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DISTRICT COUNCIL  
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# ORDER PAPER

## RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Tuesday, 8 February 2022

**Time:** 6.30 pm

**Venue:** Ture Tangata Office  
Ihipera-Koria Street  
Rātana Pa

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**Chair:** Mr Charlie Mete

**Deputy Chair:** Mr Jamie Nepia

**Membership:** Mr Lequan Meihana  
Mr Charlie Rourangi  
Mrs Soraya Peke-Mason (Rātana Pā)  
Cr Waru Panapa  
HWTM Andy Watson

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**Notice is hereby given that a Rātana Community Board Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Ture Tangata Office, Ihipera-Koria Street, Rātana Pa on Tuesday, 8 February 2022 at 6.30 pm.**

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### **1 Whakamoemiti**

### **2 Apologies**

### **3 Public Forum**

No public forum.

### **4 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

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**

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, [enter item number](#) be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 07 December 2021 are attached.

#### Attachments

1. Rātana Community Board Meeting - 07 December 2021

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of the Rātana Community Board meeting held on 07 December 2021, [**as amended/without amendment**], be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

# MINUTES



## **UNCONFIRMED: RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING**

**Date: Tuesday, 7 December 2021**

**Time: 6.30 pm**

**Venue: Ture Tangata Office  
Ihipera-Koria Street  
Rātana Pa**

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Present	Mr Charlie Mete Mr Jamie Nepia Mr Lequan Meihana Mr Charlie Rourangi Cr Waru Panapa HWTM Andy Watson
In attendance	Mr Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

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## 1 Whakamoemiti

Mr Mete opened the meeting at 6.31 pm. Mr Nepia spoke the whakamoemiti.

## 2 Apologies

Ms Soraya Peke-Mason is an apology.

His Worship the Mayor arrived at 6.33 pm.

## 3 Public Forum

No public forum.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Mr Meihana declared a conflict of interest with regards to item 10.1 (Road Naming: Right of Way off Rangatahi Road).

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Nil changes.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

### Resolved minute number 21/RCB/033

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 05 October 2021, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

Amendments: “whether non-residents being charged...” should be “whether non-residents should be charged *extra*”. Also change “using” to “*purchasing*”.

Mr L Meihana/Mr C Rourangi. Carried



## 7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

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

Taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/034**

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

Cr W Panapa/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

## 8 Chair's Report

### 8.1 Chair's Report - December 2021

Mr Mete noted that the gym at Ratana requires all users to be vaccinated, as it is a Council-owned facility.

Mr Mete advised that the start date for construction of the Ratana playground is 31 January 2022.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/035**

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

Mr L Meihana/Mr J Nepia. Carried

## 9 Mayoral Update

### 9.1 Mayoral Update - November 2021

The Mayor advised the Board that Turakina is marked as a hotspot for low vaccination rates (by the Whanganui DHB). This includes the Ratana pa. The Board noted that they had had a good turnout at their clinics within the pa for vaccinations, and will encourage vaccinations during the upcoming picnic weekend.

Mr Mete commended Council on the wastewater project at Waipu.

The Mayor noted that CouncilMark had commented positively on Council's relationship with iwi in the district.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/036**

That the Mayoral Update - November 2021 be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr L Meihana. Carried

## 10 Reports for Decision

### 10.1 Road Naming: Right of Way off Rangatahi Road

Mr Mete advised that he had endorsed the names of Iriaka Crescent and Juji Nakada Rise to Council staff, on behalf of the Board due to timing issues (for the Māori Roadways associated with the Rātana Pa 110 partition process). The Board was happy with this.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/037**

That the report 'Road naming: Right of Way off Rangatahi Road' be received.

Mr J Nepia/Cr W Panapa. Carried

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/038**

That the Rātana Community Board recommend to Council the Right of Way associated with RM200035 serving 6 lots along Rangatahi Road be named Meihana Place.

Mr C Mete/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

## 11 Reports for Information

### 11.1 Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti

The Board requested that their meetings for 2022 be altered to match the schedule of the Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti (second Tuesday on a bi-monthly).

No update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa was provided as Ms Peke-Mason was an apology for the meeting.

### 11.2 Discretionary Fund Update - December 2021

Taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/039**

That the Discretionary Fund Update – December 2021 be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

### 11.3 Funding Schemes Update - December 2021

The Mayor encouraged the Board to consider any events that may be suitable to apply for funding from these Council-managed grants.

The Board noted that there was confusion among both the community and Council staff regarding the distinction between the Ratana *Community* Board and Ratana *Communal* Board.

**Resolved minute number 21/RCB/040**

That the Funding Schemes Update – December 2021 be received.

Mr L Meihana/Mr C Rourangi. Carried

**12 Discussion Items**

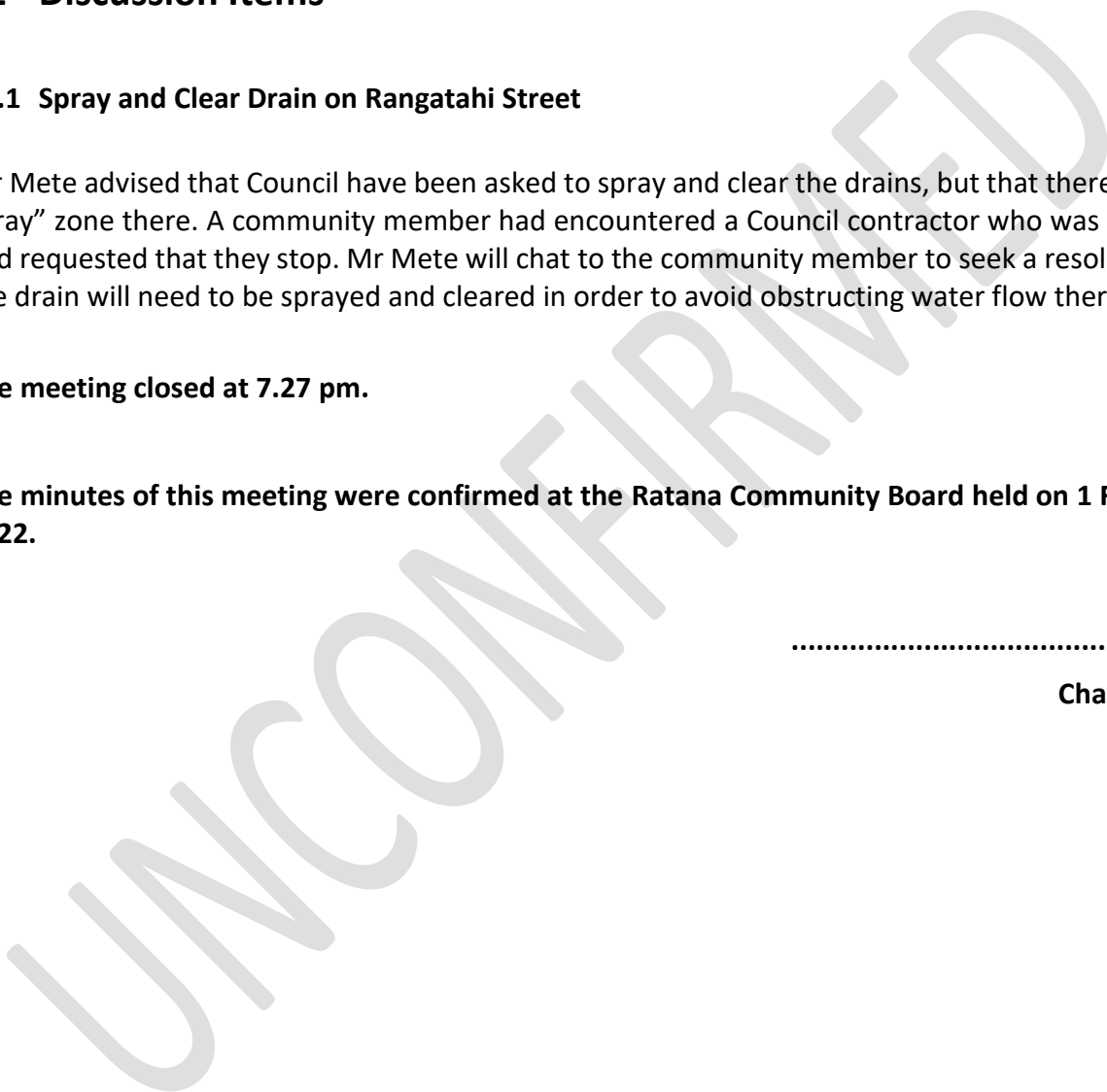
**12.1 Spray and Clear Drain on Rangatahi Street**

Mr Mete advised that Council have been asked to spray and clear the drains, but that there is a “no spray” zone there. A community member had encountered a Council contractor who was spraying and requested that they stop. Mr Mete will chat to the community member to seek a resolution, as the drain will need to be sprayed and cleared in order to avoid obstructing water flow there.

**The meeting closed at 7.27 pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 1 February 2022.**

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Chairperson



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

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

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

#### **1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Ratana Community Board meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for each follow up, and a brief status comment.

#### **2. Decision Making Process**

- 2.1 Staff have assessed the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to this item and have concluded that, as this report is for information only, the decision-making provisions do not apply.

#### **Attachments**

1. **Follow-up Actions Register**

#### **Recommendation**

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

## Current Follow-up Actions

From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
7-Dec-21	Staff to amend the meeting schedule for 2022 for the RCB. It should now be aligned with TRAK meetings (second Tuesday on a bi-monthly basis).	Ash Garstang	Schedule for 2022 amended.	Closed
5-Oct-21	With regards to the Ratana Cemetery Extension: Staff to consider providing better facilities for volunteers who dig new plots.	Arno Benadie	Suitable facilities will be investigated.	In progress
5-Oct-21	Staff to compile a list of properties at Ratana that Council administers / owns to show their status and whether any can be passed back to the Ratana community (this includes the flats, gym, sections etc)	Arno Benadie	Work in progress	In progress
10-Aug-21	<p>Staff to follow-up on funding for the roading project in Ratana, in light of Waka Kotahi's reduced funding in the LTP (LTP comments below):</p> <p><i>Seamer Street and Rangatahi Road kerb and channel installation would cost \$35,000. This was not previously planned but can be accommodated under the existing Drainage Renewals programme in Years 1-3 of the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan (still subject to approval from Waka Kotahi).</i></p> <p><b>Action</b>  <i>Seamer Street and Rangatahi Road kerb and channel installation will be completed in Years 1-3 of the 2021-2031 Long Term Plan (subject to approval from Waka Kotahi).</i></p>	Arno Benadie / Allen Geerkens	<p>Waka Kotahi have approved sufficient funding in the Drainage Renewal budget for kerb and channel to be installed at Seamer Street and Rangatahi Road.</p> <p>Programmed for construction in Feb/Mar 2022.</p>	<b>Standing Item</b> - any new progress to be advised in the Status Comments
10-Aug-21	Mr Meihana to organise a visit to the Ratana Pa for staff members.	Lequan Meihana	<p>As the previous scheduled date of 19 September 2021 was cancelled (due to Covid) a new date will be proposed once Covid levels allow.</p> <p><b>Update 26 Jan 22:</b> Due to the changes to Red in the traffic light system, a new date will need to be chosen for the visit to Ratana. Currently new staff are getting this opportunity (to visit Ratana) as part of their 'Tipi Haere Staff Tour'.</p>	In progress

10-Aug-21	The Board requested advice from staff about how the Ratana Playground Group might best manage the playground project construction.	Adina Foley	The group is managing the construction themselves but will work with RDC staff who are involved in any future maintenance to make sure the project has considered their involvement.	Closed
18-May-21	Investigate options for increased signage at the Ratana cemetery.	Lequan Meihana	<p>Alicia Hansen has confirmed that signage for the Ratana Cemetery will be on the radar to be done following 1st July when we get into our new budgets/new financial year.</p> <p>Alicia also confirmed that her team will work closely with myself and the Chair of the Ratana Community Board to get wording on the information signage up to speed.</p> <p><b>Update 26 Jan 22:</b> Alicia will continue to work with myself and the Chair of the Ratana Community Board regarding the signage at Ratana Cemetery.</p>	In progress
16-Feb-21	A meeting was held on Friday 15 January with Rangitikei District Council representatives, including the Mayor, Chief Executive, Members of the Executive Team and Lequan Meihana along with members of the Rātana Communal Board, where good progress was made on the proposed MoU. Amendments are being made to the MoU and will be presented back to the Rātana Communal Board for their feedback.	CE	<p>The MOU is currently being drafted, once its completed a draft will be provided to the Board.</p> <p><b>Update 18 Aug 21:</b> the draft MOU is still a work-in-progress. Emailed Board members and advised them - Ash G.</p> <p><b>Update 28 Sep 21:</b> any further updates will be advised at the 05 Oct Board meeting.</p>	In progress
16-Feb-21	<p>Grace Taiaroa advised that at a previous meeting there was a discussion on rates rebates. A Rangitikei District Council staff member was going to take Grace through the process so she could then assist those in the community applying for the rebate. The staff member is believed to be Graeme Pointon.</p> <p>Mr Meihana to follow up with Mr Pointon to set up a meeting with Grace Taiaroa.</p>	Lequan Meihana / Graeme Pointon	Arno Benadie and Graeme Pointon are in email discussion with Grace Taiaroa in advance of meeting in person. A meeting at Ratana is proposed in the very near future.	In progress

## **8 Chair's Report**

### **8.1 Chair's Report - February 2022**

**Author:** Charlie Mete, Chair

#### **1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 A verbal report will be provided during the meeting.

#### **Recommendation**

That the 'Chair's Report – February 2022' be received.

## 9 Mayoral Update

### 9.1 Mayoral Update - January 2022

**Author:** Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

Welcome to 2022 – I hope that everybody was able to take some time off – I certainly did, spending the best part of a week with my extended family, realising how tiring it is looking after my mokopuna. However, we are back into work mode, but before I start talking about Council matters, we have a strong Pasifika community in our District and although we don't have a huge number of people from Tonga in the Rangitikei, our thoughts certainly go out to the Tongan community. I don't think we immediately realised the extent as to what had happened but it certainly illustrates how vulnerable the Pacific and New Zealand are sitting on the ring of fire that leaves us prone to natural disasters such as earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. I note also that a sequence of tectonic earthquakes have been recorded on Mt Ruapehu during January, together with the 5.8 magnitude earthquake just east of Stratford earlier in the month and we hope this is just part and parcel of routine rumblings. It is timely to remind ourselves the importance of being prepared in an emergency event.

1. Onto Council business. We seem to have only just finished the Long Term Plan and had unqualified sign-off from Audit and now we have to start thinking about our Annual Plan and any changes of significance from our LTP position. One of the realities we face (as a consequence of Covid) is that the cost of doing work has dramatically increased especially in the area of capital work programmes. It's probably fair to say there will be a 25-30% cost increase across the board for capital works and we will need to take our time to understand those implications.
2. At the end of last year the Taihape Civic Centre, which includes the Library, was closed because of the earthquake risk to staff and the community. The Chief Executive has relocated those facilities to the old BNZ building, which has been earthquake strengthened and while not ideal, it leaves us in the position of being able to continue "normal" service to the Taihape community. The strengthening or replacement of the Taihape facility is already embedded within our Long Term Plan along with the work that still needs to be done in Marton. Councillors will need to look through all the implications of how we are able to deliver those changes over the next 2-3 years. There will be a number of business cases and public meeting consultations around these issues so at this stage it's purely a case of watch this space and get engaged when we ask under consultation.

Alongside the Council work on our Annual Plan and capital works programme is an extensive work schedule around Governmental changes. Central Government is seeking changes within the 3 Waters and I have spoken extensively on that, but is also seeking changes under a number of other areas such as the District Plan changes under the RMA Reforms, Future for Local Government review, Emergency Management Review and Climate Change Reform to name a few. It is important that Council understands what is being proposed and spends the time working on our response – if we don't do so the risk we face is a loss of our community input into what will become regional directives.



**Mayors Engagement****January 2022**

11	<p>Attended meeting with RSA re proposed vet unveiling on 5 March</p> <p>Visited family at Scotts Ferry who had suffered a recent car accident</p> <p>Attended monthly RDC/Police meeting</p> <p>Attended Online Impact Collective Leadership Team – COVID update meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
13	<p>Attended meeting with ratepayers in Taihape</p> <p>Attended meeting with Marton developer</p>
14	<p>Attended fortnightly discussion on Economic Development/Spatial Plan update</p> <p>Attended weekly Regional Leadership Group Online Meeting</p> <p>Attended meeting to discuss Financial Review</p>
17	<p>Attended breakfast meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys</p>
18	<p>Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended Trifecta (NEMA) Workshop – Governance (Local &amp; Regional Authorities)</p> <p>Attended meeting to discuss draft submission to RMA reform</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
19	<p>Attended Opening Ceremony of Marton RSA &amp; Citizens’ Memorial Hall</p> <p>Attended meeting on MRH progress</p>
20	<p>Attended Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond Advisory Group Meeting</p> <p>Attended meeting/MRH site visit with Martyn Dunne REDSO</p>
21	<p>Attended weekly Regional Leadership Group Online Meeting</p>
25	<p>Attended fortnightly Regional Transport Matters/Regional Chiefs meeting</p> <p>Attended Ratana Church 25<sup>th</sup> Ceremony</p> <p>Attended meeting on MRH progress</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
26	<p>Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended Rural Professionals Meeting Manawatu</p>
27	<p>Attended Council Meeting</p> <p>Attended Finance &amp; Performance Committee Meeting</p>
28	<p>To attend weekly Regional Leadership Group online meeting</p> <p>To attend Lake Waipu/Ratana Freshwater Improvement Fund meeting</p> <p>To attend Future of Local Government Workshop – The System of Local Governance</p>
31	<p>To attend Regional Relationship Meeting with Waka Kotahi</p>

**ITEM 9.1**

	To attend Bulls Community Committee Meeting
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**Recommendation**

That the Mayoral Update – January 2022 be received.

## 10 Reports for Information

### 10.1 Welcoming Communities Update for Community Committees & Boards - January 2022

**Author:** Aly Thompson, Welcoming Communities Coordinator

**Authoriser:** Anne McLeod, Manager - Community Development

#### 1. Reason for Report

This report provides key information to the Board about the Welcoming Communities programme, the upcoming planned work, and how community representatives may choose to participate and/or support the programme.

#### 2. Context

- 2.1 Welcoming Communities is a programme coordinated by Immigration New Zealand that “puts the welcome mat out to newcomers: recent migrants, former refugees and international students.” Rangitīkei’s situation is unique in that Welcoming Communities also extends to domestic migrants, such as our newcomers to Ohakea, the agricultural and horticultural industries, and those anticipated to work in new business developments.
- 2.2 Communities that make newcomers feel welcome are likely to enjoy better social outcomes, and stronger economic growth.
- 2.3 Rangitīkei District Council was successful in applying to join the Welcoming Communities programme in July 2021. The programme now consists of 16 Councils and 11 regions across New Zealand.
- 2.4 The Welcoming Communities Standard identifies eight outcome areas important to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment. These are:
  - Inclusive Leadership
  - Welcoming Communications
  - Equitable Access
  - Connected and Inclusive Communities
  - Economic Development, Business and Employment
  - Civic Engagement and Participation
  - Welcoming Public Spaces
  - Culture and Identity
- 2.5 Each Council prepares a Welcoming Plan that sets out the community’s planned activities, that seek to deliver on the eight outcomes.
- 2.6 Councils can also apply for formal accreditation as a Welcoming Community. Accreditation has the following four stages:
  - Stage 1 — a Committed Welcoming Community

- Stage 2 — an Established Welcoming Community
- Stage 3 — an Advanced Welcoming Community
- Stage 4 — an Excelling Welcoming Community

2.7 More information about Welcoming Communities, the Welcoming Communities Standard and accreditation can be found on Immigration New Zealand’s website.

<https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/what-we-do/welcoming-communities>

### 3. Project plan & timeline

3.1 The project plan for Rangitikei identifies outcomes and outputs over the first 12 months beginning in November 2021, resulting in the development of a Welcoming Plan.

3.2 The outcomes of the project plan are as follows:

- Achieve Stage 1 Accreditation
- Create a Welcoming Communities communication plan
- Establish a Welcoming Communities advisory group
- Complete a “stocktake” of the district
- Develop a Welcoming Plan for Rangitikei

3.3 The project plan can be viewed on Council’s website:

[https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/files/general/Other/Project-Plan-for-website\\_Welcoming-Communities-Rangitikei\\_2021-22.pdf](https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/files/general/Other/Project-Plan-for-website_Welcoming-Communities-Rangitikei_2021-22.pdf)

### 4. More information about the Welcoming Communities advisory group

4.1 The Welcoming Communities advisory group will play a critical role in guiding the Welcoming Communities Officer, supporting the stocktake process, and decision-making about the final Welcoming Plan.

4.2 Representatives from the community, including committee/board members, are invited to self-nominate to be on the advisory group. To keep numbers manageable, not every community committee and board will have a representative on the advisory group, but it is intended to have at least one representative from each town or area in the district, along with representatives of our newcomer communities.

4.3 Expressions of interest can be made here: <https://forms.office.com/r/WJ6G0bhBKd>

4.4 Due to the community-led nature and the funding arrangement of Welcoming Communities, participation on the advisory group is entirely voluntary and will not be remunerated by Council.

### 5. More information about the “stocktake”

5.1 A stocktake, in the context of Welcoming Communities, is a process that involves the wider community to identify activities that are already happening that contribute to the eight elements of the Welcoming Communities Standard, and identifies opportunities for new activities.

- 5.2 The stocktake process will engage with a broad range of stakeholders, such as new residents/migrants communities, Iwi, businesses, community service groups, new resident youth, along with council and associated committees ie: Youth Council, Community Committees/Boards.
- 5.3 That process will include consultation about what those further activities should be, and who could/should lead them. The stocktake process, and the new opportunities identified, will inform our Welcoming Plan for Rangitikei.

## 6. More information about the Welcoming Plan

- 6.1 A Welcoming Plan is a document prepared by Council, owned by the community, that sets out the intended actions as a community, over a set period, and who will lead them. The Welcoming Plan aims to deliver on the eight elements of the Welcoming Communities Standard (mentioned above).
- 6.2 Every council participating in the Welcoming Communities programme must prepare a Welcoming Plan, scheduled to be reviewed and updated in alignment with other key Council plans and documents, such as the Long-term Plan or Annual Plans.
- 6.3 Welcoming Plans from other Councils can be viewed on Immigration New Zealand's website: <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/what-we-do/welcoming-communities/resources-welcoming-communities>

## 7. Further updates about Welcoming Communities

- 7.1 Regular updates will be shared to the community committees through formal reports. Public updates will be made on Council's website and through the Welcoming Communities Rangitikei Facebook page; both linked below.
  - <https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/welcoming-communities>
  - <https://www.facebook.com/Welcoming-Communities-Rangit%C4%ABkei-102184512328959>

## Recommendation

That the report 'Welcoming Communities Update for Community Committees & Boards - January 2022' be received.

**10.2 Cemetery Update - February 2022****Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor****ITEM 10.2****1. Context**

1.1 This is a standing report that will update the Board on new burials within the Rātana Cemetery. This update covers the period 01 Dec 21 – 28 Jan 22.

**2. New Burials**

2.1 There has been one new burial:

- 17 Dec 21, Plot 303, Row 14: Waina O Te Kapu Tiriti-O-Waitangi TUNA-WAITI.

**Recommendation**

That the report 'Cemetery Update – February 2022' be received.

**10.3 Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti**

**Author:** Soraya Peke-Mason, TRAK representative

**1. Reason for Report**

1.1 Ms Soraya Peke-Mason will provide a verbal update.

**Recommendation**

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

**10.4 Discretionary Fund Update - February 2022****Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor****ITEM 10.4****1. Allocation**

- 1.1 At its meeting 05 October 2021, the Ratana Community Board asked Council to consider providing a small discretionary fund of \$500 for the 2021/22 year, for the Board's use<sup>1</sup>.
- 1.2 Council approved this request at its meeting 28 October 2021, recognising that any fund for future years would need to be considered as part of the 2022/23 Annual Plan<sup>2</sup>.
- 1.3 As is the process for the Taihape Community Board, payments from this fund will require approval, via a resolution, at a Community Board meeting. Payment will be made by Council either by invoice (Council's preference) or if an invoice is not available then by receipt for reimbursement. Council staff can work with the Board on the best process for this.

**2. Budget**

- 2.1 No payments from the fund have been made so far, so the amount of the fund is \$500. An update will be provided each Community Board meeting on the remaining balance of this fund.

**3. Future Funds**

- 3.1 The Ratana Community Board are asked to consider whether they want a discretionary fund from 2022/23; if they do then an amount needs to be proposed and this will be consulted on as part of the 2022/23 Annual Plan process.

**Recommendation**

That the 'Discretionary Fund Update – February 2022' report be received.

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<sup>1</sup> Resolution 21/RCB/031

<sup>2</sup> Resolution 21/RDC/385



## 10.5 Funding Schemes Update - February 2022

**Author:** Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

### 1. Overview

- 1.1 Council currently administers five funding schemes for the Rangitikei District:
  - a. Community Initiatives Fund
  - b. Events Sponsorship Scheme
  - c. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund
  - d. Creative Communities Scheme
  - e. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

### 2. Community Initiatives Fund

- 2.1 This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei District that develop community cohesion and community resilience.
- 2.2 Council allocates \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$11,910 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$18,090 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 2.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 24 March 2022. The Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 24 April 2022.

### 3. Events Sponsorship Scheme

- 3.1 This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth.
- 3.2 Council allocates \$50,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$11,600 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$38,400 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 3.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 06 March 2022. The Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 31 March 2022.

### 4. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

- 4.1 This is a Council fund and is the only one available for capital purchases. The Council provides up to 33% in cash of the value – in cash or in kind - of the contribution from the community for small-scale, community-led, capital projects.
- 4.2 Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next available Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

## 5. Creative Communities Scheme

- 5.1 This fund is supplied by Creative NZ and administered by Council. Applications are encouraged from community groups and individuals whose projects:
- Demonstrate growth over time
  - Develop and support local artistic communities
  - Encourage a transfer of artistic skills
  - Support diversity and inclusion
  - Projects with a youth focus are also encouraged
- 5.2 Creative NZ has allocated \$43,615.63 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$8,550 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$35,065.63 available for Round 2 (2021/22).
- 5.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 28 April 2022. The Creative NZ Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 02 June 2022.

## 6. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 6.1 This fund is supplied by Sport NZ and administered by Council. The fund is targeted at young people aged between 5 and 19 years, and is open to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams with eligible members who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.
- 6.2 Sport NZ has allocated \$9,500 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22. There is one funding round per year.
- 6.3 This funding round opened for applications 16 November 2021 and closes 18 March 2022. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee will meet to consider applications on 28 April 2022.

## 7. Further Information

- 7.1 More details about these funding opportunities can be found on the Council website (link below) and this is also where applications can be submitted:

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/community/grants-funding>

## Recommendation

That the Funding Schemes Update – February 2022 be received.

## **11 Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 12 April 2022 at 6.30 pm.

## **12 Whakamoemiti / Meeting Closed**