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# ORDER PAPER

## RĀTANA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Tuesday, 04 April 2023

**Time:** 6.30pm

**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  
HWTM Andy Watson  
Ms Grace Taiaroa

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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, 11 April 2023 at 6.30pm.**

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## **AGENDA**

### **1 Welcome / Prayer**

### **2 Apologies**

### **3 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 as a late item at this meeting.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor**

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 14 February 2023** are attached.

#### Attachments

1. **Rātana Community Board Meeting - 14 February 2023**

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 14 February 2023 [**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

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ATTACHMENT 1



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

**Date: Tuesday, 14 February 2023**

**Time: 6.30pm-8pm**

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

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**Present** Mr Charlie Mete  
Mr Jamie Nepia  
HWTM Andy Watson  
Ms Grace Taiaroa  
Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa

**In attendance** Mr Peter Beggs, Chief Executive  
Ms Melanie Bovey, Manager Library Services  
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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## 1 Welcome / Prayer

Mr Nepia opened the meeting at 6.34pm.

## 2 Apologies

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/001**

Apology received from Lequan Meihana.

Mr C Mete/HWTM A Watson. Carried

## 3 Public Forum

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Committee members asked HWTM about the rates rebate scheme and how this works if someone else is living in the property when the owner lives somewhere else and the owner is experiencing hardship. HWTM responded that council only provides the administration for the rate rebates scheme on behalf of central government. The rules set out are not able to be changed by council. If any resident is facing hardship then they should approach MSD.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

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Removal of line regarding Special Project Ladies to reflect the contracted work.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/002**

That the minutes of Rātana Community Board Meeting held on 13 December 2022 **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.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried



## 7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

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

HWTM gave an update on Tracey's absence from the last meeting. The board wish to co-opt Cr Piki Te Ora Hiora on to the committee as a representative.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/003**

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

Mr C Mete/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

## 8 Chair's Report

### 8.1 Chair's Report - February 2023

There are 40 plots open for purchase by the public with the potential for more to be added on.

The Ratana celebrations were successful with no covid restrictions in place for the first time in several years. Ms Bovey will follow up on whether a public notice for road closures was completed.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/004**

That the Chair's Report – February 2023 be received.

Ms G Taiaroa/Mr J Nepia. Carried

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/005**

That Piki Te Ora be co-opted on to the Ratana Community Board.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 CBEC Zone 3 Representative

HWTM confirmed that Council had a preference for Marcus Buddo.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/006**

That the report CBEC Zone 3 Representative be received.

#### **Recommendation**

That the Ratana Community Board support Marcus Buddo as the Zone 3 representative.

Mr C Mete/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

## 10 Reports for Information

### 10 Mayor's Report

HWTM provided a verbal update to the board.

Ratana celebrations were a huge event this year with farewelling and welcoming a new prime minister.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/007**

That the Mayor's verbal report be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

### 10.1 Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti

Meeting was cancelled because of the current weather event and therefore no update to be received.

#### Recommendation

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

### 10.2 Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project - Update

The Board hasn't received any further reports but there have been interviews with people in regards to the lake.

Horizons Regional Council will be completing the planting for this project.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/008**

That the report 'Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project – Update' be received.

Mr C Mete/HWTM A Watson. Carried

### 10.3 Cemetery Update - February 2023

Taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/009**

That the report 'Cemetery Update – February 2023' be received.

Mr C Mete/Mr J Nepia. Carried

**10.4 Funding Schemes Update - February 2023**

It was confirmed that there is no discretionary funds available for the Ratana Community Board.

**Resolved minute number 23/RCB/010**

That the Funding Schemes Update – January 2023 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Mr C Mete. Carried

**Change the date of the Ratana Community Board Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023.**

**The meeting closed at 8.06pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ratana Community Board held on 04 April 2023.**

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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: Kezia Spence, 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 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

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
	14-Feb-23	Water at the Urupa	Mel Bovey	Mel has asked for an on-site meeting to be held to discuss this, and we will be in contact to arrange a date for this.	In progress
	14-Feb-23	Ratana Celebrations and that there was a traffic management plan in place	Mel Bovey	Mel has confirmed that a Traffic Management Plan was in place for the event this year with Martin Skinner who administers the plans	Closed
	9-Aug-22	Mr Mete advised that there is a resident in the Pā who does not have a driveway. He provided the address to Mr Pokiha, who undertook to look into this.	Reuben Pokiha	Inspection of the access to 12 Ahipera-Koira has been completed and a decision has been made to carry out the remedial work and has now been put on the work programme.	In progress
	9-Aug-22	Cr Panapa requested that Council look into putting road markings outside Te Kura O Ratana to designate it as a drop-off area only (not for parking). Mr Pokiha undertook to look into this request.	Reuben Pokiha	Have now met with Principal and resolved her concerns. A plan has been put in place to have no parking painted on the road area in front of the office building.	In progress
	5-Oct-21	<p>With regards to the Ratana Cemetery Extension: Staff to consider providing better facilities for volunteers who dig new plots.</p> <p><b>Update 08 Feb 22:</b> The Board clarified that the request was for water access, for both contractors and visitors. The Board advised that they would like a water source that is aesthetically pleasing (i.e., not just a tap in a post).</p> <p><b>Update 09 Aug 22:</b> The Board asked that this be reconsidered, as the owner of the adjacent farm has given verbal approval for the existing water line on his property to be used (the water does not need to be drinkable). Ms Bovey undertook to follow-up on this request.</p>	Mel Bovey / Arno Benadie	This request is being investigated by the Parks Team who will look at potential options in conjunction with a similar request from Taihape residents for their cemetery.	In progress

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## **8 Chair's Report**

### **8.1 Chair's Report - April 2023**

**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 – April 2023 be received.

## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 Mayor's Report - March 2023

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

Tena kotou katoa

On 15 March Council adopted the Consultation Document for the proposed Annual Plan 2023/24, which is a big deal. It essentially tells the community what Council intends doing, how we will operate, what we intend to build or repair and how it will be funded, which includes rates. "Intend" is the key word because we want and need the community's opinion and we invite you all to submit and give us your view. Council looks to invest significant money into our town centre civic facilities in Taihape first, followed by Marton. This needs to happen to comply with earthquake prone legislation and to replace civic facilities that have been closed or are at risk to the community and staff. For many decades our district has invested very little in our facilities and it shows.

Funding this Annual Plan budget is challenging. The inflationary pressures on construction, roading and salaries is huge. We as a Council have tried very hard to balance the cost increases needed against the ability for our ratepayers to afford rate increases. We have settled in this draft on an average rate increase of 9.01% across the district. I stress that this is an average. Actual rates will vary and you will, through our Council website, soon be able to see what your own individual rating position will be. What we are starting to see is the benefit of growth in our district, with new houses being built and future industry wanting to be here - the costs of the district are being shared against more people, easing future rates positions. Please have your say on the Key Choices in the Consultation Document and/or any other issue.

Our Spatial Plan document is also out for consultation at the same time as the Consultation Document for the proposed Annual Plan and you will see us out in the district at community meetings over the next four weeks taking these to the public. Please join us at these meetings which will be advertised through our website and other media platforms.

Myself and Council were offered the opportunity recently to appear on the TV Breakfast Show to talk about the Spatial Plan and how we are planning for growth in the Rangitikei District. I decided that our Senior Strategic Planner, Katrina Gray should be the one who spoke on this as she is incredibly knowledgeable and has driven the project from inception. It was also a chance for us to show our appreciation for the incredible amount of work Katrina has done over the last 18 months.

Peter Beggs our Chief Executive and I attended what is known as the LGNZ "Rural and Provincial" sector meeting in Wellington recently. This is where Elected Members, Mayors and Chief Executives from rural and smaller cities meet to discuss issues relating to Government, hear from Government Ministers and where we can voice our concerns and discuss many other issues. Understandably the conversation centred around Cyclone Gabrielle and the Government's Three Waters reforms.

Cyclone Gabrielle's cost to the country is still to be fully understood, but what is absolutely clear is that the cost to communities and Councils cannot be met by council rates alone. Significant changes to how we fund the replacement of roads, bridges and infrastructure need to occur. Although it is a sensitive subject we need to understand that some roads and houses should not be rebuilt on the sites they once occupied. Many of the rural mayors and staff from affected districts were not at the

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meeting because they are too busy and focussed on immediate issues. The rest of us discussed how we can support them.

I am proud to say our Council has been fantastic. We, by way of a Council decision, have sent \$20,000 to the Tararua District Council, one of our Horizons partners. We have also sent over relief staff to man call centres and work on the ground operating drones throughout Hawkes Bay and Tararua and our communities have donated equipment, time and money in support.

To give you an insight into the damage I quote from Tararua - a small council by way of population with an enormous (2000kms) area, most of which is roading. These are their points:-

- a. "landlines have gone with communities completely isolated"
- b. "40 roads closed"
- c. "bridges gone"
- d. "communities with no road access and the land the roads were based on is now not there"
- e. "stock losses are high"
- f. "councillors are included in relief convoys because of the need for local knowledge and empathy between connected people"
- g. "it will be at least 18 months before council gets back on its feet" (later reviewed to years)
- h. "business as usual doesn't exist – there is no time for Annual Plans and audits".

You can only imagine what it is like for Central Hawkes Bay, Napier, Hastings, Gisborne and Wairoa.

This event came after local elections and many new mayors expressed concern that they had very little training or advice on their role in a Civil Defence emergency. This must be reprioritised within Elected Member training.

Stuart Crosby, the President of LGNZ, had many points to make in the Local Government address and can be summarised as follows –

1. "climate change adaption needs to be incorporated into the RMA (Resource Management Act) as lessons to be learned from the cyclone". Underlying this is for the conversation around managed retreat.
2. "with the changes in the Labour Party it is urgent that we build relationships with the Prime Minister while noting that Chippy did not have portfolios that meant a heavy engagement previously, something that also applies to the Minister of Local Government".
3. "that there is a real risk that the future of Local Government reform just becomes a document that sits on a shelf" (think of the timing of its release and elections).
4. "We as Local Government need to clearly establish our views on what should be in the manifesto for portfolio preferences for Government".
5. "The Local Government Conference in July will be important to give our views".
6. The President noted that only some cities in New Zealand, for logistical reasons, could host Local Government conferences in the future, which would indicate that these will be shared between Christchurch, Auckland, Hamilton, Invercargill etc, something which I support.

On Day 2 of the Conference the Minister Kieran McAnulty, Local Government Minister, spoke and here are his main points –



1. “I am pleased to have two portfolios – Civil Defence and Local Government – I come from this sector and understand it”.
2. He recognised there is concern around the future for Local Government reforms, that the Prime Minister has said there will be a re-set in Three Waters and he has been given the job of delivering it. The Minister said the cyclone has delayed these announcements but they are imminent.
3. The Minister talked about local authorities with large land areas and low rating bases (e.g. Rangitikei) saying “that the current funding models are not sustainable”.
4. That reform by Government is still needed and says that he has “big concerns that some councils that are difficult to upgrade (with respect to Three Waters) may not be partnered with other councils in a regional model” – this is a concern I also share.
5. The Minister said that he wants Government to be flexible around audit processes and Annual Plans for councils affected by the cyclone.
6. He spoke very highly of the Mayors’ Taskforce for Jobs which is the Mahi Tahi programme of which Rangitikei was a founding member and instigator.

Elizabeth McNaughten from a company called Hummingly spoke well on how to manage and support Elected Members – referencing the emotional and physical stress of those affected by cyclones. Elizabeth has worked in many large scale international disasters for three decades. Her presentation was well received by the majority of Elected Members and something that I got quite a lot out of. One of the key messages that she gave to Local Government and aimed specifically at Mayors is apt - “don’t make promises you can’t keep”.

The inaugural Community Volunteer Awards took place on Thursday 23 March at Te Matapihi and was well attended by over 100 people. The awards were a tangible way to recognise the many hours of incredible volunteer work undertaken by people across our district. Award recipients were as follows –

- Helen Cooper
- Joe Byford & Don Tantrum (joint award)
- Les Thurston
- Graeme Bradley
- Don Hatfull
- Felix Bell
- Danelle Whakatihi
- Barry Rankin
- Lucy Skou
- David Smith & Greg Carlyon (joint award)

Together with the Mayor’s Recognition Award, awarded posthumously to Mr John Beresford Swan Dudding for the significant financial support he has provided to the district over the last few decades. My thanks goes to council staff for organising such a fantastic evening of celebration for our district.

On Monday 21 March our Youth Council met for their inaugural meeting for this triennium. The Youth Council is under the guidance and support of Kelly and Kayla and involves students from secondary schools including Rangitikei College, Nga Tawa and Taihape Area School. The Youth Committee follows a similar process to full Council, operating under the same Standing Orders and Processes and is able to make recommendations to full Council in much the same way that our

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community committees and community boards do. This year the Youth Committee will be chaired by Paloma Janse, a Nga Tawa student. I congratulate Paloma and her committee, already they are asking searching questions on Council stances to Government direction and community initiatives.

I also congratulate the Marton Community Committee led by Carolyn Bates and the Bulls Community Committee led by their newly elected Chair Greg Smith. These two committees have taken some time this term to be put in place, but they are and will be Council's official liaison to their residents. Community engagement through these Committees and the Community Boards of Taihape and Ratana will be essential in finalising our Annual Plan this year and giving us direction for the following Long Term Plan, that we are already starting to work on.

One of the very rewarding programmes that I as Mayor am involved in is the TUIA Mentorship Programme and initiative of Local Government that all councils belong to. This involves most mayors where they select either one or two rangatahi (young maori) from their district to have a mutually beneficial mentoring relationship. This is a relationship that has benefits to me as mayor to better understand cultural and youth issues, something that I value. The rangatahi selected are also required to do 100 hours of community work of some nature in their district and attend 5 wananga or marae hui within the year. This year I have selected two rangatahi, Bridget Watson (no relation) and Matthew Coogan both from the Taihape area. I intend to introduce both to Council and Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa formally within the near future.

Last Saturday evening I attended a congratulatory event at Te Matapihi celebrating Councillor Brian Carter's Double Gold Star or 50 Years' Service to the volunteer fire brigade in Bulls. Brian is the Bulls Chief Fire Officer (CFO) and becomes the first Bulls member to have served for 50 years. This achievement is incredible. The evening included serving brigade members, representatives from other brigades and an army of national and regional FENZ representatives. My congratulations to Brian and thanks also to Evelyn his wife who has supported him over the years.



I was invited to attend a special school assembly at South Makirikiri School on 23 March to recognise the bravery of Toby Nitschke an 8 year old bus monitor. Tragically the school bus was recently involved in a fatal accident resulting in the death of the driver. Toby took charge assisting all students who were unharmed out of the bus and summoning for help. He remained in control and

gave direction under traumatic circumstances and it is due the credit and recognition he has been given. I thank the principal and the school for inviting me to the assembly.

At the time of writing this report the Harvest Festival has not yet happened and I am thrilled to see it continue, although a little nervous around being selected for the ‘dunking tank’ at the event on what could be a cold day. My congratulations and thanks to Jen and the team for all the work that goes into the event.

As part of the adoption of this report I am approving the costs for Councillor Fi Dalgety to attend an international directorship course to be held in Queenstown. As Chair of Finance / Performance Committee it is crucial that Council invests in her professional development. The opportunity will exist for other Councillors to follow a similar path in the future. As governors we are responsible for a large commercial entity something that we must get appropriate training for. I am also approving an application to Government for funding to commemorative the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Consort which will take place on 6 May 2023. This will provide for the planting somewhere within the district of at least one native tree to be recognised with an appropriate plaque.

Each month I will attach a table of Councillor attendance at Council meetings and workshops to my report. This table covers the period from October 2022 to 15 March 2023, this is Attachment 1.

## Mayors Engagement

March 2023

1	Attended a 3W Meeting with DIA Attended Annual Plan Council Workshop
2	Attended Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting Attended Oral Submission to Water Services Select Committee Attended meeting at CentrePort Wellington
4	Attended Hastings Flood relief effort
6	Attended Governance Q&A with Executive Leadership Team Attended Climate Action Joint Committee Attended Mayoral Forum Attended Scotts Ferry Committee Meeting
7	Attended Elected Member Joint Standing Committee Meeting Attended Regional Transport Committee Attended Erewhon Rural Water Supply Sub Committee Attended Weekly Meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Koitiata Residents Association meeting re Spatial Plan and Te Araroa Trail
8	Attended TUIA mentorship workshop Attended Taihape Community Board Workshop
9	Met with Vaughan Payne, 3W Entity B Chief Executive Attended Assets & Infrastructure Workshop

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	Attended Policy/Planning Committee meeting
10	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Marton Rail Hub Co-ordination Meeting Attended TUIA Wananga Mangatoatoa Marae Tokanui
11	Attended Ford Ranger NZ Rural Games
12	Attended Welcoming Communities event at La Bull
13	Attended Oral Zoom Submission to Charities Amendment Bill (Parliament) Attended Defence Issues Relevant to the Manawatu Meeting Attended meeting at Horizons Regional Council re consenting issues
14	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Bulls Community Committee Meeting
15	Attended Risk/Assurance Committee Meeting Attended Council Meeting (to adopt Annual Plan)
16	Attended CentrePort visit to Port Whanganui Attended LGNZ Leaders Zoom Attended Balance Farm Awards
17	Visited Bulls residents on 70 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary Attended Central Districts Field Days Political Panel
18	Attended Brian Carter's 50 Year Gold Star Function
19	Met with Youth Councillor Mangaweka Attended Bulls RSA AGM
20	Attended monthly meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys
21	Attended Regional Transport Matters/Regional Chiefs' Online Meeting Attended Opening of Tamata Hauha Office in Marton Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended MDG Committee Meeting
22	Attended Marton RSA AGM
23	Attended South Makirikiri School Assembly to recognise bravery of student Toby Nitschke Attended Rangitikei District Community Volunteer Awards Evening
24	Attended Public Meeting at Ohingaiti re Otara Bridge Attended meeting with Boffa Miskell Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended judging of scarecrow competition Marton
26	Attended Harvest Festival
27	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Papanui Junction School Hall
28	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive

	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Bulls Community Centre Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
29	Attended Community Volunteer Awards Debrief Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Moawhango Hall
30	Attended Finance/Performance Committee Meeting Attended Council Meeting Attended LGNZ Leaders' Zoom Attended Annual Plan/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Mataroa Community Hall
31	To attend MTFJ Core Group Meeting in Wellington To attend Annual Plan/Spatial Plan Consultation Meeting at Tutaenui Hall

**Attachments:**

1. **Elected Member Attendance - Oct 22 - March 23** [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

That the Mayor's Report – March 2023 be received.

### Elected Members

Date	Meeting	HWTM	Wilson	Calkin	Carter	Dalgety	Duncan	Hiroa	Lambert	Loudon	Maughan	Raukawa	Wong	Notes
25-Oct-22	Council (Inaugural)	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
03-Nov-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
14-Nov-22	Creative NZ Committee	PR					PR							
16-Nov-22	Audit and Risk	PR	PR	AT		PR		PR		AT	AT			
21-Nov-22	HRWS	PR							PR		AT			
23-Nov-22	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	AB	PR	PR	AB	PR	There was confusion re membership of the committee
23-Nov-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	HWTM was late due to Council business
29-Nov-22	ERWS	AP									PR		AT	
29-Nov-22	Bulls													Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
30-Nov-22	Santoft DMC	PR		PR	PR									
01-Dec-22	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
12-Dec-22	Hunterville CC	PR				PR			PR					
13-Dec-22	TRAK	PR					PR							
14-Dec-22	Taihape CB	PR					PR						PR	
14-Dec-22	Marton CC													Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
15-Dec-22	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AT			PR	PR		PR	
15-Dec-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
20-Dec-22	Ratana CB	PR	AT		AT									
26-Jan-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
01-Feb-23	Santoft DMC	PR		AT	PR									
08-Feb-23	Taihape CB	PR					PR	AT					PR	
08-Feb-23	Marton CC	CB	AB								AB			Apology from HWTM as he attended the Taihape CB
09-Feb-23	Workshop	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
09-Feb-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
13-Feb-23	Hunterville CC	AP				PR			PR					
14-Feb-23	Ratana CB	PR						PR						
16-Feb-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
22-Feb-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR				PR	PR		PR	
22-Feb-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
1-Mar-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
07-Mar-23	ERWS	PR									PR		PR	
09-Mar-23	A&I Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
09-Mar-23	P&P	PR	PR				PR	PR	PR		AP			
13-Mar-23	HRWS	AP				PR			PR					
14-Mar-23	BCC	PR		PR	PR									
15-Mar-23	R&A	PR	PR	AT		PR		AP		PR				
15-Mar-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
20-Mar-23	Youth	PR					PR						PR	

Present (and is a member of the committee)	PR
Apology	AP
Absent - no apology received	AB
Not a member of the committee	
Not a member of the committee (but still attended)	AT
Not present as on Council business	CB
Attended via Zoom [this indicator is no longer used]	ZM

## 10 Reports for Information

### 10.1 Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitīkei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan

**Author:** Katrina Gray, Senior Strategic Planner

**Authoriser:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 To inform the Rātana Community Board about community consultation on Pae Tawhiti Rangitīkei Beyond, the draft Community Spatial Plan and request the Committee's support in sharing the information and encouraging submissions.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 The population of the Rangitīkei is going to increase significantly over the next 30 years, with an additional 9,000 people projected to join our district.
- 2.2 We've created a draft plan to help us to grow sustainably, with enough land available in the right places to accommodate new homes and businesses as they put down roots in Rangitīkei.
- 2.3 This plan is based on the aspirations of our community (community engagement undertaken in early 2022), and we want to make sure that we've got it right by receiving submissions from the community during the consultation period.

#### 3. Document structure

- 3.1 The draft Community Spatial Plan document is split into three sections:
  - Part 1: Overview – contains the district-wide strategic direction.
  - Part 2: Rural, towns and settlements – contains a specific section on each of 17 towns and settlements throughout the district, including a specific section for Rātana Pā. The section for Rātana Pā sets out a draft vision, key themes, priorities under each theme and an action plan.
  - Part 3: The detail – includes the detail sitting behind the plan.

#### 4. Community consultation

- 4.1 Consultation on the draft Spatial Plan is open until 5pm Tuesday 25 April 2023.
- 4.2 A community meeting for Rātana Pā has been scheduled for **6.30pm 17 April 2023**. This community meeting will cover both the Annual Plan and spatial plan projects.
- 4.3 All documentation is available from Council's website [www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti)
- 4.4 The full section for Rātana Pā has been attached.
- 4.5 Please share this with your networks and encourage those who have feedback to fill out a submission form. Submissions can be made:
  - Online: [www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti)
  - In person: by filling out a submission form and dropping it off at any of Council's service centres, including Te Matapihi.

- Via post: by filling out a submission form, folding and free posting back to us.
- By email: [info@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:info@rangitikei.govt.nz)

4.6 For more information about the draft Community Spatial Plan, please visit our website [www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti) or contact Katrina Gray on 0800 422 522 or [katrina.gray@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:katrina.gray@rangitikei.govt.nz).

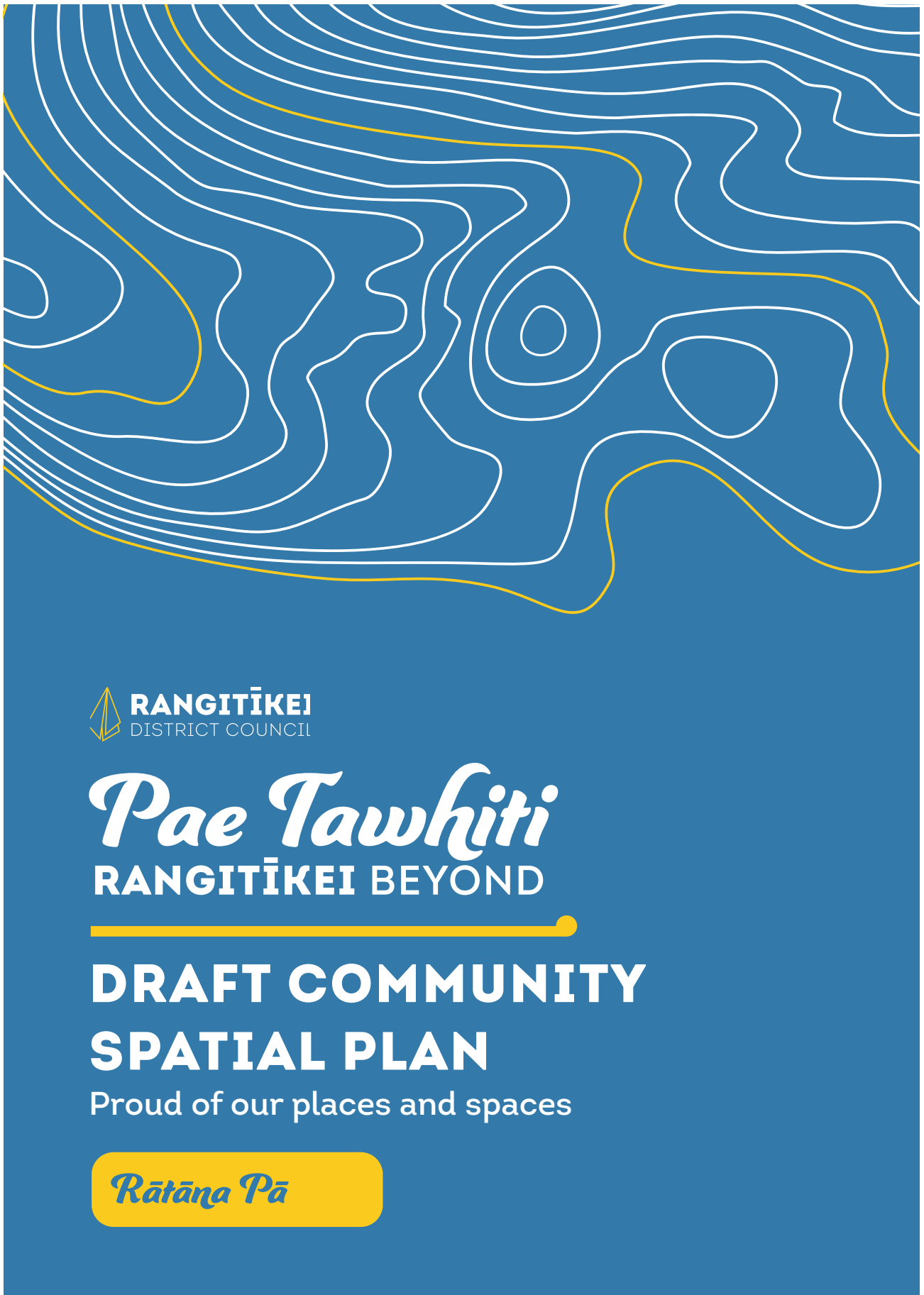
**Attachments:**


1. **Ratāna Pā Draft Community Spatial Plan Section** [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

That the report 'Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitīkei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan' be received.





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*Pae Tawhiti*  
**RANGITĪKEI BEYOND**

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SPATIAL PLAN**

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*Rātana Pā*

# RĀTANA PĀ

*Rātana Pā is one of the most recognisable villages in the Rangitikei due to the distinct architecture of public buildings and churches and annual religious gatherings.*

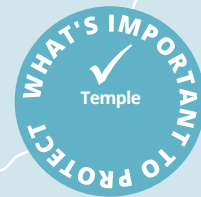
The settlement was developed in the 1920s around Tahupōtiki Wiremu Rātana who attracted people to the area for his healing and teachings.

One of the tributaries to the nearby Lake Waipu runs through the Pā.

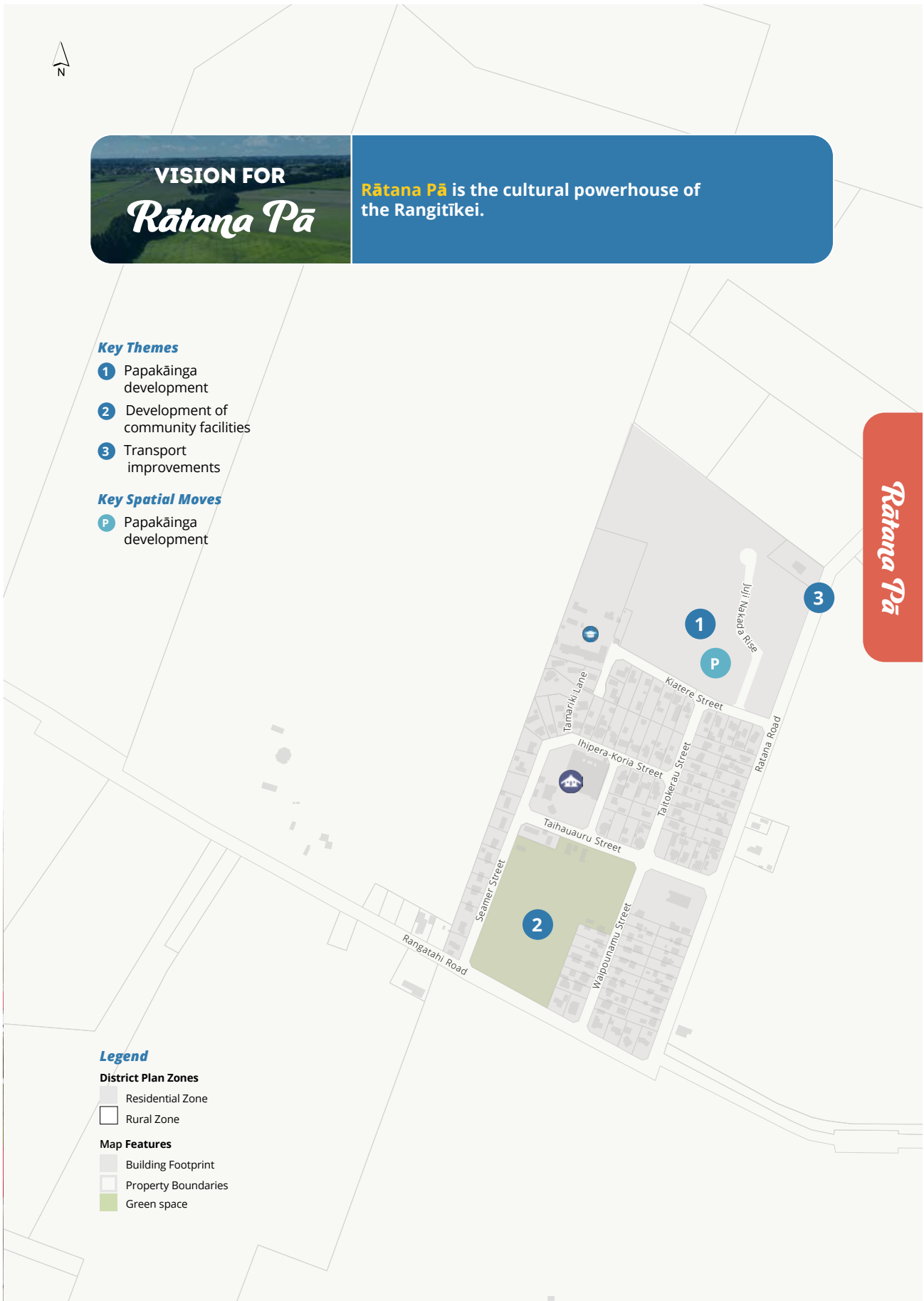
### Key community priorities

- Development of community facilities.
- Public transport options.
- Housing.

RĀTANA PĀ



Rātana Temple



Key Themes



Juji Nakada Rise - Rātana Pā

**1** Papakāinga development

There are approximately 120 whare in the village, with an additional 60 planned to the north of the village as part of a papakāinga development.

There are also nine whare being developed along Rangatahi Road. The settlement has reticulated wastewater and drinking water. Class 2, highly productive, soils surround the village. There is support for more housing being developed in the village to enable people associated with the Rātana movement to live at the Pā.

We've estimated this could require up to an additional 87 houses by 2050. An additional two hectares of land could be needed to meet this demand.

The identification of future growth areas will be led by the community.

Rātana Pā has two shops, but no commercially zoned land in the settlement. There is no demand for additional commercial activities at this stage.

	Residential	Rural Lifestyle	Total
Number of houses - per year	3 houses	0 houses	3 houses
Number of houses - by 2050	87 houses	0 houses	87 houses
Additional land required	2 hectares	0 hectares	2 hectares

**Priorities**

- > Enable the development of papakāinga at Rātana Pā.

“More houses for people that are morehu.”

Community Voice



Rātana Pā Playground - Photo: Louise Knight



Rātana Community Gym

**2** *Development of community facilities*

Rātana Pā has a local gym, IT hub and rugby field. Local community facilities such as the church, marae, toilets and accommodation are important to the community.

The community has led the redevelopment of the local playground. There are community aspirations for the development of a sports hub.

**Priorities**

- > Support the community-led development of community facilities.

**3** *Transport improvements*

The Rātana community is reliant on private vehicles. There are no public transport options available.

There is one road accessing the village, which is put under pressure during large gatherings.

**Priorities**

- > Improve public transport options to connect the with Marton, Whanganui, and Palmerston North.
- > Investigate options for creating a second access to Rātana Pā.
- > Improve active transport options.

“Toilets near the playground or coming into town.”

Community Voice



Bus stop - Rātana

“Bus for people that can’t afford transport.”

“Road access to Bagotts Rd.”

Community Voice



### Action Plan

Rangitikei Priority Area	Key Themes	Project		
Healthy Communities	PAPAKAINGA DEVELOPMENT	1	1.1	Support the development of housing
			1.2	Ensure infrastructure can cope with projected growth.
Healthy Communities Unique Communities	DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES	2	2.1	Support the community-led development of a sports hub
Connected Communities	TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENTS	3	3.1	Investigate options for the development of a second road access to Rātana Pā
			3.2	Advocate for the introduction of innovative public transport options
			3.3	Development of Active Mobility Pathways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Village to the junction with State Highway 3</li> </ul>

*The actions identified in the Action Plan are not guaranteed to be developed. Council will consider which actions are developed through long term planning processes and collaboration with implementation partners.*



Quick win <1 year | Short term 1 - 5 years | Medium term 6 - 10 years | Long term 10+

Timeframe	Council's role(s)	Project Partners and Key Stakeholders
Long Term	Strategy / Regulation Service Provider	Rātana Pā community Te Puni Kokiri Regional Council
Long Term	Service Provider	
Long Term	Supporter	Rātana Pā community
Long Term	Partner	Rātana Pā community Waka Kotahi
Ongoing	Advocate	
Long Term	Service provider	



**RĀTĀNA PĀ**

*Our objectives*

Through creating the draft Community Spatial Plan we want to achieve the following:

1. Articulate community aspirations for future land use and development.
2. Provide a blueprint of future land use and growth throughout the Rangitikei.
3. Collaborate with iwi and hapū to embed cultural values into how we plan for growth and development in the Rangitikei.
4. Guide infrastructure investment decisions and enable targeted future proofing.
5. Inform and shape the District Plan Review and Council's other plans and strategies.
6. Build confidence and identify potential for industrial, commercial, and residential development.

*The actions identified in the Action Plan are not guaranteed to be developed. Council will consider which actions are developed through long term planning processes and collaboration with implementation partners. If they are developed, these potential growth areas will need to go through a District Plan change process to rezone them for residential or rural lifestyle use.*

*To learn more about what this means please visit [www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti)*

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**Kōrero Mai**

*Share your thoughts on the future for Rātana Pā by filling out a submission form and:*

- 🏠 **Posting** to Attention:  
Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond,  
Reply Paid:172050,  
Private Bag 1102, Marton 4741
- ✉ **Emailing** us at  
[info@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:info@rangitikei.govt.nz)
- 👍 **Dropping** off at one of our  
Offices, Libraries or  
Information Centres.
- 🗨 **Attending** one of our  
community events throughout  
the District.
- 🌐 **Going online**  
[www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti)

**Have your say by 5pm  
Tuesday 25 April 2023**

*Want to learn more about our plans for the future?*

**View the full draft Community Spatial Plan document:**

- 🌐 Online at  
[www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/paetawhiti)  
(accessible at our libraries and service centres).
- 🗨 In hard copy at Te Matapihi, Bulls, the Taihape Library, Marton Library or the Marton Main Office and Hunterville Bookshop.

**Want to know more?**  
Contact the Project Lead:  
Katrina Gray on 0800 422 522 or  
[katrina.gray@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:katrina.gray@rangitikei.govt.nz)



## 10.2 Funding Schemes Update - April 2023

**Author:** Kezia Spence, 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.
- 2.3 Council approved the total spend of \$11,500 on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the Finance and Performance meeting.
- 2.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) is now open for applications and closes 2 April 2023.

### 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.
- 3.3 Council approved the total spend of \$18,222 on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the finance and performance meeting.
- 3.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) closed on the 5 March 2023.
- 3.5 Decision will be made at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 30 March 2023.

### 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

**ITEM 10.2**

- 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 typically allocates \$24,090 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis, and this is distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 5.3 Creative NZ committee met on the 14 November and allocated \$12,397.50 to applicants.
- 5.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) is now open for applications and closes 7 May 2023
- 5.5 Currently applications for the assessment panel for the creative communities scheme is open until 30 March.

**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 typically allocates \$9,500 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis. There is one funding round per year.
- 6.3 The funding round opened for applications 17 May 2022 and will close 13 April 2023. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee will meet to consider applications on 27 April 2023.

**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 – April 2023 be received.

**10.3 RDC Engagement and Consultations****Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 Attached is the most recently updated schedule for RDC Engagement and Consultations. This schedule is updated on a monthly basis, prior to going to full Council for receipt.

**2. RDC Website**

- 2.1 Council's website lists all open and recently closed consultations (see the below weblink). This is also where individuals can make submissions.

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/consultation/current-consultations>

**Attachments:**


1. RDC Engagement and Consultations Schedule - Updated March 2023 [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

That the report 'RDC Engagement and Consultations' be received.

# Engagement / Consultations - 2022/23

## RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOPIC	Staff (Lead)	Elected Member (Lead)	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond - Spatial Plan	Katrina											Public Consultation			
Future of Local Government	Peter		Stakeholder Engagement	Public Consultation											FINAL REPORT DUE
Three Waters	Arno							NEXT STEPS TO BE CONFIRMED							
RMA Reforms	Katrina								Public Consultation						
Annual Plan 2023/24	Carol												Public Consultation		
Proposed Fees & Charges 2023/24													Public Consultation		
Rates Remission Policy Amendment													Public Consultation		
Revenue and Financing Policy Amendment													Public Consultation		
Forestry Differential	Dave							Public Consultation							
Traffic and Parking Bylaw	Georgia												Public Consultation		
Local Body Elections	Carol	N/A	Local, Regional and National Campaign												
Community Committee Nominations	Carol							Public Consultation							
Business Baseline Survey	Jo		Public Engagement												
Primary Producers' Needs Assessment	Jo			Public Engagement											
Welcoming Communities Rangitikei	Rhianna		Public Engagement				Stakeholder Engagement								

**Key**

- Stakeholder Engagement (by other orgs)
- Public Consultation
- Public Consultation (by Central Government)
- Stakeholder Engagement (RDC)
- Public Engagement
- Local and national campaign - Enrolments, Standing for Council, Voting



Election Day

**10.4 Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project - Update****Author:** Adina Foley, Senior Project Manager**Authoriser:** Arno Benadie, Chief Operating Officer**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 This update has been extracted from the Project Management Office report that was provided to Council on the 30 March 2023.
- 1.2 It is provided here for the Board's information.

**Attachments:**

1. **Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment** [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

That the report 'Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Project – Update' be received.

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Lake Waipu Improvement and Ratana Wastewater Treatment</b>	
<b>Project Summary</b>	<p>This project is a collaborative effort involving local iwi, RDC, HRC and the community of Ratana, and is partly funded (46%) by Ministry for the Environment (MfE). The project is to remove treated effluent from Lake Waipu and to dispose of it to land. The project started on 1 July 2018 with an agreement with the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) and has an estimated duration of 5 years. Construction will need to be completed by December 2023.</p> <p>The scope of this project includes purchase of land for disposing of treated wastewater (instead of discharge to Lake Waipu), the installation of irrigation equipment and an upgrade of the existing Rātana Pā wastewater treatment plant.</p>	
<b>Project Lead</b>		Damien Wood
<b>Est Start Date</b>		Jul-18
<b>Est Finish Date</b>		Dec-23
<b>Health/ Safety</b>	No concerns to date	
<b>Programme</b>	Construction will need to be completed by December 2023, duration of when the resource consent will be approved are unknown and further testing details have been requested by Horizon Regional Council.	
<b>Cost</b>	Actual construction costs can only be finalised once all detail has been specified or designed and the resource consent conditions are known. The costs are expected to be more than the current estimates, however staff are evaluating all potential solutions to minimise (or eliminate) any budget overspend.	
<b>Quality</b>	No concerns to date	
<b>Top 5 Risks</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tight timeframe to complete project by December 2023.</li> <li>2. Ongoing discharge to waterway/ Lake Waipu may be grounds for public notification of the consent application (or limited notification).</li> <li>3. Unforeseen requirements/ consent conditions for RDC.</li> <li>4. The approved budgets might not be sufficient to cover the full cost of the upgrade.</li> <li>5. Funding by MfE is linked to milestones, if the project is delayed there is a chance of funding loss.</li> </ol>	
<b>Project Budget</b>		\$2,425,000.00
<b>Actual Spend to date</b>		\$880,611.12
<b>Iwi Consultation</b>	<p>Regular meetings and updates via email by the PM.</p> <p>Iwi is on board with the project and its approach and supports the irrigation to land option.</p>	
<b>Key Tasks Completed</b>	<p>Land has been found and purchased.</p> <p>Pipeline design started and negotiation with affected parties ongoing.</p> <p>Irrigation design started.</p> <p>Treatment plant upgrades defined.</p> <p>Resource consent has been lodged.</p>	
<b>Next Steps (March Update)</b>	<p>Onsite groundwater sample collection to be continued throughout the consenting period.</p> <p>Request for further information has been received from Horizons, team is preparing a response to Horizons (estimated to take 6-8 weeks) - high risk of delay in consenting process.</p> <p>Pipeline easement negotiations with landowners continue towards acquisition of easements.</p> <p>Iwi hui to be organised once the Resource Consent application has been advanced.</p> <p>Budget update report to be brought to council for decision (after consent conditions are known).</p> <p>Continue working collaboratively and closely with Horizons to progress the consent.</p>	

## 10.5 Update on Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti

**Author:** Lequan Meihana, Strategic Advisor - Mana Whenua | Kairaranga

### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 There was no meeting held in February due to the Cyclone Gabrielle and the next meeting will be held on the 11 April.
- 1.2 Mr Meihana may still provide a verbal update during the meeting.

### Recommendation

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

**10.6 Cemetery Update - April 2023**

**Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

**1. Reason for Report**

1.1 This is a standing report new burials within the Rātana Cemetery. This update covers the period 8 Feb 23-29 Mar 23.

**2. New Burials**

2.1 There was one new burial.

2.2 05 March 2023, plot of Dean Aperahama Ruke (302/ Block 1/ Row 14)

**Recommendation**

That the report 'Cemetery Update – April 2023' be received.



## 11 Discussion Items

### 11.1 Ratana Cemetery and Future Allocation of Plots

**Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this discussion item is the purchasing and future allocation of plots at the Ratana Cemetery.

#### Recommendation

That [Type Recommendation here](#)

## **12 Meeting Closed**