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Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Meeting

**Tuesday 9 June 2015,
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Councillor Cath Ash

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, (ex officio)

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Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

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1 Karakia/Welcome

2 Public forum

3 Apologies/leave of absence

4 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Korero/Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 14 April 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

5 Chair's report

A verbal report will be given at the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's report to the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting on 9 June 2015 be received.

6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

There were no recommendations from the Komiti presented to Council's meeting on 30 April 2015.

7 Update from Council (April/May 2015)

An update of Council's decisions at its April and May 2015 meetings is attached for the Komiti's information.

File ref: 3-CT-8-1

Recommendation

That the report 'Update from Council (April/May 2015)' be received.

8 Maori Community Development Programme – update

A letter from Te Runanga o Ngati Hautiti addressed to the Komiti was received on 20 April 2015. This is attached for the Komiti's information.

9 Update on landlocked land and issues regarding the review of the Te Ture Whenua Maori Act

A verbal update will be provided to the meeting.

10 Outcome of meeting of the Sub-Committee

The notes of the sub-committee meeting held on 26 May 2015 are attached. The PowerPoint presentation made by Mr Pahia Turia at the Path to Well-Being Conference 2014 is included as a separate item to Komiti members only.

Recommendations

- 1 That the notes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Sub-Committee meeting held on 26 May 2015 be received.
- 2 That the proposed next steps[as amended] identified in the notes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Sub-Committee meeting held on 26 May 2015 be agreed to, and progress updates are brought to subsequent meetings of the Komiti.

11 Events associated with Waitangi Day

At the February 2015 meeting discussion was held around Council's commitment to fund events associated with Waitangi Day and Matariki – this had occurred under the pilot Maori Community Development programme by Otaihape Māori Komiti (now Mokai Pātea Services). The Komiti agreed that this be a topic for the next meeting.

Council is currently looking at the detail of funding an Events Strategy. Part of the rationale for this strategy is to enable Te Ao Maori events on the regular calendar.

12 Update on the Path to Well-Being Initiative – June 2015

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-8-1

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being Initiative – June 2015' be received.

13 Late items

14 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 11 August 2015, 10.00 am

Venue TBC.

15 Karakia

Attachment 1



Rangitikei District Council

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 14 April 2015 – 11:12 a.m.

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Present: Mr Pahia Turia (Chair)
Ms Barbara Ball
Mr Hone Albert
Ms Thomas Curtis
Mr Chris Shenton
Mr Richard Steedman
His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
Cr Cath Ash

Also present: Cr Soraya Peke-Mason

In attendance Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
Ms Denise Servante, Senior Policy Analyst
Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

Tabled documents: **Item 15** Late Item (Review of Heritage Protection Strategy)

1 Karakia/Welcome

Mr R Steedman performed the opening karakia for the meeting.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, thanking Ngāti Whitikaupeka for hosting it and welcoming John Grant and Hannah O'Donnell, from Te Puni Kokiri, to the meeting.

2 Public forum

Nil

3 Apologies/leave of absence

That the apologies for absence from Mr M Gray, Mr P Richardson, Ms H Benevides, Ms K Hina and Cr Rainey be received.

Mr T Curtis / Mr R Steedman. Carried

4 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Korero/Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number	15/IWI/007	File Ref
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That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 10 February 2015 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms B Ball / Cr Ash. Carried

5 Chair's report

The Chair gave a brief verbal report to the Committee, acknowledging the presence of Councillors and noting the meeting between His Worship the Mayor, Mr R Steedman and Hon. Chris Finlayson (Associate Minister for Māori Development and for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations).

The Chair informed the Komiti that Ngāti Apa would be hosting the next Iwi Leaders Forum at the Whangaehu marae, 6-8 May 2015.

Resolved minute number	15/IWI/008	File Ref
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That the Chair's report to the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting on 14 April 2015 be received.

Mr P Turia / Mr R Steedman. Carried

6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

The Komiti noted that recommendation **15/IWI/004** was confirmed by Council at its meeting on 26 February 2015.

7 Update from Council (February/March 2015)

Mr McNeil spoke briefly to the items within the memorandum.

There was some discussion about Council's response to a request to use alternative methods to chemical sprays to control plant pests. The Chair observed that tangata whenua should be concerned about environmental impacts.

Clarification was sought on the management of (and payment for) access to water in the context of the recent strategic water assessment conducted by Council with funding support from the Ministry for Primary Industries. Horizons Regional Council set the limits for the quantity of water which could be extracted; the main cost, however, was in reticulation. The Iwi Leaders Forum is currently looking into this issue.

In noting that the Council would shortly be meeting with representatives of the Rangitikei Guardians on progress with the application from Meridian to extend the lapsing date of the resource consent for Project Central Wind, the Komiti asked that Council meet with Ngāti Tamakopiri and Ngāti Whitikaupeka since they had been involved with the original Meridian Energy resource consent for Project Central Wind, on the progress with the extension application. The Chief Executive undertook that, through Barbara Ball.

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That the report 'Update from Council (February/March 2015)' be received.

Mr P Turia / Mr C Shenton. Carried

8 Māori Community Development Programme – update

Ms Servante provided a verbal update to the Komiti, informing them that reports on the programme will be provided in August and February for their information.

Mr Curtis thanked Council for its support.

Mr P Turia left the room 11.51 am / 11.52 am

9 Update on landlocked land and issues regarding the review of the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act

John Grant, from Te Puni Kokiri, spoke to the Komiti on the issue of landlocked land and the proposed reforms to the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act, acknowledging the historical interest of members of Ngāti Tamakopiri and Ngāti Whitikaupeka.

TPKs understanding of the issue of landlocked land, taken from Waitangi Tribunal reports, was Māori freehold land or land owned by Maori that became general land under the Maori Affairs Amendment Act 1967 with 'no reasonable access to it'. Reasonable access is further defined as 'physical access of the nature and quality that may be reasonably necessary to enable the occupier for the time being of the landlocked land to use and enjoy that land'.

TPK recognises the impact of unsympathetic adjacent landowners in opening up landlocked land and that there are various categories of solutions dependent upon those adjacent landowners (e.g. public or private land, other Māori freehold landowners). In some instances there were informal arrangements which enabled the adjoining owners to take advantage of the situation (e.g. through non-market rate leases of the landlocked land).

A review of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act by an expert panel has led to a complete review of the Act. Proposed changes relating to landlocked land include:

- The Māori Land Court would be given rights and jurisdiction under the landlocked land provisions of Property Law Act (including land that ceased to be Māori land under the 1967 amendment but is still in Māori ownership);
- A new dispute resolution service would be established in which the tikanga of the relevant hapu would predominate, with the objective of avoiding the judicial dispute process which tended to damage relationships;
- A new purpose will be established to “Empower and assist owners of Māori land to retain their land for what they determine is its optimum utilisation”;
- Principles of the new legislation will be
 - Tikanga Māori guides matters involving Māori land,
 - Māori land endures as taonga tuku iho by virtue of whakapapa, and
 - Owners of Māori land have a right to develop their land and take advantage of opportunities to develop their land.
- New provisions would be related to purpose and principles, so the powers under the Property Law Act would need to be applied so as to achieve the relevant purpose and principle(s). New provisions include:
 - Limiting the requirement for the court to have regard to the nature and quality of the access (if any) to the landlocked land at the time when the applicant purchased or otherwise acquired the land so that Māori land owners are not disadvantaged simply because a block has always been landlocked;
 - Requiring the court to have regard to the relationship that the owners of Māori land have with the land and with any water, sites, wāhi tapu, wāhi tūpuna, or other taonga associated with the land, and to the culture and traditions of the owners with respect to their land;
 - Enabling all appeals to be heard by the Maori Appellate Court rather than the High Court
- Matters for further consideration include:
 - The extent to which the court and/or local authorities could be given powers to appropriate land to provide access to landlocked parcels and what

safeguards might be required to ensure such powers were constitutionally appropriate and reasonable in the circumstances;

- More research is needed since much evidence is currently anecdotal;
- Resources are needed to help unlock land, such as valuers, lawyers, compensatory payments, fences, roads etc.

Mr Grant informed the Komiti that the government views this issue as important and wants to take time to get the solution right. Minister Te Ururoa Flavell is leading on the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act review with Hon. Christopher Finlayson leading on the landlocked land issue. An exposure draft of the new Bill is likely to be available from the end of May for comment prior to being introduced in Parliament in October. Select Committee work will provide a further opportunity for amendments and the legislation is likely to be passed next year.

Minister Finlayson had expressed an interest in visiting the District to see the issue of landlocked land first-hand, and every effort will be made to organise this. Mr Grant also suggested that a meeting be organised with His Worship the Mayor and any Komiti members interested to further discuss the detail of the proposed reforms to the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act.

The Chair thanked Mr Grant for the update provided to the Komiti.

Mr H Albert left the room 12.21 pm / 12.26 pm

10 Fostering collaboration between Iwi and the Council

The Komiti agreed to set up a sub-committee to discuss the finer details of collaboration between Iwi and the Council, and report back to the next meeting. This sub-committee would consist of: Mr P Turia, Mr R Steedman, Mr C Shenton, Mr H Albert, His Worship the Mayor, Cr Ash and Cr Peke-Mason.

11 Taihape Town Centre Planning – Future Development of Memorial Park

The sub-committee set up to discuss collaboration between Iwi and the Council would also discuss the future development of Memorial Park in Taihape, and report back to the next meeting.

12 Events associated with Waitangi Day

The Komiti noted that this topic would form an item for the next meeting.

13 Update on the Path to Well-Being Initiative – April 2015

This item was deferred until the next meeting.

14 “What’s the Plan Rangitikei” – the consultation document on the 2015/25 Long Term Plan

His Worship the Mayor narrated a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan and the consultation document “What’s the Plan Rangitikei...?”

Cr Ash left the room 12.58 pm / 1.03 pm

Mr R Steedman left the room 12.58 pm / 1.00 pm

Mr P Turia left the room 12.59 pm / 1.02 pm

Cr Peke-Mason left the room 1.06 pm / 1.09 pm

15 Late items

Review of Heritage Protection Strategy

A memorandum was tabled at the meeting. The Komiti agreed that the sub-committee set up to discuss collaboration between Iwi and the Council would also discuss the review of the Heritage Protection Strategy, and report back to the next meeting.

16 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 9 June 2015, 10.00 am

17 Karakia – 1.29 pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: _____

Attachment 2



MEMORANDUM

TO: Te Roopu Ahi Kaa

FROM: Samantha Whitcombe

DATE: 26 May 2015

SUBJECT: **Update from Council's Meetings in April and May 2015**

FILE: 3-CT-8-1

1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report is to provide the Komiti with an update on issues that have been under consideration by Council over the past two months.

2 Town centre plan update

Taihape

- 2.1 A draft Memorandum of Understanding has been prepared and circulated to all user groups for Taihape Memorial Park, including the Taihape Area School, Clubs Taihape, Taihape Community Development Trust and Sport Whanganui Regional Sports Trust. The broad outcomes include (but are not limited to):
- optimised use of indoor and outdoor facilities at Memorial Park and Taihape Area School for competition games, training and development;
 - use of Memorial Park and Taihape Area School for larger scale events;
 - closer links between Council, clubs and the School; and
 - better use of sports facilities within Memorial Park and the wider precinct (including the School).
- 2.2 The Taihape Town Centre Steering Group has folded back in to the Taihape Community Board. As in Bulls, local youth are working on a mural and public art project, linked to the Town Centre Plans place making initiatives. These are expected to be completed by the end of June.

Hunternville

- 2.3 The Hunternville Town Centre Plan Steering Group is due to begin the second phase of their work in Queens Park, although timing is weather dependent; this will involve repairing the fence surrounding the park and will include repairs to the wooden

bridge leading into the playground area. Work on the bridge will only begin once Council engineers have assessed and advised on the bridge's structural integrity.

Marton

- 2.4 The Marton TCP Steering Group has been working with the Anglican Church Committee to provide a safe pathway through the existing tree line connecting the Church's grounds with Broadway and Marton Park. Once details have been finalised with the Anglican Church committee, the project is expected to get underway during the first weekend in June. The existing track through the tree line will be transformed into a shell rock and concrete pathway that is safer, more pedestrian friendly and provides better access to Broadway Street, Centennial Park and the local shops.
- 2.5 The Steering Group will approach Rotary, Lions and the Jaycees to see if they are interested in working collaboratively with the Steering Group on this project and future place-making initiatives in the town.

Bulls

- 2.6 The Bulls Town Centre Steering Group has folded back in to the Bulls Community Committee. As in Taihape, local youth are working on a mural and public art project, linked to the Town Centre Plans place making initiatives. These are expected to be completed by the end of June.
- 2.7 The highlight from the month is, of course, the announcement that Council's joint venture partners have purchased the Criterion Hotel. This means that the preferred site for the proposed new Bulls Community Centre is now secure.

3 Marton Railway Station – subway neglect

- 3.1 At its meeting on 26 February 2015, Council authorised the Chief Executive to undertake negotiations with KiwiRail for the initial clean-up and on-going maintenance of the subway in Marton.
- 3.2 A proposed deed of grant from KiwiRail has been received. It is a standard format (and has a standard fee, representing the costs in administering such grants). KiwiRail confirmed that it had let work out to contractors on upgrading the subway and the lighting, at a cost of \$24,000 (thus accepting a condition put by Council to KiwiRail), and that it was happy for the subway to remain open to the public so long as the Council enters into a deed of grant for its ongoing maintenance.
- 3.3 Entering into the deed of grant will entail looking after the entry into the subway from the railway station but KiwiRail is receptive to entering into a similar arrangement for the Marton railway station. Further advice will come from KiwiRail on this.

4 Project Central Wind

- 4.1 At its meeting on 14 May 2015, Council considered the application from meridian Energy to extend the lapse date for the consents issued for Project Central Wind for a further five years, i.e. to 24 May 2020. The application was declined.
- 4.2 Meridian lodged an objection to Council's decision. This is being considered at Council's meeting on 28 May 2014. Prior to this there was an opportunity to meet with representatives of Ngāti Whitikaupeka and Ngāti Tamakopiri. Meridian subsequently spoke to these iwi and also the chair of Ngāti Rangi.

5 Te Mana o te Wai Fund

- 5.1 This Fund, administered by the Ministry for the Environment, is to provide funding to enable Maori to improve the water quality of lakes, rivers, streams, estuaries, lagoons etc. by:
- supporting iwi/hapū to play an active part in improving the water quality of their local freshwater bodies,
 - enabling iwi/hapū to actively participate in managing their local freshwater bodies,
 - developing partnerships and working in collaboration with others, and
 - assisting iwi/hapū and the wider community to recognise the importance of fresh water in supporting a healthy ecosystem, including supporting human health.
- 5.2 Two applications have been made for the Rangitikei, relating to the wastewater discharges at Bulls and Ratana. Ngati Apa is leading on the first and assisting with the second.

6 Improving broadband connectivity and mobile coverage in the Rangitikei

- 6.1 At its meeting on 9 April 2015, the Assets/Infrastructure Committee was advised that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) has asked local government to get involved in identifying the next priorities for Ultra-fast Broadband, the Rural Broadband Initiative and the Mobile Black Spots Fund. Work has started on a bid for better connectivity in the Rangitikei.
- 6.2 Wanganui District Council is coordinating a response across Horizons region to identify local priorities for Ultra-fast Broadband, the Rural Broadband Initiative and the Mobile Black Spots Fund.
- 6.3 Although the process established by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) is competitive, the local government sector is taking a collaborative approach. The local coordination is in line with the national approach, typified by the Rural Connectivity Symposium to be held in Wellington on 28 May 2015.

7 Frae Ona Park - Marton

- 7.1 At its meeting of 14 May 2015, Council endorsed the proposed installation of the duck sculpture in Frae Ona Park, Marton.
- 7.2 In accordance with Council's Policy for the procurement and management of public artwork, information about the proposal was provide to the Marton Community Committee and Ngati Apa, and publicised in the Rangitikei Bulletin. The Marton Community Committee passed a resolution in support. As no other feedback has been received, Council staff will continue to liaise with Mrs Rippon over finalising the design and installation over the sculpture.

8 Roading Contract C980

- 8.1 Rangitikei collaborated with Manawatu and Horowhenua District Councils is offering a joint tender approach to road maintenance contracts across the three districts. The outcome has recently been announced, with Higgins being awarded the contract for all three districts, effective from 1 July 2015.

9 2015-2025 Long Term Plan

- 9.1 The oral hearings to submissions to "What's the Plan Rangitikei...?" and the associated documents were held on 7 and 8 May 2015. 29 individuals/groups spoke to Council over the two days.
- 9.2 Deliberations on submissions were held on 14 May 2015. On 28 May 2015, Council will review the final draft 2015-2025 Long Term Plan to be provided to Audit, with the final 2015-2025 Long Term Plan being adopted at the Council meeting on 25 June 2015.

10 Recommendation

- 10.1 That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in April and May 2015' be received.

Samantha Whitcombe
Governance Administrator

Attachment 3



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To the iwi delegates of Te Rōpū Ahi Kā,

On behalf of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the Council, for your support with our application for funding under the Council's Maori Community Development Project plan.

Our Memorandum of Understanding with the Council requires us to:

- a) Increase broader engagement and awareness with whānau, of their Ngāti Hauiti identity, through communication and cultural affirmation strategies that will develop skills and confidence (giving people the tools they need for effective community action).
- b) Strengthen the engagement between the Iwi and Council as a major step towards the development of our community.

The funding will contribute to this develop and will assist Ngati Hauiti to achieve the objectives set out in the Memorandum of Understanding.

We look forward to updating you further, as to how the project is progressing, during the months ahead.

Yours sincerely

Neville Lomax



Chair/Convenor
Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti

Attachment 4



Rangitikei District Council

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Sub Committee Meeting

Notes – Tuesday 26 May 2015 – 10:00 a.m.

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Present:	Mr Pahia Turia (Chair)
	Mr Chris Shenton
	Mayor Andy Watson
	Cr Cath Ash
	Cr Soraya Peke-Mason
	Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
	Ms Denise Servante, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
	Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst/Planner

1 Fostering collaboration between iwi and Council

Points noted:

- This was about a process to achieve collaboration. Whether it was iwi representation on committees or Komiti deputations to Council, it needed to be meaningful.
- Relationships between iwi and Council in Rangitikei are good both at governance and operational levels. We are certainly at the front of the pack!
- For iwi the basis needs to be good relationships – with no surprises policy, rather than being involved in every decision made at Council or its Committees.
- However, the process needs to be systemic and not rely only on the high quality relationships that currently exist.
- Ongoing capacity issues within pre-settlement iwi which affects ability of iwi to engage even at Te Roopu Ahi Kaa level. Capacity in Te Roopu Ahi Kaa may improve over next 5 years as post settlement era kicks in. Council cannot get involved directly with this but can support Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to be relevant to future aspirations of iwi/hapu. BUT agenda needs to be driven by members of the Komiti.
- For example, economic development is a focus for this Council – how can we involve tangata whenua in this in a meaningful way?
- Meetings between Ward Councillors and their local iwi may help Ward Councillors to understand and fulfil their representational role for tangata whenua interests at the Council table, as for any other representational duties that they fulfil. Potentially could aim for/stipulate two meetings per year with Mayoral drive and support.
- BUT important not seen as “another interest group” or box to be ticked.
- Not a formal representation at Council committees but if an iwi interest is alerted and iwi representatives request, then speaking rights at committee could be/should be given.
- Good induction process for new Councillors/Mayor following triennial elections – district-wide and also at a ward level

Next steps:

- Share notes from the sub-committee at Te Roopu Ahi Kaa – Council staff
- Have same discussion at Council – Council staff
- Arrange a tour for Councillors of what Ngati Apa is involved with - Pahia Turia will investigate within the Runanga
- Extend this to a tour of local models/mechanisms to unlock the productive potential of the land – the Mayor to discuss with Council senior management team

2 Heritage Strategy

Previous strategy focussed on built heritage and mainly the post-colonial built heritage.

Plan to extend to three broad sections:

- Sites of significance
- Natural heritage
- Historical people, places, events

Agreed to include:

Protection of sites through District Plan – keep doing this and maintain the list of waahi tapu sites as up to date as possible – bearing in mind confidentiality issues.

Natural heritage through District Plan and also via the Treasured Natural Environment Theme Group.

Historical people, places and events

- Work of Rangitikei Heritage focussed around the settler museums and supporting these voluntary groups to care for and display their collections. This needs to continue.
- However, there is a need to build a resource that gathers and compiles stories about the places, events, people of the District from its earliest times (pre-colonial settlement).
- For example,
 - Telling the whole story of the Rangitikei,
 - Joint naming of the places in the District,
 - Brochures/dvd at info centres etc.
- Support whānau to maintain and share their tāonga and stories.
- For example, to build relationship with farmers who have waahi tapu sites on their farms.

Next steps:

Include tangata whenua perspective in foreword – Chris Shenton/Katrina Gray to draft.

Identify key actions required to showcase our rich Māori heritage.

Distribute powerpoint presentation given by Pahia Turia during his keynote speech to Rangitikei Path to Well-being conference in December 2014 to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa (appendix 1).

3 Taihape Hub/Town Centre Plan/Memorial Park

Refer to initial meeting between Mayor/Ward Councillors and Mokai Patea Services

Attachment 5



Rangitikei
UNAPOIGLY...

MEMORANDUM

TO: Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti

FROM: Samantha Whitcombe

DATE: 27 May 2015

SUBJECT: **Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative – June 2015**

FILE: 1-CO-4

1 Background

- 1.1 The aim of this memorandum is to provide the Komiti with an update on the actions and progress of the Path to Well-Being Initiative.

2 Healthy Families

- 2.1 The Ministry of Health selected Whanganui DHB area as a pilot for the new Zealand version of a health promoting project from Victoria in Australia. The contract has been awarded to Te Oranganui Iwi Health Authority to roll out the programme across Whanganui, Rangitikei and Ruapehu. The programme is in its early stages but the District Council is represented at a governance level for the project.

3 Marton Community Charter

- 3.1 The Marton Community Charter Board meeting has now met twice with multi-agency representation growing. The Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Education and New Zealand Police have confirmed their membership to sit alongside Council, Te Runanga o Ngati Apa and Whanganui DHB to look at aligning the complex mix of service provision within southern Rangitikei with the needs and demands of the local community.

4 Rangitikei Growth Strategy

- 4.1 The Buoyant Economy Theme Group has met twice and is aiming to oversee the implementation of the emerging Rangitikei Growth Strategy. This is likely to develop into a number of sub-groups focussing on different aspects of the local economy, including agribusiness, education sector development and District promotion. The Strategy also identified unlocking Maori landlocked land as of key importance and suggests that the Komiti maintains its oversight of progress in this area.

5 Rangitikei Heritage

- 5.1 The Komiti will be mindful of the discussion at its sub-committee meeting held on 26 May regarding developing heritage Strategy to be more inclusive of the bicultural heritage of our District. Progress will be reported upon to future Komiti meetings.

6 Recommendation

- 6.1 That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative June 2015' be received.

Samantha Whitcombe
Governance Administrator