



# **RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING**

Date: Tuesday, 10 August 2021

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Ture Tangata Office Ihipera-Koria Street Rātana Pa

- Present Mr Charlie Mete Mr Jamie Nepia Mr Charlie Rourangi Mrs Soraya Peke-Mason Cr Waru Panapa
- In attendance Ms Katrina Gray, Senior Strategic Planner Ms Jen Britton, Strategic Advisor – District Promotions Mr Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

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### 1 Whakamoemiti

Mr Mete opened the meeting at 6.33 pm. Mr Nepia spoke the whakamoemiti.

### 2 Apologies

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/010

That the apology for Mr Meihana be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### 3 Public Forum

Ms Hotu advised that she has never refused to provide the toilet key to anybody and was unhappy with this comment in the minutes of 18 May 2021 (item 10.3) – the Ratana Community Board agreed to amend this in the previous minutes. The Ratana Communal Board is happy to answer any questions and assist if there are any issues.

Ms Hotu was happy with the Seamer house being available for meetings, although this would need to be checked with the secretary of the Ratana Communal Board.

Cr Panapa raised the upcoming Council flat renovations that are due to take place in October. He would like to work with the Ratana Communal Board on this, as far as housing residents belongings during the renovations. Ms Hotu indicated that she was happy to work with the Ratana Community Board on this issue.

#### Resolved minute number

### 21/RCB/011

The Ratana Community Board recommends to Council that Council gives consideration to the establishment of a discretionary fund for the Boards use, similar to the Small Projects Fund but through a different rating mechanism so that the cost is not placed on Ratana ratepayers.

Mr C Mete/Cr W Panapa. Carried

# 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Nil.

### 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There are two late items for this meeting: 12.1 (Ratana Playground Group Update) and 12.2 (LTP Submission Response).

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/012

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 18 May 2021, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Amendment:

Remove the second sentence of para 1 in item 10.3, specifically the sentence; "... refusing to give out the key to visitors".

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### 7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

#### 7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings

The Board advised that line item 2 (toilet opening hours) should have referred to the Ratana **Communal** Board, not the Ratana **Community** Board. This correction was noted, although the Board advised that the item can remain closed as they will make a recommendation to Council (below).

The Board also requested an update on the proposed MOU draft between Council and the Ratana Communal Board.

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/013

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Ratana Community Board Meetings' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Mete. Carried

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/014

The Ratana Community Board recommends to Council that Council include a clause on opening hours in the upcoming contract re-negotiation with the Ratana Communal Board.

Mr C Mete/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### 8 Chair's Report

#### 8.1 Chair's Report - August 2021

Mr Mete commented on the lack of rugby facilities off-field. At a recent game, the toilets block was provided for the 'away' teams use, and the home team was forced to use private ablutions kindly offered by Ratana residents. He has talked to senior club members about this and will raise it with Council in the near future.

Mr Mete advised that the heavy rain this winter has highlighted the need of the drainage network to see some consideration by Council.

It was decided recently that the historic burial area at the Ratana cemetery would be fenced off.

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/015

That the 'Chair's Report – August 2021' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### 9 Mayoral Update

#### 9.1 Mayoral Update - July 2021

Taken as read.

#### Resolved minute number

21/RCB/016

That the Mayoral Update – July 2021 be received.

Mr C Rourangi/Mr J Nepia. Carried

### **10** Reports for Information

#### 10.1 Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti

The Board discussed the proposed option for Maori wards that the Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti endorsed at their meeting on 10 Aug 21. Ms Gray confirmed that under the proposed option (option 2), the Ratana Pa community would be included in the northern ward.

In response to a query, Cr Panapa clarified that it would be Council's decision to choose which elected member to appoint to the Ratana Community Board in the future (be it a Maori ward councillor or general ward councillor).

The Board was pleased to hear about Council's progress with attempting to secure land for the new wastewater treatment plant.

#### Resolved minute number

21/RCB/017

That the report 'Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### **11** Discussion Items

#### 11.1 Rangitīkei Beyond 2050

Ms Gray advised the Board of the project name; Pae Tawhiti Rangitīkei Beyond. It will be a wide ranging documenting that will influence and inform Council's land usage, zoning and commercial usage, etc. Ms Gray invited the Board members to provide feedback.

The Board noted that the community lacked a sports club facility. Cr Panapa advised that any future sports facility should have a Kaupapa of no alcohol.

The Board discussed the potential for the pa to be used by visitors. It would be good if the community was able to open the other side of the pa (by the old rail line) as this would help to attract visitors.

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/018

That the report 'Rangitīkei Beyond 2050' be received.

Mr C Mete/Cr W Panapa. Carried

#### **11.2 Destination Management Plan Update**

Ms Britton introduced the Destination Management Plan and asked the Board members how staff might best engage with the community on this. She will also engage with several Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti members on the plan. Ms Peke-Mason thought that the public consultation process undertaken for the Council's long-term plan was a good model to go off. Ms Britton advised that there will be an ability to submit feedback online, but she would prefer to talk to people in person.

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/019

That the verbal 'Destination Management Plan Update' be received.

Cr W Panapa/Mr J Nepia. Carried

#### **11.3** Alternative Venue for Future Meetings

Mr Rourangi will communicate with the fire brigade about possibly using the fire station as an alternative venue for future Board meetings.

The Board asked staff to consider if a shipping container might be able to be brought in to store residents belongings during the Council flat renovations in October.

#### **11.4 Frequency of Meetings**

The Board agreed to meet more regularly.

#### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/020

The Ratana Community Board agrees to alter the meeting schedule to bi-monthly, to take place on the first Tuesday of every second month, with effect from October 2021.

Mr C Mete/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

### 12 Late Items

#### 12.1 Ratana Playground Group Update

Ms Renata updated the Board on the Ratana Playground and provided a summary of received funding. The Whanganui Community Foundation granted the Ratana Playground Group \$70,000. The Four Regions Trust granted the group \$50,000. Council have previously granted \$50,000. Ms Peke-Mason congratulated the group on its progress and all of the work that its members have put in.

#### **12.2 LTP Submission Response**

Ms Gray advised the Board about Waka Kotahi's reduced funding from central government and how this had placed the funding for some roading projects into uncertainty.

#### Resolved minute number

21/RCB/021

That the late item 'LTP Submission Response' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

#### The meeting closed at 8.56 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 05 October 2021.

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Chairperson