



Rangitikei District Council

Ratana Community Board Meeting

Agenda – Tuesday 17 December 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

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1 Whakamoemiti

2 Public Forum

3 Apologies

4 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.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business and Late Items

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.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from 12 November 2019 are attached.

File ref: 3-CB-1-1

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 12 November 2019 {as amended/ without amendment} be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

7 Chair's report

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

Recommendation:

That the verbal 'Chair's report' to the 17 December 2019 meeting of the Rātana Community Board be received.

8 Standing Orders

The current Standing Orders guide is attached.

The Board will be provided with a copy of the full Standing Orders, it will be the responsibility of the Chair to make it available to any board member. Staff will also have a copy at each meeting.

An electronic version of the 2019 Standing Orders can be found here: <https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/files/general/Policies/Standing-Orders-2019-22.pdf>

9 Councils funding schemes

Council resolved in November 2018 that each committee/board nominate an assessor to assess both Community Initiatives and Event Sponsorship applications, along with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Finance Performance Committee.

Community Initiatives Fund

This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei district that develop community cohesion and community resilience. There are two rounds each year. The fund is assessed by a nominated member of each Community Committee and Community Board and the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Finance Performance Committee, who each assess the application online and then meet for formal deliberations and fund allocation.

Applications are open to groups (not individuals) whose projects show benefit in one of the following areas:

- Community service and support
- Leisure promotion
- Heritage and environment

Applications are open to local groups as well as those from outside the Rangitikei, however, clear benefit to the Rangitikei must be demonstrated. An example is a community support group for diabetes sufferers.

Grants will usually be up to a maximum of \$2,500 for any project in any one financial year.

Events Sponsorships Fund

This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth. There are two rounds each year. The fund is assessed by a nominated member of each Community Committee and Community Board and the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Finance Performance Committee, who each assess the application online and then meet for formal deliberations and fund allocation.

There are three main categories of events:

- high profile
- community
- high profile community events

Applications are open to groups (not individuals) whose events take place within the Rangitikei, and that are not funded by the Rangitikei District Council ratepayers through other means. The impact of high profile events on the local economy will be measured and reported upon.

There are two funding rounds per year. There is a maximum cap of 50% of eligible costs that can be funded.

Recommendation:

That be appointed as the Rātana Community Board grant assessor for the Community Initiatives Fund and Events Sponsorship Scheme.

10 Council decisions on recommendations from the Board

There were no recommendations made to Council at the previous meeting.

11 Update from Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

Recommendation:

That the verbal 'update on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa' Komiti meeting on 17 December 2019 be received.

12 Other matters raised at previous meeting

There were no other matters raised at the previous meeting.

13 Update on water supply upgrade

The water quality produced by the water treatment plant has now consistently improved since we made operational changes to the new plant. We have improved the water supply network by increasing the movement of water through the network to prevent unnecessary retention of water in the pipes. We are now in the process of planning work to connect all areas of the network to form a supply ring main with no areas in the network where the water will be moving less and remaining in the pipes for longer periods of time than in the rest of the network. This will improve the level of service to Rātana and improve the water quality to our customers.

14 Update on wastewater treatment plant (and meeting of reference advisory group)

There has been positive conversations between Rangitīkei District Council and a property owner in the Rātana area to discuss the possibility of making use of their parcel of land for disposal of treated wastewater. The property owner does not want to sell the land to Council, but is open to the idea of entering into a long term lease agreement with Council. We have contacted Ministry for the Environment to discuss how the change from land purchase to a long term lease will affect the approved funding, and we have not been able to agree on how this could be accommodated. We expect a final decision from the property owner early in the New Year, and hope to align this with a final position from Ministry for the Environment about the funding at the same time. If both parties agree with our proposal, we can start with the

design of the pumping main and required treatment plant upgrades. If the Ministry for the Environment do not support our proposed long term lease arrangement, we will have to reassess our position with all our project partners Rātana community, Iwi and Horizons and agree on the preferred way forward.

15 Update on Rātana playground project

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

16 Update on the proposed MoU between Council and the Rātana Communal Board of Trustees

On 4 December 2019 members of the Rātana Community Board met with the Southern Ward Councillors and Council staff. Discussion focussed on management of the cemetery and urupa, and how the area available can be increased. The first steps will be to (i) organise lidar scanning to determine what areas have not been used for burials: records of these are incomplete. The results will be presented to a later meeting of the Board and (ii) talk with adjoining landowners.

17 Town Signage

Discussion item.





18 Cemetery register alignment

Council's records show two new burials, HEMOPO Barney, row 13, plot 289, on 04 October 2019 and NGAIA Charlotte Rangirauwaka, row 15, plot 11 on 24 October 2019.

This has been confirmed.

19 Late Items

As accepted in Item 5.

20 Future Items for the Agenda

21 Next meeting

Tuesday 11 February 2020, 6.30pm

22 Whakamoemiti/Meeting Closed