

ORDER PAPER

TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 16 February 2022
Time: 5.30 pm
Venue: Kokako Street Pavilion
2 Kokako Street
Taihape

Chair: Mrs Ann Abernethy
Deputy Chair: Ms Michelle Fannin
Membership: Ms Emma Abernethy
Ms Gail Larsen
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Tracey Hiroa
Cr Gill Duncan
HWTM Andy Watson

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Notice is hereby given that a Taihape Community Board Meeting of the Rangitikei District Council will be held in the Kokako Street Pavilion, 2 Kokako Street, Taihape on Wednesday, 16 February 2022 at 5.30 pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

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 Taihape Community Board meeting held on 15 December 2021 are attached.

Attachments

1. **Taihape Community Board Meeting - 15 December 2021**

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting minutes held on 15 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

ITEM 6.1

ATTACHMENT 1



RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
Making this place home.

UNCONFIRMED: TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 15 December 2021

Time: 5.30 pm

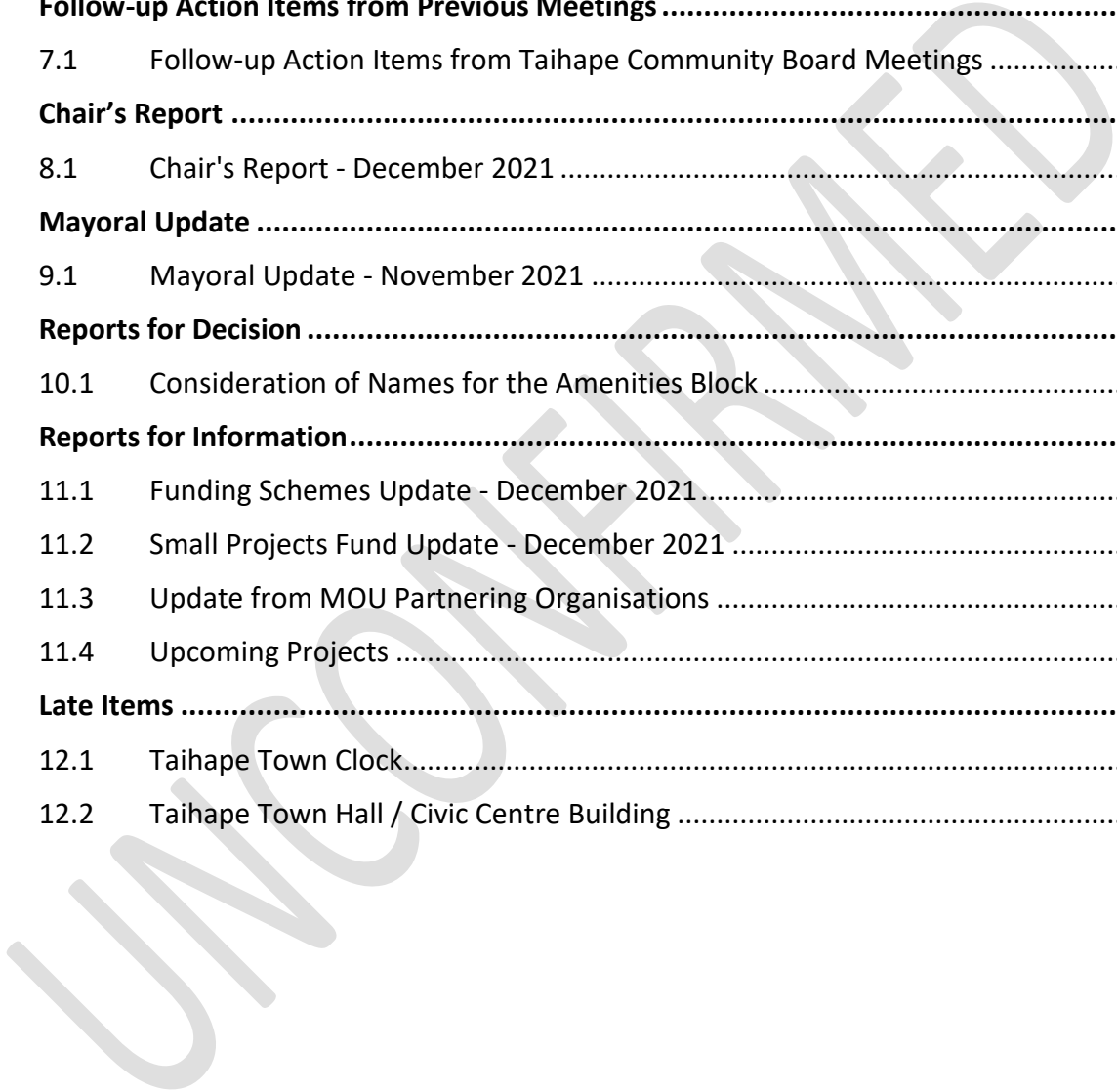
**Venue: Council Chamber
Taihape Town Hall
90 Hautapu Street
Taihape**

Present Ms Michelle Fannin
Ms Emma Abernethy
Cr Angus Gordon
Cr Tracey Hiroa
Cr Gill Duncan
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Ms Gaylene Prince, Group Manager – Community Services
Ms Dawn Hesketh, Library and Information Officer

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1 Welcome

Ms Michelle Fannin took the chair and welcomed everyone present to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/039

That the apology for Mrs Ann Abernethy be received.

Ms M Fannin/Ms E Abernethy. Carried

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/040

That the minutes of the Taihape Community Board meeting minutes held on 6 October 2021, 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.

Cr A Gordon/Ms E Abernethy. Carried

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Taihape Community Board Meetings

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/041

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

Ms E Abernethy/Ms M Fannin. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - December 2021

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/042

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

Ms E Abernethy/Cr A Gordon. Carried

9 Mayoral Update

9.1 Mayoral Update - November 2021

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/043

That the Mayoral Update - November 2021 be received.

Cr A Gordon/Cr T Hiroa. Carried

10 Reports for Decision

10.1 Consideration of Names for the Amenities Block

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/044

That the Taihape Community Board endorse the names:

- Ngā Awa Block for the whole Amenities block, with Rangitikei, Hautapu, Moawhango and Kawhatau for individual rooms.

Cr T Hiroa/Ms E Abernethy. Carried

11 Reports for Information

11.1 Funding Schemes Update - December 2021

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/045

That the Funding Schemes Update – December 2021 be received.

Ms M Fannin/Cr T Hiroa. Carried

11.2 Small Projects Fund Update - December 2021

Some accounts have not yet been received.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/046

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – December 2021' report be received.

Ms M Fannin/Cr T Hiroa. Carried

11.3 Update from MOU Partnering Organisations

No MOU update.

11.4 Upcoming Projects

Ms Fannin is to meet with the new owner of New World to discuss the proposed notice board.

Enhancement of Hautapu Street: Ms A. Abernethy is to canvas business owners from McDonalds to Bell's Diesel in Hautapu Street and also Tui Street, to ascertain interest in having planter boxes outside their premises. The Taihape Community Board are to hold a workshop on January 25th to discuss the Town Hall and Town Centre plan. The Mayor asked that the Board try to make people aware of the 'Fix it' form on the Council website, and to encourage them to use it.

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/047

That that report 'Upcoming Projects' be received.

Ms M Fannin/Cr A Gordon. Carried

12 Late Items

12.1 Taihape Town Clock

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/048

That the Taihape Community Board asks that, as the Taihape Town Clock is presently being prepared for re-painting, that the base be re-painted in the colour 'Blue Whale'.

Ms M Fannin/Cr A Gordon. Carried

12.2 Taihape Town Hall / Civic Centre Building

Resolved minute number 21/TCB/049

Taihape Community Board, in considering the recent closure of the Taihape Town Hall / Civic Centre building, asks that Council:

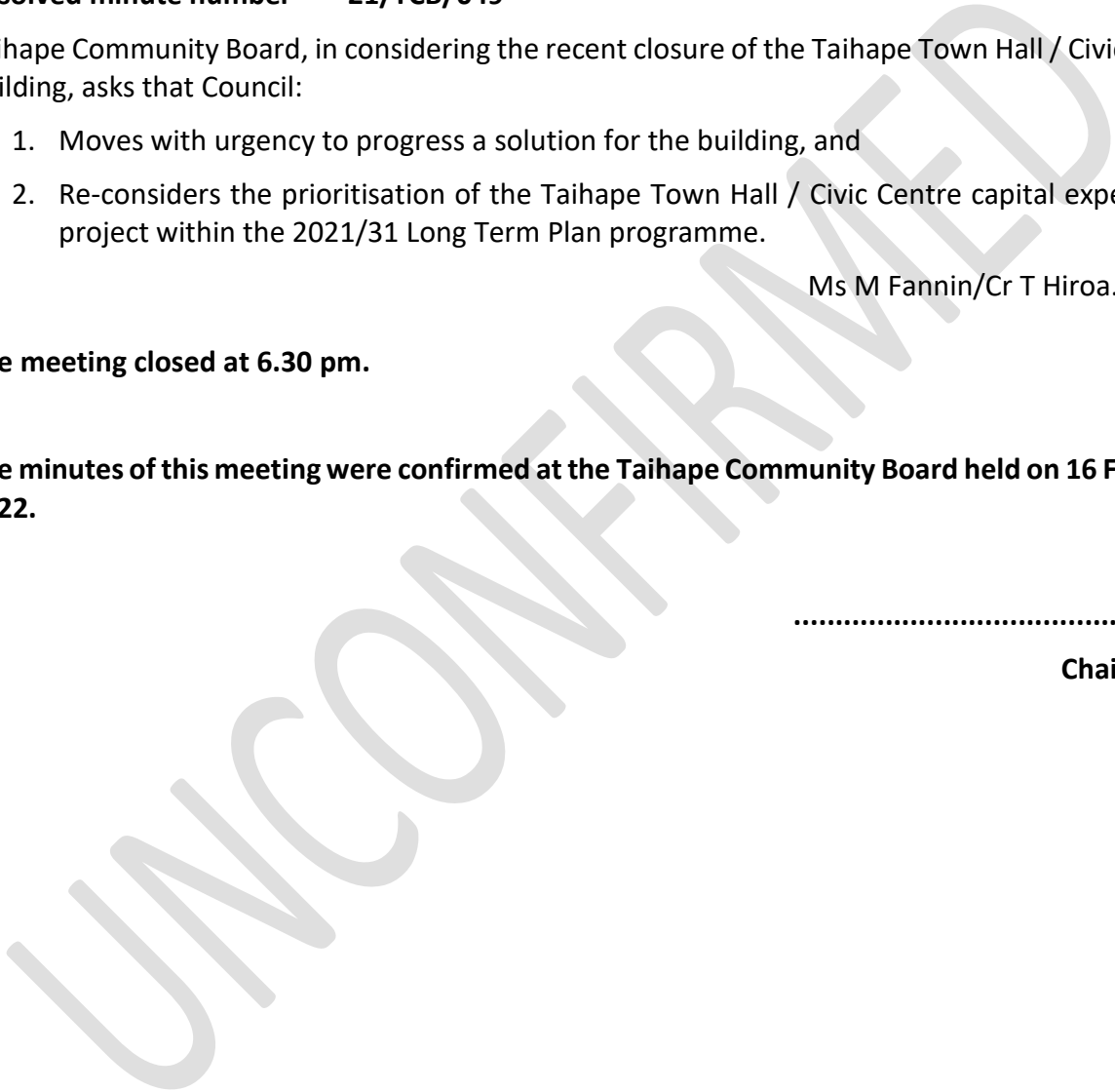
- 1. Moves with urgency to progress a solution for the building, and
- 2. Re-considers the prioritisation of the Taihape Town Hall / Civic Centre capital expenditure project within the 2021/31 Long Term Plan programme.

Ms M Fannin/Cr T Hiroa. Carried

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Taihape Community Board held on 16 February 2022.

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Chairperson



7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - February 2022

Author: Ann Abernethy, Chair

While 2022 is a new year it remains one of uncertainty and concern. Under the circumstances it is easy for negativity to creep in but let us all "play by the rules" and support each other to remain positive.

The first Workshop for the Board on Wednesday 2nd had a very full agenda with plans and projects discussed. To start on a positive note, the Board congratulates Sandra Spiers on the award of the QSM for services to first aid within the community and to the Taihape Squash Club for the award of "Club of the Year" a national award.

The Board continues to work on existing projects and plan ahead--at the Dog Park there has been tightening of wires, extra boarding and improvement to the entrance. The Park was well used over the holiday period and users that I spoke with commented that they have made Taihape their stopping place of choice because of the Park and that is what we like to hear.

Unfortunately, not everyone appreciates what is provided and it is disappointing to see vandalism occurring. The Board has arranged for this to be rectified. We are awaiting a quote from a local firm to provide concrete pads under the picnic tables at Quickstop corner to avoid the constant moving of these for mowing.

A report from Murray Phillips informed us of progress he has made towards making our community a more interesting and attractive place to visit plus I have had a long and productive meeting with TCDT discussing shared projects, plans and concerns. A shared concern is the speed of motorists approaching pedestrian crossings now that school is back. We would like to alert RDC to this and ask for advice on the possibility of speed bumps.

The beautification of our main street will be a shared project together with the issue of empty shops. I have spoken with some shop owners on this. The monthly publication by TCDT of the small "newspaper _ Talk up Taihape or TUT" enables the Board to communicate with our wider community.

The issue on which the Community Board will be asking for input from all community members is the future of our Town Hall. This is an important issue for our town and district and clear lines of communication are vital. The Board asks that it be kept fully informed on this issue. As you will be aware we have already asked RDC to prioritise the discussion and to be fully inclusive of our community.

Stay safe

Nga mihi

Ann Abernethy (Chair)

Recommendation

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

8 Mayoral Update

8.1 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****ITEM 8.1**

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 & 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 & 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 25th 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 & 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>

	To attend Bulls Community Committee Meeting
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Recommendation

That the Mayoral Update – January 2022 be received.

ITEM 8.1

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action

Author: Kezia Spence, Executive Assistant- Group Managers

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

ITEM 9.1

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the committee regarding issues relating to climate change in the Rangitīkei District and prioritise the issues that impact, and are most relevant, within our local communities.
- 1.2 Consideration of local priorities is an important step towards the development of a collective response.

2. Project Overview

- 2.1 The Manawatū - Whanganui Climate Change Risk Assessment (MW CCRA) was commissioned by Horizons Regional Council and the outcome provided was an assessment of climate related risks for the region. The risk assessment did not specify what individual or collective priorities should be so we are seeking feedback from our communities on what they think these are. These priorities will differ across communities and groups, at different scales. The feedback provided from this committee will help develop a regional climate action plan for consideration by the Climate Action Joint Committee (which is made up of elected members from councils across our region).

3. Discussion Questions

- 3.1 Staff will be present to provide further information and to ask for feedback.
- 3.2 It would be useful for Committee members to think about the following questions prior to the meeting:
 - What climate issues is your community or yourself, currently facing, or what might be a significant issue in the future?
 - What impacts will climate change have on your community or yourself?

Recommendation

That the report 'Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action' be received.

9.2 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

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.

9.3 Update from MOU Partnering Organisations

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

ITEM 9.3

1. Reason for Report

1.1 Verbal updates will be provided from MOU partnering organisations.

Recommendation

That the verbal updates from 'MOU partnering organisations' be received.

9.4 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.

9.5 Small Projects Fund Update - February 2022

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

1. Allocation

- 1.1 The yearly allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Taihape Community Board is \$5,379.00.
- 1.2 The yearly allocation aligns with the financial year, from 01 July to 30 June. In February 2016 Council resolved to allow a carry-forward from one financial year to the next, of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee or Board's Small Projects Fund¹, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution from the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 24 June 2021, Council resolved to carry-forward 100% of the annual allocation from the 2020/21 year (\$5,379.00) to the 2021/22 year².
- 1.4 The total allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Taihape Community Board is now \$10,758.00.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 No grants have been made so far in 2021/22.

3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2021/22 financial year of **\$10,758.00**.

Recommendation

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

¹ 16/FPE/010

² 21/RDC/191

10 TCB Other Projects

10.1 Closure of the Taihape Town Hall

Author: **Ann Abernethy, Chair**

ITEM 10.1

1. Context

- 1.1 The Taihape Community has expressed concern at the closure of what is really the “Civic Heart” for the community. While understanding and accepting the reasons behind the closure it is apparent that this has a negative impact on urban and rural residents together with visitors and travellers, encompassing as it does the Information Centre, Administration offices, Public Toilets plus other facilities. The Town Hall and Library facility is an old and iconic building in Taihape. While temporary facilities have been found, given the importance of the Town Hall as Taihape’s Council (RDC) Service Centre the Taihape Community Board sees a critical need to re-instate its function.

Recommendation 1

That the report ‘Closure of the Taihape Town Hall’ be received.

Recommendation 2

That Council urgently prioritise reinstating our Town Hall facility.

10.2 Cleaning Contract / Rubbish Collection

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1. Context

- 1.1 I note that the cleaning contract for the township and main street was discussed at both the April 2021 meeting and the June 2021 meetings. However, concern has again been expressed at the build-up of debris and rubbish particularly in the main street. This is not only unsightly but may cause blockages in both gutters and gratings. When these have been overlooked flooding has resulted following rainfall.

Recommendation 1

That the report 'Cleaning Contract / Rubbish Collection' be received.

Recommendation 2

The Community Board requests Council to ensure all contractors and others are aware of their obligations to maintain the cleanliness of our streets.

11 Next Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 20 April 2022 at 5.30 pm.

12 Meeting Closed