment Rates 2017/2018

NZ Superannuation Weekly Payments	Prior to 1 April 2017 After Tax	Since 1 April 2018 After Tax
Single, living alone	\$390.20	\$400.87
Single, sharing	\$360.18	\$370.03
Married, civil union or de facto couple (both partners qualify)	\$300.15 each	\$308.36 each
Married, civil union, or de facto couple* (only one partner qualifies)	\$285.28	\$293.09
Main Benefit Weekly Payments	Prior to 1 April 2017 After Tax	Since 1 April 2018 After Tax
Job Seeker (under 25 years)	\$177.03	\$179.44
Job Seeker (25 years or older)	\$212.45	\$215.34
Supported Living Payment	\$265.54	\$269.15

1.2.1 In conjunction with the above table any increase in income for NZ Superannuitants has been approximately 50% offset by way of decreases in Accommodation Supplement Entitlements.

1.3 *Social:* The intention to raise rents to match market rates is a move which may invoke criticism about being harsh on tenants. It is important to explain, firstly to tenants and secondly the wider community, that this approach to funding means that (a) the standard of housing can be improved, (b) the maximum access to

state-funded benefits will be secured and (c) there will be no need for ratepayers to subsidise the housing.

- 1.4 *Legal:* The Healthy Homes Guarantee Act¹ was passed by Parliament prior to Christmas and will require all the community housing units to meet proper standards in: insulation, heating, ventilation, draught stopping, and drainage from 1 July 2019. The exact requirements are not in the Act, but will be set by the Government before 1 July 2019. There is the risk that around a quarter of the present community houses are either inadequately uninsulated, will struggle to be insulated and/or don't have curtains or internal heating. It would be expected that additional capital will continue to be required if market rental rates are not applied.
- 1.5 *Environmental:* Due to the age of the units and that asbestos-based products were widely used in construction from 1920 to the mid-1980s, There is the potential that some of the products used within the units contain asbestos, i.e. roof tiles, wall claddings, vinyl floor coverings, ceilings, roofing membranes, adhesives and paints. A testing programme is presently being undertaken; if detected there is the expectation that costs will be incurred.

¹ This amends the Residential Tenancies Act.

Attachment 6

11 May 2017

3-OR-3-5

Brett Hudson MP
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Dear Brett

Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on this Local Government Amendment Bill.

Council is pleased to see the reintroduction of the four well beings into the Local Government Act, along with the removal of the section 11A 'core services clause'. We also support the consequential restoring of the requirement on local authorities to resolve any conflict between any of the four well-beings in an open and democratically accountable way.

We agree with the view expressed in the Department of Internal Affairs' 'Regulatory Impact Summary' that local authorities have a broader role in fostering liveable communities than is included in the description of core services – and that it is unnecessary for a legislative provision to detail a restricted list of services given that it is the role of a local authority to provide the services which meet the needs and aspirations of its communities.

It is also apparent that the 'core services' provision has had little practical effect – not surprisingly given the finding in the 2006 Report of the Joint Central Government/Local Authority Funding Project team that there had been few and generally minor operational changes to what local authorities did after the 2002 Act came into effect.

We think this change aligns well with other legislation. We are aware that the Resource Management Act defines sustainable management in terms of well-beings as part of that Act's stated purpose and that the concept of 'well-being' is part of many other provisions – as diverse as the Intelligence and Security Act 2017 and the Child Poverty reduction Bill 2018.

However, while the Council agrees in principle with the changes, including the wider scope for community outcomes and amended definition of significance, we have some concern whether communities will see this as a real change and put pressure on local authorities to be active in spaces where there is already a lack of capacity and funding. This is not a risk identified by the Department of Internal Affairs, but it could be countered by publicising the issues it will allow to proceed – such as the living wage or 'buy local' campaigns as noted by the Department. Similarly, Council would not expect the reintroduction of the community well-beings to result in Central Government delegating new expectations onto local authorities, or that if it does, there would be appropriate allocation of funding to help deal with the capacity issues this could cause.

Council notes that the reintroduction of the four well-beings has not been accompanied by the reintroduction of the old s 91 provision, which was the process for identifying community outcomes.

While that provision had positive intentions in terms of gaining meaningful engagement between local authorities and central government agencies, there was no statutory requirement on central government agencies to reciprocate; in addition, our experience was that the benefits to communities were outweighed by the resources that the organisation had to be expending on reporting requirements.

Rangitikei District Council's current policy is not to have a development contributions policy but has given close consideration to using the development agreements provisions in the Act as being more suited to a district where the areas of growth are uncertain. However, we support the Bills' proposal to remove the restriction on development contributions for community infrastructure: such facilities are important for any major new subdivision development and are unlikely to add significantly to the cost of that development.

We hope that these comments are useful.

I would welcome the opportunity to talk with the Committee.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei District

Attachment 7

11 May 2018

3-OR-3-7

Raymond Huo
Chair
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Dear Raymond

Privacy Bill

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Privacy Bill. Local councils collect and manage a range of personal information so the updated legislation will impact on our operations and the accountability to our community for this.

Council is generally supportive of the changes proposed, but has some concerns with Part 6, notifiable privacy breaches and compliance notices. This requires an agency to notify the Commissioner and the affected individual(s) of a 'notifiable' privacy breach as soon as practicable. Section 122 is specific in providing that not considering the privacy breach not to be a notifiable breach will not be a defence for not notifying the Commissioner. However, the definitions in section 75(2)(b) of a notifiable privacy breach are general in nature.

We are unclear about the reasons for shifting from the current complaints-based regime but, if the Committee believes it is justified, we believe that there should be a greater requirement placed on the Privacy Commissioner to provide clear guidance relevant to the public sector, local government and businesses, and relevant to their sphere of operations. Clause 14 of the Bill simply carries the current functional expectations of this position. We suggest adding the following:

(cc) to provide comprehensive guidance on what constitutes a notifiable privacy breach relevant to the range of personal information collected and managed by agencies

For example, under section 28C of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, a person may ask for a local authority to withhold their name and address from publicly accessible rating information database. If for example a situation were to arise where somebody's details were disclosed publicly would this need to be reported under the new provisions? Comprehensive guidance will remove the guess-work that could be involved.

We are doubtful about applying substantial fines for non-reporting, particularly when there is apparently no consideration of the size of the agency and the impact of paying such sums. A more appropriate penalty is requiring the Commissioner to include every such failure in the Annual Report. If the objective behind these provisions is greater visibility about agencies' processes for handling personal information, this is a more effective way, leaving the financial penalties for repeated or very serious breaches. Inclusion in the Commissioner's report would also make more obvious those types of records (or types of agencies) where greater guidance is needed from the Commissioner. So we suggest the following change to section 122(1):

An agency that, without reasonable excuse, fails to notify the Commissioner of a notifiable privacy breach under section 118 commits an offence and this will be noted in the next available Annual Report of the Commissioner. Repeated offending or a very substantial breach is, in addition, liable to conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000

The Council is supportive of the other changes to the Privacy Act, including the strengthening of cross-border data flow protection, the new criminal offences imposed and the bolstering of the Privacy Commissioners' investigative powers.

Thank you once again for the opportunity to comment, we hope these comments are useful.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei District

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Attachment 8

26 April 2018

6-RT-2-3

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Dear Fergie

Draft Investment Framework for the 2018-21 Land Transport Programme

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the revised Investment Assessment Framework (IAF) developed to give effect to the new Government Policy Statement on land transport for 2018/19 to 2027/28. It will do this 'by using the IAF to prioritise which proposals should receive funding within the activity class funding ranges'. Council appreciates that this represents a considerable challenge given the substantial change of emphasis sought by the new Government, and we note that the IAF will remain a draft until after the release of the final GPS by the Minister. However, we are not confident that, as presently drafted, the IAF will deliver on the Government's desired outcomes and priorities as set out in the GPS.

Part of our uncertainty lies in the lack of a clear relationship in the IAF with the 'mapping the strategic priorities, objectives and results' in the GPS. We would prefer to see a greater focus on nationwide standards or interventions, whereas the whole IAF (including the investment criteria tables) appears very focussed on specific projects. This inevitably means a piecemeal approach. Setting some clear objectives to apply across the country would help correct this: for example, the incidence of passing lanes on state highways, bend warnings on local roads, standardised markers for one lane bridges

The GPS sets out six Ministerial expectations, but it is hard to discern how these are to be realised in the IAF. For example, the first Ministerial expectation is that the Transport Agency 'will take a lead role in securing integrated planning of the land transport system'. This integration will become increasingly important as mode-neutral assessments gain greater profile and we suggest stronger consideration when responding to the second stage GPS.

Council appreciates the candour expressed about how the Transport Agency's current evaluation methodology could result in some safety projects being assessed with a very low priority, which would work against the step change sought in the GPS. This points to a need to review the benefit-cost ratio so that safety is factored in – it is possible that some safety improvements could increase the time required for a journey. A similar consideration could apply to considering the objectives in the GPS for the environment – e.g. low carbon options, of particular significance when other modes of transport are considered, rather than seeing them (eventually) as part of the strategic fit.

The value for money concept in the GPS is delivering 'the right infrastructure and services to the right level at the best cost'. The IAF proposes to address this using the present approach – i.e. an assessment of the business case (i.e. effectiveness) and then through a two factor assessment approach – results alignment (is it in the public interest?) and a cost benefit appraisal (how efficient is the proposal)? We agree with the Agency's position that cost-benefit analysis has limitations; we note the process taken to address these by taking into account the interactions between transport and the economy, in particular employment and/or higher productivity (agglomeration). However, it is not clear how far this assessment has regard for integrated planning across the country. In addition, the Agency is using different terminology from the GPS, raising the question whether it reflects the intention of the GPS, especially the implications for funding projects with medium or low results alignment.

There are two areas in the IAF of direct interest to the Rangitikei District which we wish to comment on:

First, we note (page 5) that any activity already approved for local authorities is treated as committed, - i.e. they will not be required to be reviewed under the 2018-21 IAF. We wonder why this is so: local authorities may well wish to have the opportunity to reconsider their activities in the light of revised Government priorities. This statement would appear to deny that option.

Second, the GPS is specific in looking for regional networks (including key regional freight routes) that are safer, better connected and more resilient – with improved transport connections, including local roads and public transport. The assessment criteria in the IAF for maintenance and improvements (pages 16-20) do not provide detail on how these changes will occur. Yet there are some obvious possibilities to be examined. Examples include designating the Taihape-Napier Road a state highway (an alternative west-east connector for the central North Island and the key link into the presently land-locked Maori-owned land in the northern part of the District), the use of Ohakea airfield as a cargo hub alongside military operations and access to Whanganui's port (both of which having the potential to reduce road freight haulage), and provision of scheduled public transport (to reduce private car usage and address isolation for people unable to drive or without ready access to a car). There will be comparable proposals elsewhere in the country.

In summary, Council believes that the IAF would be improved by having a stronger alignment with the GPS and being more specific about taking the interests of the whole country into account and achieving greater equity in transport outcomes.

I hope these comments are useful to you.

Yours sincerely

Andy Watson
Mayor of the Rangitikei District

Attachment 9

Low-emissions economy

Draft report – April 2018



The Government asked the Productivity Commission to identify how New Zealand could transition to a low-emissions economy, while continuing to grow incomes and wellbeing. The inquiry investigates the challenges of, and identifies opportunities for, reducing New Zealand's emissions, in the context of an ambition to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050.

This *At a glance* brings together the important messages from the Commission's draft report on New Zealand's transition to a low-emissions inquiry. The Commission seeks your input – particularly on the draft findings, recommendations and questions – by **8 June 2018**.

New Zealand's role in the global climate challenge

New Zealand has among the highest per person greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the world. This is despite most of New Zealand's electricity coming from renewable sources. Major emissions sources in the New Zealand economy are agriculture and transport.

While per person emissions are large, New Zealand's emissions are very small as a share of the global total (less than 0.2%). But this does not justify inaction. Climate change is a classic case of the "tragedy of the commons", where individuals have incentives to maximise personal value to the detriment of the public interest. Collectively, small emitters account for around 30% of global emissions. Countries such as New Zealand do matter and a concerted effort by all is needed to solve this issue. By achieving a successful transition to a low-emissions economy, New Zealand strengthens its ability to influence other nations, including by sharing its technology and experience.

Pathways to a low-emissions economy

It is clear that the transition to a low-emissions economy will be a long journey through very uncertain terrain. Modelling undertaken for this inquiry suggests that New Zealand can make the transition at costs similar to those likely to be experienced by other developed countries. But, the sooner that emissions reductions begin, the less disruptive the transition will be.

Three key drivers will set New Zealand on a path to achieving its mitigation goals: replacing combustion of fossil fuels with electricity where feasible, reductions in emissions intensity in agriculture, and changes in land use in favour of afforestation and, to a smaller extent, horticulture. Forestry will play a vital part in New Zealand's ability to achieve large net emissions reductions to 2050, but it can only buy time for other, more permanent, mitigation technologies to emerge.

Policy change is needed to drive an effective transition

New Zealand has had climate mitigation policies in place for some time, such as the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS). Yet these policies have not lowered emissions.

Without more ambitious policies that endure over the long haul, New Zealand will not successfully transition.

To help the private sector and civil society to plan and take long-term decisions with confidence, a stable and credible policy environment is needed. The Government must signal a strong commitment to the transition, be clear about its policy intent, and establish broad and enduring political support.

A stable and credible climate policy should be underpinned by:

- getting **emissions pricing** right, to send the right signals to motivate investment in low-emissions technologies and processes;
- harnessing the full potential of **innovation** and supporting **investment** in low-emissions activities and technologies;
- creating **laws and institutions** that endure over time and act as a commitment device for future Governments; and
- ensuring other **supportive regulations and policies** are in place (including to encourage an inclusive transition).

Getting emissions pricing right

An emissions price is the price an emitter pays for each unit of GHG they release to the atmosphere. Effective emissions pricing provides a strong incentive to reduce emissions at least cost and provides a clear and credible signal to investors contemplating long-term investments in new production assets that have different emissions consequences.

New Zealand should retain the NZ ETS rather than switch to a carbon tax. But the NZ ETS needs reform if it is to be effective. Specifically, higher emissions prices, comprehensive coverage across the economy, and greater clarity about the future supply of emission permits (NZUs) are needed. The inquiry's modelling suggests that New Zealand's emissions price will need to rise to at least \$75 a tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent, and possibly over \$200 a tonne, over the next three decades.

An emissions price that includes agriculture should be the main driver of land-use change. A significant increase in forestry, in the range of 1.3 and 2.8 million more hectares, mostly on land currently used for marginally profitable sheep and beef farming, will be needed. This rate of afforestation, while challenging, is comparable to the rate at which, over the last 30 years, sheep and beef farming converted to forestry, dairying, and other uses.

Stable and enduring laws and institutions

New Zealand has lacked clear and stable climate-change policies. This lack of clarity and political agreement about longer-term goals has weakened incentives for change and undermined confidence in existing policies. But governments also need some flexibility when making policy decisions, to allow for future uncertainties.

A long-term and quantified GHG mitigation target should be set in law, to clearly signal the direction of travel. Underneath this all-gases target, separate additional mitigation targets should distinguish between short- and long-lived GHGs because of their different effects on the atmosphere. A series of successive "emissions budgets" that translate long-term targets into clear, short-to-medium term mitigation targets are also needed. These will provide visible stepping stones towards the long-term goal. An independent expert body should be

created to provide advice to the Government on these emissions budgets and other matters, and to regularly assess New Zealand's progress towards its goals.

Harnessing the full potential of innovation and investment

New technologies to support the low-emissions transition will be necessary. In most cases, New Zealand will adopt technologies developed overseas. But in some areas, such as agriculture, New Zealand will need to be actively involved in developing solutions. Substantially more, and better targeted, funding for innovation and technology adoption that supports the low-emissions transition is critical. Bold action on climate change will require making the transition a high priority within the national innovation system.

Enough capital exists globally to support the transition to a low-emissions future. But the challenge is for it to be invested in low-emissions activities and technologies. Greater transparency about climate risk is needed for investors to be able to correctly assess investment opportunities and avoid stranded assets. The Commission recommends introducing mandatory climate-risk related financial disclosures.

Supportive regulation and policies

Stable policy and emissions pricing are needed to change behaviour and promote investment. But, on their own, they will not be enough to maximise the opportunities of the transition for all New Zealanders. A range of other, specific, policies will be required.

Transforming New Zealand's transport system

New Zealand's transport network is dominated by private road transport. Compared to other developed countries, vehicle ownership rates are high, public transport use is low, and the vehicle fleet is old with poor fuel economy.

Transport is one of the main sectors where deep emissions reductions are both necessary and possible given existing and emerging technology. Electric vehicles (EVs) offer a major mitigation opportunity, but a faster uptake is needed. The Government should encourage EVs and other low-emissions vehicles by introducing a "feebate" scheme (where vehicle importers either pay a fee, or receive a rebate, depending on the emissions intensity of the vehicle), providing funding support for EV infrastructure, and encouraging government agencies to procure low-emissions vehicles.

Regulating fossil-fuel vehicle imports will be required to avoid New Zealand becoming a dumping ground for old technology. Emissions standards for new and used imported vehicles will help to avoid this risk. The Government should also put emissions-reduction goals more centrally in government transport planning.

A low-emissions electricity system that keeps the lights on

New Zealand's low-emissions transition will rely on abundant and cheap renewable electricity. But there are trade-offs between cost, emissions, and security of supply in the electricity system. Given current technology, it could be very expensive to completely eliminate GHG emissions from electricity because of the need to have backup generation (currently supplied by fossil fuels) for those years when it does not rain enough to fill up the hydro lakes. Eliminating this backup generation entirely would likely raise electricity prices and discourage users of fossil fuels in other areas of the economy from switching to renewable electricity.

New technologies such as tidal power may emerge over time, while existing technologies such as wind power and battery storage are likely to become more cost-effective. But it is still uncertain what paths these technologies will take. The emissions price in the NZ ETS should drive investment in electricity generation, rather than the Government favouring particular technologies, or setting stringent targets for electricity-sector emissions.

Targeted interventions across the economy

While the main emissions mitigation opportunities are in agriculture and transport, the cumulative effect of numerous smaller emissions reductions across the economy will also be important. Many opportunities exist to achieve such change. For example, emissions from the waste sector account for 5% of New Zealand's total emissions. These emissions should be addressed through extending the coverage and rate of the waste disposal levy, and through the collection of better data on waste emissions and support to local councils to regulate waste.

Support for households facing significant transition costs

The transition to a low-emissions economy presents many opportunities, but also challenges, particularly for low-income households. Government policies could increase the costs of energy, food and transport, which may disproportionately affect these households and which can be offset through the tax and welfare system. Where emissions-reduction policies generate significant shocks (eg, the loss of a major employer) the response should be targeted toward re-training opportunities for those who will have the most difficulty gaining new employment.

Challenging but achievable

While the challenges of achieving a low-emissions economy are large, they are not beyond the will or ability of communities to respond. New Zealand can reach its low emissions targets if it has the right institutions and policy settings in place, and the journey is embarked upon without delay.

Read the full report ... and make a submission

Submissions on the draft report are invited by **8 June 2018**. Government will receive the final report by the end of August.

Read the full version of the draft report and make a submission at www.productivity.govt.nz/low-emissions/draftreport or call us on 04 903 5150.

The **New Zealand Productivity Commission** – an independent Crown Entity – conducts in-depth inquiries on topics selected by the Government, carries out productivity-related research, and promotes understanding of productivity issues.

Attachment 10



Memorandum

TO: Policy/Planning Committee

FROM: Blair Jamieson

DATE: 2 May 2018

SUBJECT: **Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – April 2018**

FILE: 1-CO-4-8

1 Background

- 1.1 This report identifies meetings that have taken place involving members of the Policy Team through the Community Partnerships activity, focussing on the Path to Well-being initiatives. Added commentary is provided where necessary.
- 1.2 This report also covers applications for external funding as required by the Policy on external grant applications made by Council.
- 1.3 This report covers the month of April 2018.

2 Meetings

Name / Location / Date	Agenda	Reasoning / Outcomes / Conclusions
Taihape Community Development Trust 4 April Taihape – Council Office	MOU Workplan and Community Committee process clarity	Process around communication established. MOU workplan initial draft considered – pending secondary meeting with Mokai Patea around Youth allocation.
Regional Community Development Meeting 6 April MDC Offices, Fielding	Region Wide Forum and Collaboration on Community Wellbeing	Consulted and provided comment on MDC Community Wellbeing Strategy. Copies were provided for our consideration if such a strategy was to be applied.

3 Youth

- 3.1 Martons Youth Zone the 'The Lobby' has received a daily average patronage of 17 during the month of April.
- 3.2 Taihapes Youth Zone will return pending the conclusion of the MOU negotiations with Mokai Patea Services and the Taihape Community Development Trust; which are still ongoing at this time.
- 3.3 The Bulls Youth Zone is on hold until the development of the Bulls Community Centre. No other locations were seen to be workable during this period.
- 3.4 Whilst a number of new youth programmes, activities or initiatives have been considered, there has been nothing to report during this period.
- 3.5 Gillian Bowler, former Southern Youth Development Coordinator developed a transitional operational document for the Youth Programme; concluding her role on the 30th of April. Nardia Gower has been contracted till June 30th 2018 to lead the Youth Development Programme.

4 Funding

- 4.1 An update on all funding applications is summarised in [Appendix 1](#).

5 Recommendation

- 5.1 That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March 2018' be received.

Blair Jamieson
Strategy & Community Planning Manager

Appendix 1

Fund	Project description	How much	Desired outcomes and milestones	Lead Agency	Council role	Policy Team Role	Final report due
Community Facilities Fund, Lottery	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre (\$700,000 applied for)	\$500,000	To develop the centre in Bulls	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Following project completion
KiwiSport	Swim-4-All 2017/18 (\$10,000 applied for)	\$5,000	For the swim programme in the 2017/18 season	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	May-18
Mid-Sized Tourism Facilities Fund	Public toilets in visitor hotspots	\$140,000	Toilets in Mangaweka, Bulls River, Papakai Park and Bruce's Reserve	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Dec 2017 - extension sought until July 2018
COGS	Swim-4-All 2017/18 (\$10,000 applied for)	\$4,000	For the swim programme in the coming season	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Sep-18
JBS Dudding Trust	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre	\$200,000	To develop the centre in Bulls + ongoing support to libraries	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Jul-18
Community initiatives fund	Rangitikei Heritage for the publication of an historical memoir	\$2,000	Publishing memoir	RDC	Lead	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Jul-18
Community initiatives fund	The feasibility of re-locating a church/community hall in Whangaehu.	\$2,500	Feasibility study	RDC	Lead	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Jul-18
Whanganui Community Foundation	Swim 4 All (applied for \$10,000)	\$4,000	To run the Swim 4 All programme.	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Contributed to application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder.	Sep-18

Health Promotion Agency Community Partnership Fund	Support for the Swim for All Programme. Free swimming lessons for Taihape	\$5,000.00	Children up to 4 years of age will have access to free swimming lessons in Taihape (as is already the case with sponsorship in Marton)	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	15-May-18
Freshwater Improvement Fund	Contribution to the Upgrade of the Ratana Wastewater treatment	\$875,000	To dispose of treated effluent to land rather than Lake Waipu	Horizons	Support Agency	None	
Lotteries Environment and Heritage	To undertake a feasibility study for the Marton Heritage Precinct.	\$235,000	Heritage assessments and structural assessments for buildings in the Marton CBD.	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Project management.	Submitted February 2018
Four Regions Trust (formerly Powerco Trust)	Les Vincent - Memoir	\$8,000	Funding to cover publishing cost of Les Vincent's memoirs	RDC	Lead agency	Prepared application	Unsuccessful
Upcoming		\$1,980,500					
Whanganui Community Foundation	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre	tbc		RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	To be submitted 2018
Community led Development Fund	Youth/Samoan development programme in the District	tbc	To implement Council's youth development proposals and support Samoan community	RDC	Lead agency to be decided	To be discussed	Open for EOI

Attachment 11

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP GROUP OF ACTIVITIES 2017/18			Apr-18
Major programmes of work outlined in the LTP/Annual Plan 2016/17			
Major programmes of work outlined in the LTP/Annual Plan			
What are they:	Targets	Progress for this reporting period	Planned for the next two months
Strategic Planning Activity	Annual Report 2016/17	Annual report adopted.	Completed.
	2018-28 Long Term Plan	Consultation occurring.	Oral hearings in May. Deliberations scheduled for 31 May 2018.
	Performance Framework: Resident's and Stakeholders' Surveys	Annual Survey & Residents Survey has been designed.	Conduction of survey and processing results.
Elections	Commence Representation Review Process	Pre-consultation occurring.	Analysis of pre-consultation and further discussion on proposed representation structure.
Iwi/Maori Liaison	Delivering the Māori Community Development Programme for building capacity in hapu and iwi to take part in Council's strategic planning and decision-making Review key outcomes of the Māori Community Development Programme for input into the 2018-28 Long Term Plan	A Marae Developmet Funding Draft has been submitted and endorsed by Council for review with the Policy/Planning Committee.	Ongoing hui and discussions to be had with representatives of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to further refine goals for programme 2018/19. The required reallocation of existing funding will be sought to integrate itself within the Marae Development Policy.
Council	Delivery of programme of policy and bylaw review, focusing on review of non-statutory policies	See below	
	Co-ordinate actioning recommendations following initial round of section 17A reviews	Nothing to report for this period.	(Complete except for Hunterville Rural Water, included in LTP process)
	Co-ordinate preparation of submissions to government proposals and plans.	GPS Land Transport	Horizons Long Term Plan Local Government (Community Well-being) Amendment Bill NZTA Draft Investment Assessment Framework Privacy Bill
	Preparation of order papers that ensure compliant decision-making	Order papers prepared for; Council, Council Committees, all community committees and boards, TRAK, ERWS, ORWS, HRWS.	Preparation of relevant order papers.
Policy and Bylaw Review	Compliance/end date		
Finalisation of urban/rural stormwater drainage maps to complete Water and Related Services Bylaw	tbc	No progress during this period	Sections of the Bylaw ready for review. Since the bylaw has been in effect for nearly five years, a full review is intended.
Section 17A review: Campgrounds	30 June 2018	Considered in March by PPL.	Complete.
Koitiata Waste Water Reference Group	tbc	No progress during this period	Meeting to be held in May.
Urban Tree Plan	30 December 2017	Completed	Completed
Section 17A review: Libraries & Information Centres	16 August 2017	Completed	Completed
Policy to develop incentives for new home buyers	31 December 2017	No progress during this period	Council workshop
Review of Significance and Engagement Policy	1 October 2017	Out for consulation during April	Consultation, deliberations
Policy on Development Contributions	30 June 2018	Out for consulation during April	Consultation, deliberations
Statement on development of Maori capacity to contribute to decision-making	30 June 2018	Completed.	Incorporated into draft LTP
Revenue and Financing Policy	30 June 2018	Out for consulation during April	Incorporated into draft LTP

Financial Strategy Associated review of Treasury Management Policies	30 June 2018	Completed	Incorporated into draft LTP
Infrastructure Strategy Associated review of Asset Management Policies	30 June 2018	Completed	Incorporated into draft LTP
Scoping report on the level of service for different ONRC classifications	30 September 2017	No progress during this period	
Policy on Council's relationships with community organisations in the District	30 June 2018	No progress during this period	
Policies relating to the regional growth study 1) Maintenance and Protection of Public Roads 2) Impact on rates of neighbouring properties on those planted for Manuka Honey	1 October 2018	No progress during this period	
Earthquake-prone buildings - priority areas	11 July 2019	Complete	Complete
Carried forward	Reference for inclusion		
Legal Compliance Project	Managing risk	No progress during this period	Four areas for updated analysis identified - Building consents, Enforcement, Health and safety, Resource consents
Investigate policy developments in line with the Local Government Excellence Programme	tbc	Draft enforcement strategy prepared and adopted	Specific projects to be identified
Speed Limit Bylaw	Request from the public	Consultation on Dixon Way	Oral hearings, deliberations.
Parking and Traffic Bylaw	Request from Finance/Performance Committee	Complete	Complete
Other pieces of work	Reference for inclusion		

ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES GROUP OF ACTIVITIES 2017/18			Apr-18	
Major programmes of work outlined in the LTP/Annual Plan 2017/18				
What are they:	Targets	Progress for this reporting period	Planned for the next two months	
Give effect to the Food Act 2014	Supporting local business in the final transition year	Regulations now in effect.		
Regional collaboration over regulatory functions	Continue to engage in regional collaboration over regulatory functions	Meeting held on 13 February 2018		
Implementation of Buildings (Pools) Amendment Bill	Start initial year of inspections as required by the Buildings (Pools) Amendment Act 2016 i.e. within six months of the anniversary date of each pool	Standards now approved for Alternative solutions	Compiled pool register, inspections ongoing.	259 pools still to be inspected on the Pool register
Online processing of regulatory functions	Trial online lodgement of building consents as the first stage towards online processing	8 councils piloting process but RDC not one of them, waiting for feedback from pilot programme		
Resource Legislation Amendment Act	Prepare for the enactment and implementation	Currently consulting on new fee structure		
Other regulatory functions				
What are they:	Targets	Statistics for this month	Narrative (if any)	Year to Date
Building Consents	Report on number of building consents processed, the timeliness and the value of consented work	35 BC processed: 100% completed on time, average days to process was 10 days. Value of building work was \$660,841	1 relocateable house valued \$108,000. at All the rest of the work was polesheds, garages, woodfires, alterations and additions	234 BC processed this year, value of work \$12,974,371. 100% processed within 20 working days.
	Code of Compliance Certificates, Notices to Fix and infringements issued.	28 CCC issued: 100% completed on time, average days to process was 1 day .		219 CCC issued, 21 NTF
Resource Consents	Report on: a) number of land use consents issued and timeliness	2 Land Use Resource Consents granted, 100% completed on time		15 Land Use consents granted
	b) subdivision consents and timeliness	0 Subdivision Resource Consent granted, 100% completed on time		23 Subdivision Resource Consent granted
	c) section 223 and 224 certification and timeliness,	4 section 223 and 4 section 224 certificates issued this month.		16 s223 and 15 s224 certificates granted
	d) abatement and infringements issued.			0
Dog Control	Report on number of new registrations issued, dogs impounded, dogs destroyed and infringements issued.	25 New Dogs Registered, 5 Impounded, 4 Infringements, 1 destroyed		4863 Total Dogs Registered, 223 Impounded, 77 Infringements, 42 destroyed, 16 Unregistered
Bylaw enforcement	Enforcement action taken	No letters sent		
Liquor Licensing	Report on number and type of licences issued .	1 New On Licence, 5 Specials		Renew 25 Managers, 12 New Managers, 33 Specials, 3 Temporary Authorities, Renew 1 Clubs, Renew 4 On licences, Renew 4 Off Licence, 2 New Off Licences, 1 New On Licence
Building Warrant of Fitness renewals	Report on overdue BWOFF, audits, Notices to Fix and infringements issued.	10 overdue BWOFF, 1 NTF issued, 1 infringements issued. 3 BWOFF audits done		(Last year 1/1/17- 31/12/17 - 100 of 194 BWOFF renewals were overdue) 27 NTF issued, 11 infringements issued, 85 BWOFF audits done (from 1 January 2017 till now)
Swimming Pool Barriers	Report on number of pool barrier inspections done, Notices to Fix and infringements issued.	1 inspections passed, 1 failed inspections. No NTF issued for non-complaint pool barrier		4 NTF issued. 259 pools still to be inspected on the Pool register
Earthquake-Prone buildings	Marton Area has been prioritised to have all assessments done by Dec 2018	No assessments undertaken in March	Start in Marton CBD	

COMMUNITY WELL-BEING GROUP OF ACTIVITIES 2017/18			Apr-18
Major programmes of work outlined in the LTP/Annual Plan 2017/18			
What are they:	Targets	Progress to date	Planned for the next two months
Community Partnerships	Facilitation of Path to Well-being groups	See below	
	Facilitation of Rangitikei Growth Strategy	See below	
	Delivery of work programme through the MOU	See below	
Key elements of the work outlined in Path to Well-being, Rangitikei Growth Strategy, MOU work plans and Annual Plan			
What are they:	Targets	Progress to date	Planned for the next two months
Advocacy to support the economic interests in the District at regional and national level Timely and effective interventions that create economic stability, opportunity and growth A wide range of gainful employment opportunities in the District	Develop collaborative economic development and District promotion services across the Horizons region	Further discussion on economic development planning between the regional collaborators and further planning around the pop-up business school.	Develop further collaborative economic development opportunities and district promotion services across the Horizons region
		Economic Development focus prepared for the LTP consultation document.	Continued development of a framework to assess the responses from the LTP consultation document
	Progress solutions to water availability in area between Marton and Hunterville	Final reports from contractors; final report for MPI, public meetings in Marton and Hunterville	Determine local interest and investigate feasibility of MPI funding for the next stage.
	Review effectiveness of District promotion activities undertaken for the 2018-28 Long Term Plan.	Analysis undertaken for Councillor consideration	To be considered through LTP.
	Facilitate and lead on a Rangitikei Growth Strategy that also aligns with and contributes to a regional Agribusiness Strategy	Consideration to undertake a Economic Development Strategy to replace the Rangitikei Growth Strategy given in LTP draft	To be considered through LTP.
Attractive and vibrant towns that attract business and residents	Implement Town Centre Plans (provision of good infrastructure, well-maintained streets in the CBD of main towns) Continue to discuss the concepts around the Marton Heritage precinct, particularly with business/property owners	Continue fundraising for Bulls Community Centre - local component ongoing. Council has approved going out for tender for the Community Centre.	Continue fundraising for Bulls Community Centre: Gates Foundation, Central Government Funding, Whanganui Community Foundation. Continue developing concepts and plans for Marton - develop the compelling invitation for Boutique Town Marton
	Place-making support in Marton, Bulls, Taihape, Turakina, Hunterville	Taihape: Pricing larger plater boxes and Picnic table for Four Square Corner.	Turakina - Bus Shelter to be painted in Turakina Tartan
	Events, activities and projects to enliven the towns and District Five + high profile events and 20 community events Council sponsorship of events aiming to increase visitor numbers (compared to 2015/16)	Advertising of Community Initiatives and Event Sponsorship Schemes.	Consideration by funding committee and Community communities and boards
Up to date and relevant information for visitors and residents on a range of services, activities and attractions	Maintain and develop information centres in Marton, Taihape and Bulls and develop "libraries as community hubs" concept	Business as usual, including promotion latest material and activities and events.	Business as usual, including promotion latest material and activities and events. Regular supplies of local information being delivered to Motorhome Park in Marton.
	Contract with local organisations to provide a range of information, including: * Up-to-date calendar of events, and * Community newsletters distributed through Marton, Bulls and Taihape	Business as usual, including posting events on Rangitikei.com FaceBook, as well as on Rangitikei Libraries & Information Centres FaceBook.	Business as usual promoting local events through use of screens in Information Centres and Libraries. Promoting local events through our Social media.

An up to date, relevant and vibrant on line presence with information about services, activities and attractions, the District lifestyle, job opportunities and social media contacts	Maintain a website that provides information about Council and community services and activities	A revision of Council's current website has been done and testing is now taking place before it is rolled out by the end of May.	Enhancements to the look and readability, incorporating the new Council brand and logo, will be implemented in May. Other on line services will be investigated.
	Develop www.rangitikei.com as a dynamic and attractive web presence for the District and towns (Provide a website that is a gateway to the District, with links through to more local web pages, with information about living in the District and interactive and appropriate social media opportunities	Accommodation directory populated with business photos; photos linked directly to business websites; all business contact details now on one page. R.com contact details revised from Rangitikei Tourism to Council; all references to RT deleted. Monthly R.com Facebook promotion 'Beauty Spots Rangitikei' for 12 months to December completed. Events etc posted via social media.	Continue population of business directories and investigate options for improving presentation of premier vs club events.
Opportunities for residents to remain socially and physically active into their retirement years, to enable them to stay in the District for as long as possible	Facilitate and lead on a Positive Ageing Strategy that aims to enhance quality of life for older people in the District	Agreement by Mokai Patea Services around inclusion into their MOU workplan	To continue being clarified during the last phase of negotiating MOU agreements.
	Work with the Edale Home Trust Board to improve governance capability and financial sustainability, including approval for an interest-free loan of up to \$200,000 from Council, should Council deem that necessary	Complete. Issue resolved	No further work envisaged
Opportunities for people with children to access the quality of life they desire for their families	Maintain Taihape and Marton Youth Zones as a central coordination point for youth activities, continue to seek contributions from external sources - Develop services for young people (12-20), such as driving safety, career development pathways, Youth Voice in local decisions Achievement Scholarships fro Taihape Area School and Rangitikei College Rangitikei Youth Awards Scheme 2017 and 2018 Rangitikei Youth Forum 2017/18	Continued develop of the Lobby in Marton (Youth Zone).Assessment of Youth Zone for Taihape and development of a operational plan with prospective Taihape MOU agency. Full report elsewhere on PPL agenda	Transition of new staff for District Wide Youth Development. Continue to seek funding from external sources. Engagement with young people. Development of programme of activities. Ongoing coordination of activities and services for youth
A more equal and inclusive community where all young people are thriving, irrespective of their start in life	Coordinate a Swim-4-All programme 2017/18 Investigate and open water safety strategy	Continue to seek funding from external sources. Collating School Accountability Forms	Collating school accountability forms, and organising reimbursements. Accountability for Taihape under five swim lessons.
	Healthy Families programme: take part in Governance Group, act as local Prevention Partnership, participate in Strategy Group	Reported through another item on PPL agenda.	Healthy Families steering-group meetings to occur again in April & May, 2018
	Rangitikei College – potential to share assets	Discussions on provision of mowing services and youth services	Decision on provision of mowing services expected. Reconsideration of opportunities at Marton Swim Centre
Cohesive and resilient communities that welcome and celebrate diversity	Develop high trust contracts with agencies to undertake community development in each of the three main towns (Marton, Bulls and Taihape)	MoU's framework has been developed, and work plans reviewed. Assessed work plans for Council consideration around its strategic goals and selection of agencies to deliver in Taihape, Marton and Bulls	Finalisation of the Worklan for the partnering organisations in Taihape.
	Organise the annual Path to Well-being Conference 2017/8	No progress during this period	Reconsideration of the value of a PTWB conference in 2018
	Planning for Ratana Centennial celebrations, 2018	Presentation to Council 29 March 2018	Further consideration folowing presentaion at Ratana Community Board's June meeting (postponed from April meeting).

	Implement Heritage Strategy Development of a heritage inventory of Maori narratives and collections Development of a heritage inventory of European/ non-indigenous settler narratives and collections		Continue to support the Heritage Group and their respective projects including publishing heritage inventories. Promotion of Heritage Weekend.
	Through Treasured Natural Environment Theme Group: - Support Hautapu and Tutaenui catchment groups - Continue to produce and distribute the Theme Group newsletter	Newsletter being developed.	Newsletter to be distributed.
Funding schemes which have clear criteria, which are well publicised, and where there is a transparent selection process	Facilitate at least an annual opportunity for community organisations to apply for funding under the various grant schemes administered by the Council	Creative NZ Round 2 and Sport NZ Rural travel round have been run, and funds of \$17,400 awarded. There were 13 applicants in total, the largest amount to date.	Community Initiatives Fund opened in April, closes May. Event sponsorship fund opens in May.
	Publish the results of grant application process to a Council-run forum show-casing the results of grant application processes where successful applicants provide brief presentations and are open to questions	Inform community of this years funding schemes through Community Committees and Boards, Libraries, Town Coordinators, newspapers, website, facebook and Council forums.	Community Initiatives to be considered by relevant Committees and boards. Event Sponsorship to be considered by funding committee.
To see Council civil defence volunteers and staff at times of emergency (confidence in the activity)	Publish the results of grant application process to a Council-run forum show-casing the results of grant application processes where successful applicants provide brief presentations and are open to questions	Contract continues to remain in place .	
	Arrange regular planning and operational activities	Review of current procedures and guidance for EOC currently underway. Improvement plan conveyed to Council. MCDEM undertook EOC audit in March	Ross provided recent update to Council under admin matters. Awaiting audit results

Service Requests Breakdown March 2018 - First Reponse

Service Requests Department	Compliance Overdue	Responded in time	Responded late	Grand Total
Animal Control		86	17	103
Animal control bylaw matter		1		1
Animal welfare concern		6		6
Barking dog		10	1	11
Dog attack		1	1	2
Dog property inspection (for Good Owner status)		9	2	11
Found dog		13	3	16
General enquiry		2		2
Lost animal		9	4	13
Microchip dog			1	1
Property investigation - animal control problem		2		2
Roaming dog		16		16
Rushing dog		5	1	6
Wandering stock		12	4	16
Building Control	1			1
Property inspection	1			1
Environmental Health	10	27	4	41
Abandoned vehicle		3		3
Dead animal		1		1
Dumped rubbish - outside town boundary (road corridor only)		3	1	4
Dumped rubbish - under bridges, beaches, rivers, etc		1	1	2
Dumped rubbish - within town boundary		3		3
Livestock (not normally impounded)		1		1
Noise	10	10	2	22
Smell/smoke - refer to Horizons		1		1
Untidy/overgrown section		3		3
Vermin		1		1
Grand Total	11	113	21	145

Responded in time **78%**

Service Requests for March 2018 - Resolutions

Service Requests Department	Compliance Completed in time	Completed late	Overdue	Grand Total
Animal Control	73	30		103
Animal control bylaw matter	1			1
Animal welfare concern	6			6
Barking dog	9	2		11
Dog attack	1	1		2
Dog property inspection (for Good Owner status)	7	4		11
Found dog	12	4		16
General enquiry	2			2
Lost animal	7	6		13
Microchip dog		1		1
Property investigation - animal control problem	2			2
Roaming dog	15	1		16
Rushing dog	4	2		6
Wandering stock	7	9		16
Building Control			1	1
Property inspection			1	1
Environmental Health	22	3	17	42
Abandoned vehicle	3			3
Dead animal	1			1
Dumped rubbish - outside town boundary (road corridor only)	3	1		4
Dumped rubbish - under bridges, beaches, rivers, etc	1	1		2
Dumped rubbish - within town boundary	3			3
Livestock (not normally impounded)	1			1
Noise	5	1	16	22
Pest problem eg wasps			1	1
Smell/smoke - refer to Horizons	1			1
Untidy/overgrown section	3			3
Vermin	1			1
Grand Total	95	33	18	146

Percentage completed to in time

65%