



Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 15 August 2017 – 6:30 p.m.

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This meeting was originally scheduled for 8 August 2017.

Present: Mr Charlie Mete
Mr Charlie Rourangi
Mr Thomas Tataurangi
Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

Also present: Ms Doreen Gardiner
Mr Jason Hihira

In Attendance: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Glenn Young, Utilities Manager

Tabled documents: Update on the Ratana Water Supply project

1 Whakamoemiti

Mr Tataurangi provided the opening Karakia.

2 Public Forum

Mr Hihira raised concerns on behalf of a local farmer near the Ratana Transfer Station about the number of plastic bags he had collected from his property. The suggestion was that these might be coming from unsecured bins at the Transfer Station. Mr McNeil advised he would pass on the information to Council's Waste Management Officer.

3 Apologies

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/049** **File Ref**

That the apologies for the absence of Maata Thompson and late arrival of His Worship the Mayor be received

Cr Peke-Mason / Mr Tataurangi. Carried

4 Members' Conflict of Interest

The Chair reminded members of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business and Late Items

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/050** **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,

- the petition to Parliament on Maori representation in local government
- the proposed upgrade/extension to the Ratana Cemetery Road
- the proposed partnership Air Force partnership with Singapore at Ohakea
- the Tourism Infrastructure Fund;

be dealt with as late items at this meeting.

Cr Peke-Mason / Mr Mete. Carried

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/051** **File Ref** **3-CB-1-1**

That the Minutes of the Ratana Community Board meeting held on 13 June 2017 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Mr Mete / Mr Tataurangi. Carried

7 Chair's report

The Chair gave a verbal report to the committee with the following highlights:

- 12 July Community Hui
- The Chair has been appointed as the community representative on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa
- The possible renaming of Ratana Road
- Vehicle speed in the Paa
- Ratana Playground Project – possible relocation
- New water supply

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/052** **File Ref**

That the Chair's verbal report at the 15 August 2017 meeting be received.

Mr Mete / Mr Rourangi. Carried

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There were no recommendations from the Board's previous meeting to Council for confirmation.

9 Council response to queries raised at previous meetings

There were no queries raised for Council at the previous meeting.

10 Update from Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

A verbal update from the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa meeting held on 8 August 2017 was given by Mr Mete:

- In the first instance the local Te Roopu Ahi Kaa member should be approached to discuss the appropriate kaumātua and kuia for the situation.
- The Komiti supported Ngati Hauiti's application to the Maori Community Development Programme for 2017/2018 and also indicated support for Ratana's likely application for 2018/2019.

11 Update on housing development

There was nothing new to report.

12 Update on water supply upgrade

Mr Young tabled an updated community newsletter and provided an update on the project. Setting a date for the open day was discussed and Saturday 4 November (10am – 12noon). An invitation to residents will be developed by Council, with the programme to be prepared by the Ratana Community Board.

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/053** **File Ref** **5-CM-1C975**

That the report on water supply upgrade to the Ratana Community Board's meeting on 8 August 2017 be received.

Mr Mete / Mr Tataurangi. Carried

13 Update on wastewater treatment plant (and meetings of reference advisory group)

Mr Young advised that the Ratana Wastewater Upgrade Project has received funding from the Government's Te Mana o Te Wai fund to enable the development of a land disposal option for treated effluent. Mr Young confirmed that the project reference group can now be convened and a suitable date will be arranged with members.

14 Future Ratana playground

The Board discussed the memorandum with the following comments:

- A community hui was held showing support of the relocation of the playground. A recommendation to the Communal Board will be made with a subsequent formal request to the Reserves Trust to make the final decision on the new location at the next meeting.
- That the current equipment be appropriately maintained in the interim.

Resolved minute number **17/RCB/054** **File Ref** **6-RF-1-23**

1. That the memorandum 'Future Ratana playground' be received.
2. That the Ratana Community Board recommends to the Ratana Communal Board of Trustees that consideration be given to an alternative location for the playground which is more central within the Paa.

Mr Mete / Mr Tataurangi. Carried

15 Update from the community hui

Mr Mete updated the Board in this matter in his Chair report.

16 Renaming part of Rātana Road

The Chair advised that this proposal will be considered at a community hui.

17 Update on burials since last meeting

Council's records show no burials since the Board's last meeting. Mr Mete has confirmed this from his records.

18 Current Infrastructure projects/upgrades and other Council activities within the ward

Mr McNeil advised the Board that both footpath upgrade proposals (Te Taitokorau and Seamer Streets) have been costed and their relative priority will be considered as part of Council's footpath programme.

19 Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017

His Worship the Mayor and Mr McNeil outlined the reasons behind the proposed bylaw.

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That the memorandum 'Draft Traffic and Parking Bylaw 2017' be received.

Cr Peke-Mason / Mr Tataurangi. Carried

20 Change to fees made under the Resource Management Act 1991 - Consultation

Mr McNeil provided an outline of the changes to the Resource Management Act which introduced a consenting process for minor non-complying activities, such as boundary set-backs. The amendment requires councils to introduce a new fee structure cover these matters, which must be publicly consulted on before they can be confirmed.

The written submission period is open until 1 September 2017. The consultation documents (including submission form) are on the Council website. Oral hearings will be held on 14 September 2017 at the Policy/Planning Committee meeting.

21 Late Items

Cr Peke-Mason provided an outline on Andrew Judd's petition to Parliament concerning the process for establishing Maori wards. This is a public process and submissions close 24 August

Mr McNeil provided an indicative layout for the extension/upgrade of the access road to the Urupa. Board members were in general agreement with the proposals.

His Worship the Mayor provided an update on discussions between the NZ and Singapore Governments on a proposal to establish a training base at Ohakea for the Singapore Air Force. It was noted that an extensive impact assessment process is underway, which should be completed by the end of the year. It was also noted that there would be a short visit in late August of a jet squadron from the Singapore Air Force.

Mr McNeil outlined the Tourism Infrastructure Fund, which was recently announced by the Government as a funding opportunity for councils to help fund infrastructure to meet the pressures associated with visitors. It was felt that the number of visitors to Ratana would meet the fund criteria, with parking, toilets and wastewater capacity being particular pressure points for the community.

22 Future Items for the Agenda

No specific items identified

23 Next Meeting

6:30 pm, Tuesday, 10 October 2017

24 Upcoming Meetings in 2017

- 12 December

25 Whakamoemiti/Meeting Closed

Mr Tautarangi provided the closing Karakia at 8.40pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: