

# Rangitikei District Council

## Ratana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 16 August 2016 – 6:30 p.m.



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**Present:** Ms Maata Kare Thompson (Chair)  
Ms Nadine Rawhiti  
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

**Apologies:** Mr Bjorn Barlien  
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

**In attendance:** Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive

## 1 Welcome/Karakia

Cr Peke-Mason provided the opening karakia.

## 2 Public Forum

Nil

## 3 Apologies

That the apology for absence from Mr B Barlien be received.

Cr Peke-Mason/Ms Rawhiti. Carried

## 4 Confirmation of order of business

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/RCB/015**                      **File Ref**

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, a presentation on broadband connectivity be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

Ms Rawhiti/Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

## 5 Chair's Report

Ms Thompson spoke about the rubbish bin on Tairawhiti St working well; commented that some drivers were using the roadside berm to avoid the speed humps and noted that concerns about bus parking causing safety issues could not be acted on as the buses were legally parked.

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/RCB/016**                      **File Ref**

That the Chair's Report to the Ratana Community Board meeting on 16 August 2016 be received.

Ms Thompson/Ms Rawhiti. Carried

## 6 Confirmation of minutes

**Resolved minute number**                      **16/RCB/017**                      **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Ratana Community Board meeting held on 5 July 2016 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms Rawhiti/Cr Peke-Mason. Carried

## **7 Council decisions on recommendations from the Committee**

There were no recommendations from the Board presented to Council's meeting on 28 July 2016.

## **8 Response to queries raised at previous meetings.**

### **Additional hump on Ratana Road**

- The Roding Operations Manager will meet with Cr Peke-Mason to determine the best location for this additional hump (and how to ensure vehicles cannot avoid it by driving on a berm).

Members noted that the best location would be on Rangitane Road near the playground

### **Options to address rubbish left outside the Waste Transfer Station**

- Council's Solid Waste Officer's view is that any deterrent (such as exterior lights) will most likely mean that the rubbish is deposited further away from the Waste Transfer Station making recovery more time-consuming and costly. Some promotion within the Paa, with a photo of the rubbish left outside, with the caption 'Is this yours?' might be a discouragement for those living in the Paa from spoiling the environment. CCTV with number plate recognition is not a viable option at this location.

Members noted that ongoing vigilance was appropriate and that it was not always members of Ratana who dumped rubbish in this manner.

## **9 Commentary on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa's meeting on 9 August 2016**

Cr Peke-Mason provided verbal report to the meeting.

## **10 Update on Housing Development**

Mr McNeil provided comment on progress with the development based on discussions he had had with the Waipu Trust's agents and Te Puni Kokiri.

## **11 Update on Water Supply Upgrade**

Mr McNeil provided a verbal update on the project.

## **12 Update on Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Mr McNeil provided a verbal update on the project.

## **13 Improvements to Ratana Playground**

Cr Peke-Mason spoke to this item, and outlined the desired improvements to the playground. More detailed plans and costings would be prepared. It was agreed that this matter should be progressed by the new Community Board, and that a community hui would be an appropriate

way of raising awareness about the project, presenting improvement plans and gaining community support to progress the project.

#### **14 Update on proposed District Plan Change**

Mr McNeil spoke to this matter, and noted that once Council had accepted the Commissioner’s recommendations that the decisions would be publicly notified and open to appeals.

#### **15 Late Item – Ultra-Fast Broadband Connectivity to Ratana**

A presentation was provided by Puawai Hagger on the opportunities presented by having fibre brought into Ratana. Members noted there was no funding source currently available, and that this was a matter for the Communal Board to consider and progress on behalf of the community.

#### **16 Next Meeting**

This was the Board’s last meeting for the Triennium.

#### **17 Whakamoemiti/Meeting Closed**

**Confirmed/Chair:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_