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# Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Meeting

## Tuesday 19 April 2016, 10.00 am

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#### Membership

**Chair** Mr P Turia (Whangaehu),

**Deputy Chair** Ms B Ball (Ngāti Whitikaupeka)

Mr M Gray (Ngāti Rangituhia), Mr P Richardson (Ngāti Parewahawaha), Mr T Curtis (Te Runanga o Ngāti Hauiti), Mr H Albert (Ngā Ariki Turakina), Mr P Maraku (Rātana Community), Mr C Shenton (Ngāti Kauae/Tauira), Mr T Steedman (Ngāti Hinemanu/Ngāti Paki), Ms H Benevides (Ngāti Tamakopiri), Mr R Steedman (Ngai te Ohuake), Ms K Hina (Ngā Wairiki Ki Uta.) Councillor Cath Ash His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, (ex officio)

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#### The quorum for the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa is 6.

At its meeting of 28 October 2010, Council resolved that "The quorum at any meeting of a standing committee or sub-committee of the Council (including Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, the Community Committees, the Reserve Management Committees and the Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committees) is that required for a meeting of the local authority in SO 2.4.3 and 3.4.3.

#### 1 Karakia/Welcome

#### 2 Public forum

#### 3 Apologies

#### 4 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Korero/Confirmation of Minutes

#### Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 9 February 2016 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.

#### 6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

There were no recommendations from the Komiti to Council's meeting of 29 February 2016.

# 7 'What's new, what's changed...?' –Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan

His Worship the Mayor will provide a presentation and lead the discussion. Copies of the Consultation Document will be tabled at the meeting.

#### 8 Other simultaneous consultations:

- proposed 2016/17 Schedule of Fees and Charges
- proposed amendments to the dog control policy and associated bylaw
- review of class 4 Gambling venue policy

The Summary of Information documents for these three proposals are attached. The detailed proposals, including submission forms, are on the Council website. They are open for consultation at the same time as for 'What's new, What's changed...?'

#### 9 Update from Council (December 2015-January 2016)

A memorandum is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-8-1

#### Recommendation

That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in February and March 2016' be received.

#### 10 Update on landlocked land

A verbal update will be given at the meeting.

#### **11** Potential Youth Awards Scheme 2016

A report is attached.

File ref: 3-CT-8-1

#### Recommendation

That the report 'Potential Youth Awards Scheme 2016' be received.

#### **12** Citizenship ceremony – Komiti involvement

To be discussed at the meeting.

A report on this topic considered in 2007 by the Kāpiti District Council is attached.<sup>1</sup>

#### 13 Induction process for new Council following 2016 elections

To be discussed at the meeting.

#### 14 Update on proposed changes to Local Government (Rating) 2002 Act

There have been no further developments with this proposal. It will be a consequential amendment made in the Te Ture Whenua Māori Bill (which has yet to be introduced into the Parliament).

#### 15 Update on the Path to Well-being Initiative

A memorandum is attached

File ref: 1-CO-4

#### Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March/April 2016' be received.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> While water-marked 'confidential' this report is now discoverable through Google

# 16 Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation – part one: water quality

A letter is attached.

#### Recommendation

That the letter 'Evaluating Horizons' One Plan implementation — part one: water quality' be received.

#### 17 Late items

#### 18 Next meeting

Tuesday 14 June 2016, 10.00 am

#### 19 Meeting closed/Karakia

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### **Rangitikei District Council**

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

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#### Present:

Mr Pahia Turia (Chair) Ms Barbara Ball Ms Hari Benevides Mr Katarina Hina Mr Peter Richardson Mr Pai Maraku

In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager Ms Denise Servante, Strategy & Community Planning Manager Ms Katrina Gray, Policy Analyst/Planner Ms Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator

#### 1 Karakia/Welcome

Mr Peter Richardson performed the opening Karakia for the meeting, before the Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **Public forum** 2

None

#### 3 Apologies

That the apologies for absence from His Worship the Mayor, Cr Ash, Mr R Steedman, Mr C Shenton, Mr T Steedman, and Mr M Gray, and the apology for lateness from Mr T Curtis be received.

Ms B Ball/Ms K Hina. Carried

#### Chair's report 4

The Chair provided a verbal report to the Komiti, touching on the following subjects:

- The review of the Te Turi Whenua Maori Act and the recent hui held in Whanganui.
- Update on the Regional Growth Study. 0
- Opposition to the TPPA (Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement). 6
- The success of the Ratana Celebrations held in January.

Mr Curtis arrived 10.17 am

16/IWI/001 **Resolved minute number File Ref** 

That the Chair's report to the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting on 9 February 2016 be received.

Mr P Turia/ Mr P Richardson. Carried

#### 5 Confirmation of minutes

Ms Hina requested an amendment to page 10 of the Minutes of the previous meeting, replacing 'Whangaehu' with 'Kauangaroa' in the last sentence of the third paragraph.

#### **Resolved minute number** 16/IWI/002 **File Ref**

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 8 December 2015, as amended, be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms H Benevides/ Ms K Hina. Carried

#### 6 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

The Komiti acknowledged that there were no decisions on recommendations presented to Council's December 2015 or January 2016 meetings.

#### 7 Update from Council (December 2015 - January 2016)

Mr Hodder spoke briefly to the report, highlighting the long-term mitigation for flood-prone areas in the District and funding for youth services in the Rangitikei items. Ms Hina noted recent discussions with the Mayor and the Chief Executive, advising that they would be visiting the marae the coming weekend.

#### Resolved minute number 16/IWI/003 File Ref 3-CT-8-1

That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in December 2015 and January 2016' be received.

Mr P Turia/Ms K Hina. Carried

#### 8 Update on landlocked land

Mr Hodder provided a brief update to the Komiti on Council's progress with finding a solution to the issue of Maori landlocked land within the District. His Worship the Mayor is awaiting a meeting with Minister Flavell to further his discussions with Central Government on this issue.

#### 10 Update on Path to Wellbeing Initiative – February 2016

Ms Servante spoke to the memorandum, highlighting the continued funding of the youth services in the Rangitikei until the end of February 2016 and providing additional background information on the Healthy Families initiative.

The Chair noted that regional initiatives for social services had been evident for a while, and that they had all encountered the difficulty of relating to the large number of small communities within the region.

Resolved minute number16/IWI/004File Ref3-CT-8-1

That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative – February 2016' be received.

Ms B Ball/Mr T Curtis. Carried

#### 9 **Proposed District Plan Changes**

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the memorandum, providing the Komiti with background information on why Council is initiating a Plan Change and highlighting the specific parts of the District Plan that are part of the change.

The Chair commended the Council in trying to remove unnecessary barriers.

Resolved minute number 16/IWI/005 File Ref 2-PL-2

That the memorandum 'Proposed District Plan Changes' be received.

Ms B Ball/Mr T Curtis. Carried

#### **11** Central register of Commitments

The Komiti noted the establishment of a Central Register of Commitments and the benefit that local lwi could see from this register.

#### 12 Māori Legal, Business and Governance Forum

#### Resolved minute number 16/IWI/006 File Ref

That Mr Thomas Curtis attends the 2016 Maori Legal, Business and Governance Forum on behalf of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti, and provide a report back to the Komiti on the forum to a future meeting.

Mr P Turia/Ms H Benevides. Carried

# 13 Addressing the Komiti's strategic needs (as prelude to consideration of options for Maori community development programme in 2016/17 and 2017/18 and facilitating Maori engagement in economic development)

Ms Servante spoke to the tabled discussion document providing some background to the Komiti on how the document came about and where the information it contains came from.

Members present favoured a hui potentially including all Komiti members and the respective runanga.

Ms Servante and Mr Turia undertook to provide the Komiti members with a series of dates for a meeting with representatives of the various lwi/Hapu groups and Maori organisations within the District.

#### Resolved minute number 16/IWI/007 File Ref

That the tabled discussion document Addressing the Komiti's strategic needs (as prelude to

consideration of options for Maori community development programme in 2016/17 and 2017/18 and facilitating Maori engagement in economic development) be received.

Ms K Hina / Mr P Richardson. Carried

#### 14 Consultation - draft Heritage Strategy

Ms Gray spoke briefly to the item. Mr Maraku noted his strong support for this initiative. Understanding tribal history was an important part of strengthening relationships.

#### **15 Consultation – draft Treasury Policies**

The Komiti noted that the consultation material is available on Council's website.

#### 16 Late items

Citizenship Ceremony – The Mayor had asked whether the Komiti would like to be involved in the ceremony. The Komiti was keen, asked to be informed of future dates and for the matter to be added to the next meeting agenda to allow a discussion about the nature of that involvement.

Induction process for the new Council following the October 2013 elections – The Mayor was interested to know the Komiti's views on its preferred involvement. The Komiti asked for this to be added to a future agenda to formalise a process for induction – both for Council and new Komiti members.

The recently announced proposed changes to the Rating Act (regarding Maori land) would be a matter for the next meeting.

Rangitikei Heritage – the recent visit to Taihape's former abattoir, freezing works and Winiata marae was considered a useful precedent for similar visits elsewhere in the District.

Update on ultrafast Broadband in the Rangitikei – action plan in progress.

#### 17 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 19 April 2015, 10.00 am

#### 18 Karakia – 12.06pm

Mr Richardson performed the closing Karakia for the meeting.

#### **Confirmed/Chair:**

Date:

# Attachment 2



### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES, 2016/17

#### Reason for the Proposal

The fees and charges set by the Council follow from the revenue and financing policy (part of the 2015/25 Long Term Plan). This policy expresses Council's view about how various services are to be funded, particularly the balance between the share to be funded by ratepayers (because there is advantage to everyone in having the service available and used) and the share to be funded by those making use of it (because the benefit from the service is primarily, or wholly, enjoyed by such people). In determining this balance, Council has regard for thinking in other councils, especially our neighbours.

All fees in 2016-2017 have been raised by 1.9%, the inflation factor used in setting Council's budgets for 2016/17. This inflation factor is different from cost-of-living adjustments, because there are significant elements in Council's expenditure whose costs have risen more sharply – particularly materials to support maintenance of roads and infrastructure. The Schedule shows the proposed fees alongside the 2015/16 fees.

The actual fees from applying this factor have been rounded to the nearest dollar except for solid waste fees which are rounded to the nearest 10c.

Some fees are set by regulation and thus are not changed during this review.

The notable changes are:

- Setting similar fees for use of all Council parks,
- Reducing fees for hall hire and being more flexible over short-term hire (with the objective of attracting greater use) and allowing discounts to non-profit community groups,,
- Altering library photocopying, faxing and scanning fees to reflect actual cost more accurately,
- Providing for the applicable charges under the Food Act 2014,
- Simplifying the fee structure for dog registration, and
- Introducing a volumetric fee structure for wastewater.

Discussions are in progress with the Ombudsman's office regarding the basis for charging for Land Information Memoranda.

Fees and charges for parks relate to exclusive use only. They have been set to encourage regular use by local sports clubs and organisations, and other non-profit community users.

Adjustment to rents in Council's community housing must be made in accordance with the requirements of section 24 of the Residential Tenancies Act 1986. Typically this means that a change to rents for existing tenants will not occur for two months after Council adopts the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the coming year.

#### **More Information**

#### Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

The Statement of Proposal (i.e. the full proposed Schedule of fees and charges, 2016/17) is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

#### Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Proposed Schedule of fees and charges may be made from **4 April to 12** noon **6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Those who make a written submission may also choose to make an oral submission. Hearings of oral submissions are scheduled for **16 May 2016** at the Council Chambers in Marton. Please indicate on your submission form if you wish to speak to your submission.



### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

DRAFT DOG CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITY POLICY AND CONTROL OF DOGS BYLAW

#### Reason for the Proposal

A recent review of Rangitikei District Council's processes to meet its obligations under the Dog Control Act 1996 suggested that Council could tighten some of the provisions of its dog control policy to support the Animal Control Team in carrying out their duties under the Act. Whilst no change to the provisions in the Control of Dogs Bylaw is warranted, the opportunity is taken to make some minor wording changes.

#### Legislative Requirements

Under the Dog Control Act 1996, every council **must** have a dog control policy and **may** have a dog control bylaw. When a dog control bylaw is reviewed, the Act requires a council's dog control policy to be reviewed at the same time. In consulting on a proposed new dog control policy and bylaw, the Local Government Act 2002 requires the use of the Special Consultative Procedure.

#### What changes have been made?

The amendments suggested to the Dog Control and Owner Responsibility Policy relate primarily to enabling a discretionary power to neuter menacing dogs (rather than a mandatory one) and the introduction of a property inspection regime which ensures properties are regularly inspected prior to a menacing dog classification. In addition, the Policy's definition of "good owners" has been revised to better align with the Dog Control Act 1996. The Control of Dogs Bylaw has received minor wording changes to better align with the Local Government Act 2002.

#### Commencement

The proposed commencement date for the revised Dog Control and Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw is 20 days after the amendments to the Policy and Bylaw are adopted by Council and publicly notified following this period of consultation.

#### **More Information**

#### Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

The Statement of Proposal contains the reasons for the proposal, and copies of the draft Policy and Bylaw. The Statement of Proposal is prepared in accordance with section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002. It is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

#### Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Draft Dog Control and Responsibility Policy and Control of Dogs Bylaw policies may be made from **4 April to 12 noon 6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

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### SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

DRAFT GAMBLING VENUE (CLASS 4) AND TAB VENUE POLICIES

#### Reason for the Proposal

The Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue polices are statutory policies required under S 103(5) of the Gambling Act 2003, and S 65(e) of the Racing Act 2003 (respectively). Under these Acts, Council is required to review these policies at least every three years. In determining its policies, the territorial authority must have regard to the social impact of gambling with the district.

#### Legislative requirements

This review is required under the under S 103(5) of the Gambling Act 2003, and S 65(e) of the Racing Act 2003.

#### **Options considered**

Council currently permits the establishment of new Class 4 venues in the District. New venues may apply for a licence to operate up to 9 gaming machines, providing that the total number of gaming machines in the District does not exceed 83. As part of the Gambling Venue Cclass 4) policy review, Council considered whether to continue to allow the establishment of new Class 4 venues and whether to retain the current cap on gaming machines at 83, or whether to increase or decrease the maximum number of gaming machines permitted in the District.

Similarly, there are currently no standalone TAB venues in the District and Council's policy does not permit new venues to be established. During the review, Council considered whether it should permit new standalone TAB venues to be established.

#### What changes have been made?

Council agreed not to make any changes to its existing Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue Policies since the Social Impact Assessment provided little evidence of widespread or growing harm in the District from problem gambling. However, Council recognises that the community may have more information about the specific, local harm caused by problem gambling and it welcomes written and oral submissions from the public on this matter.

#### **More Information**

#### Where to get a copy of the Statement of Proposal

The Statement of Proposal contains the reasons for the proposal, copies of the draft policies, and the social impact assessment of gambling within the district. The Statement of Proposal is prepared in accordance with section 86 of the Local Government Act 2002. It is available for inspection at Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. Copies are also available from the above locations, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a copy be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

#### Period for Consultation

Written submissions on the Draft Gambling Venue (Class 4) and TAB Venue policies may be made from **4 April to 12 noon 6 May 2016**. Submission forms are available from Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, from the Council's Main Office in Marton, from the Council's website <u>www.rangitikei.govt.nz</u> or you may request a form be posted to you by calling 0800 422 522.

Those who make a written submission may also choose to make an oral submission. Hearings of oral submissions are scheduled for **16 May 2014** at the Council Chambers in Marton. Please indicate on your submission form if you wish to speak to your submission.

# Attachment 3



### MEMORANDUM

TO:	Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti
FROM:	Samantha Whitcombe, Governance Administrator
DATE:	5 April 2016
SUBJECT:	Update from Council's meetings in February and March 2016
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 Update on town centre plans (including place-making initiatives)

- 2.1 7-Day Makeovers took place in Bulls and Marton in early February. Both makeovers were managed by Creative Communities International. The reports for each event will be circulated to the Bulls and Marton Community Committees for information during April.
- 2.2 Since the Makeovers, the Mayor held a public meeting in Marton to correct misinformation on the cost of the Marton event that had been circulated through social media sites. The Marton Place-making Group has since met twice to discuss, firstly, the next place-making project for the group and, secondly, to look further ahead at future place-making projects. The next project identified is a mural on the entrance to the Old Post Office. The Place-making Group has also thrown its support behind the youth-led 7 Day Makeover that is currently being planned for Centennial Park during the school holidays in April.
- 2.3 Town Centre Plans have been developed for Mangaweka and Turakina following the Exploring Possibilities workshops held in each town and facilitated by Creative Communities International.

#### 3 Due date for rates instalment

3.1 For some years the due date for paying rates has been the third Monday in August, November, February and May. If this practice continued in 2016/17, the dates would range from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>. A number of ratepayers have asked whether it could be fixed as the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the respective months, with adjustments when the 20<sup>th</sup> day falls in a weekend or a public holiday. 3.2 The dates are specified in the Council resolution adopting the rates for the new financial year. A change would have minimal impact on Council's cashflow. At the meeting, Council passed a recommendation to amend the due date for rates instalments to be the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the relevant month or, when the 20<sup>th</sup> day falls in a weekend or a public holiday, the next business day. This change will be included in the 2016/17 rates resolution at Council's meeting on 30 June 2016.

#### 4 Proposed amendment to rates remission policy: low value properties

- 4.1 Council received a letter from the owners of a property in the West Taihape slip zone, requesting a full rates remission.
- 4.2 Council may remit rates only if it has a policy covering the circumstance in question. One option is to have within the Council's rates remission policy a section which permits Council on a case-by-case basis to remit rates on the grounds of financial hardship or other extenuating circumstances. Some councils do this. However, such a policy gives no guidance – it is simply providing an opportunity for Council to exercise discretion. With such an approach, it is difficult to demonstrate consistency.

Several options were put to Council for reducing the rates take on this property. At the meeting Council resolved to amend the Rates Remission Policy to include the following statement:

Remission of rates on the grounds of financial hardship, disproportionate rates compared to the value of the property or other extenuating circumstances

Council may, on application of a ratepayer, remit all or part of a rates assessment for one or more years if satisfied there are sufficient grounds of financial hardship by the ratepayer, or where the size of the annual rates assessment compared with the rateable value of the property is deemed disproportionately high, or where there are other extenuating circumstances to do so.

Council's threshold for 'disproportionately high' is where the annual rates assessment exceeds 10% of the rateable value of the property.

This proposal will be included in the Consultation Document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan.

#### 5 Adoption of the Heritage Strategy

5.1 Following the consultation period for the Strategy, two submitters requested to speak at the oral hearings during Council's meeting on 29 February 2016. Council formally adopted the Heritage Strategy 2016 at its meeting on 31 March 2016.

#### 6 Update on District Plan Change

6.1 The Proposed Rangitikei District Plan Change 2016 was open for submissions during March until 4 April 2016. Twenty two submissions were received during this time. The issues raised in submissions were diverse including; setbacks, signage, heritage and natural hazards. Further submissions are open from 9 April – 22 April 2016. This is an opportunity for submissions to be made in support or opposition of a submission that was lodged during the first round of submissions. Following the close of further submissions pre-hearing meetings may be held which would seek to resolve issues before a formal hearing which is tentatively scheduled to be held at the end of May 2016.

#### 7 Recommendation

7.1 That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in February and March 2016' be received.

Samantha Whitcombe Governance Administrator

# Attachment 4

### REPORT

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#### 1 Background

- 1.1 Council's Economic Development and District Promotion Activity Management Plan was developed during the preparation of the 2015-25 Long-Term Plan. One of the three key indicators to increase the proportion of young people living in the District being schooled locally.
- 1.2 The activity management plan identified five Key Result Areas (KRA), particularly:
  - KRA2: Growth and development of the identified sectors, specifically primary production, education and Maori economic development
- 1.3 Five areas of focus were identified which contributed to one or more of the KRAs. In the specific area of "Sector development focussing on the education sector", Council included its existing activity to provide scholarships to the local state high schools and suggested that two further youth scholarships be considered.
- 1.4 The original purpose of these scholarships was to support the Board of Trustees to promote Rangitikei College as the school of first choice for the southern Rangitikei. This was later extended to provide the same scholarships for the Taihape Area School. This approach was confirmed by Council in October 2015<sup>1</sup>.
- 1.5 There was discussion over extending the scheme further to provide one scholarship to each of Nga Tawa and Turakina Maori Girls College for students who also live in the District, but a resolution to this effect was not passed at Council's meeting in October. Instead, Council requested a report on options for rewarding excellence by the District's young people.
- 1.6 At its meeting in March 2016, the Finance/Performance Committee agreed to the provision of up the \$2,000 annually for the Rangitikei Youth Week Awards Scheme. The scheme would be broadly aligned to the National Youth Week Award, however, the Committee was minded to leave the precise details of how any awards and in which category of awards to a panel. It was concerned that this panel should have iwi

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 15/RDC/273

representation and requested that the Komiti consider making an appointment to this panel.

#### 2 Youth Week Awards 2016

- 2.1 The press release from Minister Kaye and associated information and application form are attached as <u>Appendix 1</u>.
- 2.2 The theme for Youth Week nationally is "Aroha Mai, Aroha Atu Giving Back is Giving Forward". It aims to:
  - encourage young people to take on challenges
  - raise awareness of the positive aspects of being young
  - empower young people to feel they have the tools and confidence to support each other
  - support youth participation in community planning
- 2.3 The categories for the national Youth Awards are:
  - Change Maker Award (LGBTI, Cultural and Community Safety)
  - Leadership Award
  - Giving Back Award
  - Working for Youth Award
  - Youth with Disability Award
  - Youth Group Award
  - Youth Champion Award
- 2.4 Nominees must meet the following eligibility criteria:
  - Be currently living, and have lived in New Zealand for the past 12 months or more
  - Have participated in the activities they have been nominated for within the past 12 months
  - For Change Maker (LGBTI and/or Cultural and/or Community Safety), Leadership, Giving Back, Working for Youth, Youth with Disability and Youth Group awards: have participated in activities they were nominated for outside of their regular study or work commitments
  - For Change Maker (LGBTI and/or Cultural and/or Community Safety), Leadership, Giving Back, Working for Youth, Youth with Disability and Youth Group awards: be aged between 12 and 24 at the beginning of Youth Week on 21st May 2016
- 2.5 The nominations will be assessed against the following criteria:
  - Contributed significantly to their community
  - Taken action to address an identified need in their community
  - Demonstrated the ability to motivate, engage and positively influence others
  - Demonstrated initiative to provide solutions
  - Demonstrated commitment and perseverance
  - Demonstrated leadership skills

#### 3 Rangitikei Youth Week Awards 2016

- 3.1 Council's youth strategy currently focuses on engaging young people in town makeovers (particularly Marton) and to extending engagement with youth (aged 12-25). This latter is leading to a third youth forum, organised by Bulls and District Community Trust, to be held during Youth Week in May 2016. It will bring together young people and agencies delivering services for young people as the 2015/16 Path to Well-Being conference<sup>2</sup>. Its focus will be to develop youth services in a way that reflects the voice of young people in the District.
- 3.2 The aims of national Youth Week align very well with those of the local strategy.

#### 4 Process for Awards

4.1 The table below provides a summary of the proposed Rangitikei Youth Week Awards 2016.

Categories of Award	To be determined by the panel
Eligibility	Be currently living, and have lived in Rangitikei for the past 12 months or more Have participated in the activities they have been nominated for within the past 12 months Have participated in activities they were nominated for outside of their regular study or work commitments Be aged between 12 and 24 at the beginning of Youth Week on 21st May 2016
Assessment Criteria	Significance of community contribution Need in the community Ability to motivate, engage and positively influence others Initiative to provide solutions Commitment and perseverance Leadership skills

- 4.2 Nominations can be made by anyone. Nominations may be made through the national awards scheme paperwork or on a local form that mirrors the national Awards scheme. This may help to reinforce both schemes and ensure good local input.
- 4.3 The scheme would be promoted locally through the schools, youth groups and local media (including social media).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 15/RDC/340

- 4.4 Council has \$2,000 available. The awards could be limited to, for example, four of \$500 each. Or there could be a top award and then several (smaller) runner-up awards. This decision could be made once the applications have been received.
- 4.5 Local stakeholders were invited to comment on a potential Rangitikei Youth Award Scheme, aligned to the national scheme. The responses were very supportive of a local Youth Awards Scheme and this report reflects some of the comments received, including:
  - Support for an "overall winner"
  - Support for a Group Award as well as awards for individuals
  - Support for a specific category for a contribution from a cultural perspective Acknowledging that the national scheme was probably not well known locally and that local publicity would be required
- 4.6 The national scheme closes on 18 April but the local scheme could run through until the end of April. The Award ceremony should take place during Youth Week, possibly as part of the Council meeting to be held on Thursday 26 May 2016.
- 4.7 The applications could be reviewed by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, with an invited panel of 4, including a representative from the school principals, one iwi representative and two members of Youth Voices<sup>3</sup>. The panel would decide how the award(s) are made.

#### 5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That the report "Potential Youth Awards Scheme 2016" be received.
- 5.2 That Te Roopu Ahi Kaa approves the Rangitikei Youth Week Awards 2016 as outlined in the report "Potential Youth Awards Scheme 2016".
- 5.3 That Te Roopu Ahi Kaa appoints \_\_\_\_\_\_ as its representative to the Awards Panel.

Denise Servante Strategy & Community Planning Manager

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Youth Voices Group represents local agencies working District-wide with young people that has been developing the Youth One Stop Shop proposal for MSD.

# Appendix 1



#### Nikki Kaye

10 MARCH, 2016

#### Nominations for 2016 Youth Awards open today

Nominations are now open for the 2016 Youth Awards, which celebrate young people who've achieved outstanding results, and those who've made a significant contribution to supporting young people, says Youth Minister Nikki Kaye.

"The awards, now in their third year, will recognise up to 45 people and organisations across seven different award categories," says Ms Kaye.

"If you know someone who deserves recognition for their achievements, then please put their name forward. Anyone can make a nomination, and I encourage nominations from community leaders and teachers, to youth workers and young people themselves."

Last year, recipients of Youth Awards included:

- a student who captured on video the stories of remaining World War Two veterans
- a college group who developed a virtual landscape of the Gallipoli battlefield for use as an educational resource
- the founder of a non-profit performing arts company which delivers free leadership workshops to young people, to strengthen cultural identity and address social issues which impact them.

"The award categories in 2016 celebrate qualities such as leadership, being a change maker and giving back, as well as young people who've supported youth activities in areas such as the arts, culture, sport and environment.

"There are also awards for youth groups, individual young people and organisations that have supported or championed young people in any type of activity.

"This year, three awards have been introduced under the change maker category, to recognise the wide variety of initiatives that young people are active in.

"I continue to be amazed by the talented and committed young people who I meet across New Zealand.

"With the right support, young people are leading change in New Zealand and internationally, and this is something I want to continue to encourage as Minister for Youth.

"The Youth Awards are an opportunity to not only recognise young people's achievements, but to also highlight the positive contribution that they are making to their communities and to New Zealand."

Nominations for the 2016 Youth Awards close on 18 April. The winners will be formally recognised at a celebratory event at Parliament on 24 May 2016.

Find out how to make a nomination here.

#### 2016 Youth Awards categories

There are up to five recipients for each award. Recipients are chosen by a panel including young people.

#### Change Maker Award

For young people who have created positive change:

- · to foster cultural understanding in their community (Cultural Change Maker)
- in or for the LGBTI community (LGBTI Change Maker)
- which results in a safer environment for young people in their community (Community Safety Change Maker).

#### Leadership Award

For young people who've demonstrated leadership in a project or organisation.

#### **Giving Back Award**

For young people whose actions address a current need and have had a significant impact on their community.

#### Working for Youth Award

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For young people whose actions specifically support other young people in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, environment or sport.

#### Youth with Disability Award

For young people with a disability who've made a significant contribution to the disability sector and/or their community.

#### Youth Group Award

For a group of young people who've made a significant contribution to their community in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, environment or sport.

#### Youth Champion Award

For an individual or organisation who has made a significant contribution to their community in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, education, environment, health, research or sport.

Nikki Kaye Youth

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### NOMINATE NOW

Award Categories

Preparing your Nomination

Nomination Checklist

Key Dates



#### 1a. Change Maker - LGBTI

For young people who have created positive change in, or for, the LGBTI community.

#### 1b. Change Maker - Cultural

For young people who have created positive change to foster cultural understanding in their community.

#### 1c. Change Maker - Community Safety

For young people who have created positive change, resulting in a safer environment for young people in their community.

#### 2. Leadership

The Leadership Award will be awarded to a young person who has demonstrated their leadership in a project or organisation.

#### 3. Giving Back

The Giving Back Award will be awarded to a young person whose actions address a current need and have had a significant impact on their community.

#### 4. Working for Youth

The Working for Youth Award will be awarded to a young person whose actions specifically support other young people in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, the environment or sport.

#### 5. Youth With Disability

The Youth with Disability Award will be awarded to a young person with a disability who has made significant contribution to the disability sector and/or their community.

#### 6. Youth Group

The Youth Group Award will be awarded to a group of young people who have made significant contribution to their community in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, the environment or sport.

#### 7. Youth Champion

The Youth Champion Award will be awarded to an individual or an organisation who has made significant contribution to young people in areas such as (but not limited to) the arts, culture, education, the environment, health, research or sport.

### Youth Week 2016 Awards will be awarded to up to five recipients in each of the above categories.



#### Nomination

#### Instructions

- 1. Before starting your nomination, please ensure you have read and understood the Nomination Criteria, and yo
- 2. Select your award category from the "Nomination Award" drop down menu
- 3. Enter your nominees name and details
- 4. Enter your name and details
- 5. Answer all the questions below, providing as much detail as possible
- 6. Upload your file attachments; include material to support the nomination (attachments must be no larger than
- 7. Tick the "I Accept" button
- 8. Once your nomination submission is fully complete, please click the "Submit" button

NOTE: You can save your nomination at any time, so long as you have a contact email addre box and click the save/submit button each time.

Once you have pressed save/submit you will receive an email from <u>office@nzyouthawards.c</u> submission page, your login and password information. You can then log back in to update a further supporting material. You will also be emailed a PDF file attachment, which is your negative statement.

Nomination Award 2. Leaders	hip	
Award	LINKED!	
2. Leadership		

The Leadership Award will be awarded to a young person who has demonstrated their leadership in a project or organisation.

#### **Nomination Checklist**

Before starting your nomination, please ensure you have read and understood the Nomination Criteria, and you have read about the seven different award categories

Prior to clicking 'Nominate Now' please make sure you have all the information and details you need, to make the process a lot easier.

- What award category you are nominating your nominee in.
- Your nominees full name, email address, age, phone number, and address
- Any supporting information is saved/scanned, and ready to attach to nomination

Once you have all of that information ready to go, you should be all ready and prepared to nominate!

NOMINEE DETAILS		NOMINATOR DETAILS
First Name	xxxx	First Name
Last Name	уууу	Last Name
Known as/ preferred name		Relationship to nominee
Gender		Phone Number
Age		Email
Street Address		REFEREE DETAILS
City or Town		
Phone Number		First Name
Email	zzzz@cccc.co.nz	Last Name
School, organisation or		Relationship to nominee
workplace	l}	Phone Number
		Email

When considering the nomination, the selection panel will consider the extent that t

Contributed significantly to their community

- Taken action to address an identified need in their community
- Demonstrated the ability to motivate, engage and positively influence others
- Demonstrated initiative to provide solutions
- Demonstrated commitment and perseverance
- **Demonstrated leadership skills**

Please complete the questions below to tell us about the achievements of the perso provide examples about the activities that will help the selection panel assess their be awarded in their nomination category.

#### **Submission**

Q1 Describe what the individual or group you are nominating has done to make contribution to their community? (100 – 200 words)

Q2	Describe the impact of their contribution? (100 - 200 words)
Q3	Please provide any further information about the individual or group that sug suitability to be awarded in their nomination category?

Attachments - Click on image/document to display, drag/drop to reorder, click on title to ed

#### **Declaration**

- 1. I acknowledge that the information I have provided for this nomination is true a
- 2. I acknowledge that the individual or group meets the criteria of the Award categ
- 3. I have informed the nominee that they are being nominated for this award and h nomination.

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I accept 🗌

# Attachment 5

#### 14 AUGUST 2007

Purpose of Report: For Decision

#### CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 That report CE-07-613 be received.
- 1.2 That Te Whakaminenga o Kapiti give in principle approval to new citizens attending a citizenship ceremony on a marae in 2008, subject to further consultation with iwi, hapu and whanau.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A request was made by Corona Griffiths at the citizenship ceremony held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2007 to visit a local marae and also acknowledge Tangata Whenua. This is the first time this type of request has been made by a new citizen and has prompted a review to identify options that will give new citizens the opportunity to attend a marae as part of the citizenship process.

This report outlines current practice and a proposal that needs to be considered by Te Whakaminenga o Kapiti.

### BACKGROUND

- 2 Kapiti Coast District Council citizenship ceremonies are held every 6-8 weeks on a Wednesday night at 7.00pm in Council Chambers. The number of applicants varies from 10-30 per session. The duration of the ceremony is dependant on the number of applicants and the reading of the oath or affirmation. For some new citizens English is a second or new language. They may find this part difficult and need gentle coaxing or support to fulfil this requirement.
- 3 The citizenship ceremony programme was developed inhouse and is made available on the night. The programme for the evening comprises:
  - Request for all to stand Council staff
  - Entry of Mayoral party including Council's Kaumatua
  - Introduction Council staff
  - Karakia Council's Kaumatua

- Whakatau from Council's Kaumatua
- Waiata supported by Council staff (Te Waka)
- Speech from the Mayor
- Applicant reading of the Oath or Affirmation
- Applicant receipt of citizenship certificate and a small gift from the Mayor and Mayoress
- Reading of the letter from the Minister of Internal Affairs
- Invitation for applicants to have a photograph with the Mayor
- Invitation for all to sing the National Anthem in Māori and English
- Karakia Council's Kaumatua
- Waiata supported by Council Staff (Te Waka)
- Karakia Council's Kaumatua
- Karakia mo te kai Council's Kaumatua
- Supper
- 4 There has been no formal review of the programme for Citizenship Ceremonies and it is considered that none is required other than consideration of the proposals outlined in this report.
- 5 The following sections outline developments at other Councils that may be potential avenues for the Kapiti Coast District Council and Tangata Whenua to co-host a marae visit for new citizens.

# CONSIDERATIONS

## **Issues and Options**

# Vision

6 The Community Plan includes the four key principles of the Tangata Whenua vision for the district and suggests ideas about how these principles can be fostered. The vision mentions: working together; unity; cultural development; wider nurturing of te reo Māori; recognition of the importance of marae; improved Māori representation; international recognition and also that Tangata Whenua are closely involved in citizenship processes with new immigrants.

The principles are:

• Whakawhanaungatanga/manaakitanga: that the marae is our principal home which ties Tangata Whenua to our areas through the physical embodiment of our ancestors and remains well maintained and thoroughly respected. The wellbeing and health of the marae determines the emotional, spiritual and physical wellbeing of the people.

- **Te Reo**: it is the language of the Tangata Whenua through which tikanga is conveyed and an official language of New Zealand. It is fundamental that the language, as a deeply treasured taonga left by our ancestors, is nurtured throughout the community and that the language continues to prosper and encourage future generations.
- Kotahitanga: through unity, we as communities have strength. Working together we can ensure our District's heritage, cultural development, health and education flourish.
- **Tino Rangatiratanga**: the continuation of self determination and self governance of all tribal matters.
- 7 Under the Local Government Act 2002, Council is required to promote the social, cultural, economic and environmental wellbeing of the district. Citizenship ceremonies and the way in which these are delivered on the Kapiti Coast give effect to these areas of wellbeing and align with Community Outcomes 2 and 7.
  - Outcome 2: local character is retained within a cohesive district.
  - **Outcome 7**: the District has a strong healthy and involved community.

#### Citizenship Ceremonies

- 8 Application for New Zealand citizenship is made through The Department of Internal Affairs. The final part of the process is receipt of the citizenship certificate. Advice from Jane Fookes, Citizenship, Identity Services states the only requirement is the applicant must take the oath or affirmation of allegiance in front of an authorised person, i.e. a Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Justice of the Peace and subsequently receive their citizenship certificate (J.Fookes, personal communication, 5 July, 2007).
- 9 The Department of Internal Affairs encourages local authorities to include a Māori element in their ceremonies and this is often done by way of inviting a Kaumatua to speak or Kapa Haka group to perform. There is no restriction on other content or where a ceremony can be held, therefore a marae would be ideal.
- 10 Wayne Knox, Māori Relationships Manager confirms that citizenship ceremonies held at Waitakere City Council are supported by Kaumatua who open with karakia and mihimihi. They are planning for a citizenship ceremony to be held at one of their local marae later in the year (W.Knox, personal communication, 12 July, 2007).

#### Powhiri/Hui

11 Masterton District Council investigated the option of inviting new citizens to the marae in 2005. The issue was that many immigrants had little or no exposure to things Māori and that there needed to be more initiatives to 'open the doors' of

marae and invite them in (J.Kerehi, personal communication, 5 July, 2007). Further discussion highlighted the following points:

- Citizenship ceremonies are and should remain a civic ceremony;
- Once a year Council would co-host a powhiri for new citizens alongside Tangata Whenua;
- The ceremony would move around local marae to allow all hapu to exercise their manawhenua in partnership with Council.
- 12 The inaugural powhiri was held at Te Ore Ore marae, Wairarapa in 2006. This event received a citation from the Human Rights Commission in recognition of the initiative to bring people together. Around 40 migrants from Zimbabwe, South Africa, England, Scotland, India, Russia and Mexico took up the invitation to attend.
  - New citizens were invited to wear their traditional costume in respect to their nationality.
  - Kaikorero and Kaikaranga support were there to assist and bring the new citizens on to the marae.
  - Waiting on the marae were Kaumatua, Kaikorero, Kaikaranga, the Mayor, Councillors and Council staff.
  - A formal powhiri was held followed by invitation to share refreshments.
  - After kai, everyone gathered in the wharenui where Kaikorero spoke about the history of the marae, the hapu and iwi. This was followed by a speech from the Mayor and individual mihimihi, giving everyone present an opportunity to talk.
  - New citizens spoke about their homelands, what it meant to come to New Zealand and the opportunity to come to the marae. Rosie Mutsimba of Zimbabwe said the chance to be part of the occasion meant a lot to her family "It was emotional. It really made us feel like we really belong in New Zealand" (*On the Brightside May 2006*. Retrieved July, 2007).
- 13 There is a growing desire within communities to provide initiatives that support cultural development and integration. A very real issue in today's society is that marae are viewed as exclusive places and can be too difficult to access for new and even citizens by birth. Identifying activities that provide a safe and welcoming environment will go a long way towards a better understanding and support from the wider community.

#### Proposed option

14 There is evidence to support a proposal for Council and Tangata Whenua to cohost a citizenship ceremony on a local marae in 2008. It is envisaged that the marae citizenship ceremony will include an invitation to other migrants who have already completed the process in the last 12 months to attend as a guest. 15 Further development of this initiative will need the support and endorsement from Tangata Whenua to participate in the planning and implementation stages. This is a viable way forward to celebrate partnership, diversity and will support the Community and Tangata Whenua long term vision for the district.

#### Benefits for co-hosting ceremonies or powhiri for new citizens

- 16 The possible impacts on iwi to co-host a citizenship ceremony or powhiri for new citizens on marae:
  - Recognition and acknowledgement of Tangata Whenua;
  - Active involvement in the citizenship process;
  - Opportunity to develop understanding and mutual support with members of the wider community;
  - Helps Council build relationships with all marae in the district and the hapu that support them;
  - Gives effect to the Treaty of Waitangi and the Tangata Whenua vision for the district;
  - Acknowledges the partnership status for Tangata Whenua and Council elected representatives;
  - Reduces barriers for learning about marae;
  - Provides opportunity for more community involvement with marae;
  - Involves a commitment from Tangata Whenua.
- 17 The possible impacts on Council to co-host a citizenship ceremony or powhiri for new citizens on marae:
  - Organising event in partnership with Tangata Whenua;
  - Enables effective engagement and partnership with Tangata Whenua;
  - Learning and development for elected members and staff;
  - Exposure to marae tikanga/kawa;
  - Gives effect to the Treaty of Waitangi, Tangata Whenua vision for the district and Community Plan;
  - Acknowledges the partnership status for Tangata Whenua and Council elected representatives;
  - Allows Council to extend an invitation to new citizens to experience the marae;
  - Improves community participation;
  - Reduces barriers for learning about Māori language and protocol;

- Involves a commitment from Council and Elected Members;
- Financial cost for koha to marae, facility hire and catering.
- 18 The possible impacts on new citizens to attend a citizenship ceremony or powhiri on a marae:
  - Opportunity to experience the marae environment and interact with Tangata Whenua;
  - Opportunity to celebrate their own culture with others;
  - Connection with Tangata Whenua;
  - Greater appreciation of tikanga Māori;
  - Active participation within other parts of the community;
  - Greater sense of belonging and integration into New Zealand people, land and culture.

#### **Financial Considerations**

19 Citizenship ceremonies are funded by the Council Ceremonies and Functions Budget. If the proposal is adopted there will be financial considerations.

#### **Publicity Considerations**

20 There are no publicity considerations at this time, although these will be considered in the development of options.

#### **Report prepared by:**

Approved for submission by:

Te Paea Paringatai Andrew Guerin Workforce Development & Cultural Sustainable Development Manager Advisor

#### 1 ATTACHMENTS

Citizenship Ceremony Programme 11/7/2007

# Attachment 6



# MEMORANDUM

TO:	Te Roopu Ahi Kaa
FROM:	Samantha Whitcombe
DATE:	6 April 2016
SUBJECT:	Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March/April 2016
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.
- 1.2 This report also covers applications for external funding as required by the Policy on external grant applications made by Council.

#### 2 Homelessness

- 2.1 Following the presentation at Public Forum in January, the Safe and Caring Community Theme group undertook to determine if there is evidence of a widespread problem of homelessness following a request from the Policy/Planning Committee. At its meeting in April, it determined that this was not a major or pressing issue for the District. However, a request for information has been circulated through local networks.
- 2.2 It was noted by the group that a further issue is the poor quality of housing, including inappropriate use of properties as housing (commercial premises and/or over-occupancy of premises).

#### 3 Youth Leadership Forum

3.1 Bulls and District Community Trust continue to develop this event as the 2015/16 Path to Well-being conference. The work with the Marton Community Charter and MSD has indicated that any youth development requires extensive input and direction from youth. The Forum will bring together agencies and services with young people for a face-to-face conversation about the delivery of youth services in the District.

#### 4 Samoan Settling-In Support

4.1 Progress has been made in developing a collaborative project with local service agencies in southern Rangitikei and some representatives from various groupings within the Samoan community. This will commence with a celebration of Samoan Independence Day on 4 June 2016.

- 4.2 A follow-up project is being looked at to develop a network of volunteers from within the Samoan migrant community in Marton/southern Rangitikei, initially through coordinating a series of information sessions between the Samoan community and local service providers.
- 4.3 Intervention by MSD/Pasifika Proud during 2014/15 to develop a cross-church representative committee was not able to achieve consensus about representation within the Samoan community. This project hopes to bring this about through a different, practical angle that will build leadership and capability within the Samoan community.

#### 5 Youth Development

- 5.1 The youth-led Marton 7 Day Makeover is planned for the week beginning 18 April and will take place in the entrance to Centennial Park. Support has been sought and secured from the Place-making Steering Group, Marton Netball, Saracen's Cricket Club and Rangitikei College. A meeting in early April will plan for the actual makeover.
- 5.2 The Marton Community Charter Board, through the GROW Marton engagement with young people carried out by the Ministry for Youth Development, identified that driving legally amongst young people can be an issue. There are good models of learner and restricted driving programmes that are in place and funding proposals are being developed to try to develop a project for the southern Rangitikei. It is hoped that this will include supporting the Samoan migrant workers to convert their Samoan licences into New Zealand licences.
- 5.3 More generally, the future for Council funded youth development in the District is subject to the Annual Plan consultation process.

#### 6 Recommendations

6.1 That the memorandum 'Update on the Path to Well-Being initiative and other community development programmes – March/April 2016' be received.

Samantha Whitcombe Governance Administrator

## Appendix 1

Fund	Project description	How much	Desired outcomes and milestones	Lead Agency	Council role	Policy Team Role	Final report due
MSD - Quality Services and Innovation Fund	Taihape Community Connections; to develop better collaborative and referral practices amongst local health and social service providers, collation and provision of information about services within Taihape.	\$120,000	Central information resource, improved access to services	Taihape Community Development Trust	Support Agency	Prepared application, project steering group: no reporting responsibilities	Dec-13
Whanganui Community Foundation	Swim 4 All	\$10,000	Swimming lessons for Primary School aged children in the Rangitikei District	RDC	Lead agency, fund holder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Jan-16
Lottery Community Committee	Swim 4 All	\$10,000	Swimming lessons for Primary School aged children in the Rangitikei District	RDC	Lead agency, fund holder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Apr-16
MYD - Youth Development Fund	Youth Action Plan	\$15,000	Delivery of one youth-led civic projects in Taihape, District-wide training in place- making	RDC	Lead agency, fund holder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports to funder. In kind support from Council. Cash support from TCP budget for Place-making training sessions.	Jun-16
MYD - Community Investment Fund	Youth Action Plan	\$20,000	Support for Marton Youth Club pending feasibility study on longer term	RDC	Lead agency, fund holder	Holds funds, contracts with HYPE for youth club management. Responsibility to deliver feasibility study to be agreed within Marton Community Charter.	Final report submitted December 2015

Fund	Project description	How	Desired outcomes	Lead Agency	Council	Policy Team Role	Final report
		much	and milestones		role		due
KiwiSport	Swim 4 All	\$10,000	Swimming lessons for Primary School aged children in the Rangitikei District	RDC	Lead agency, fund holder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Jun-16
as at 02/09/2015	Confirmed	\$185,000					

# Attachment 7

4 February 2016



Private Bag 11025 Manawatu Mail Centre

Palmerston North 4442

P 06 952 2800

Ross McNeil Chief Executive Rangitikei District Council Private Bag 1102 Marton 4741 Dear Ross

EVALUATING HORIZONS' ONE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION – PART ONE: WATER QUALITY

Starting this month, Horizons Regional Council will be looking at our progress on putting the *One Plan* into effect.

The first piece of evaluation work will look at progress in implementing coastal and freshwater quality rules, and focus on the topical and challenging issues of intensive land use and nutrient management.<sup>1</sup> This area has been chosen for early consideration because of its high public interest. Consenting of intensive agricultural land use is a new process, which has rightly remained in the spotlight as we put it in place.

This letter is to advise you of this evaluation work, and invite your views. While it is important to be clear about the evaluation's scope and purpose - this is <u>not</u> a Plan change and review process, and does <u>not</u> revisit community values or the Plan's framework itself. We are committed to an inclusive process, where interested groups with views on the past year's experience with the implementation of the *One Plan's* nutrient management rules, are able to have a say. I invite you to send this letter on through any parts of your networks which may be interested, or otherwise to let them know about the work that is happening. Your comments will inform our understanding of what is important to people as we go through this process, and make sure that perspectives are fully taken into account.

In considering comments you may wish to make:

- The main focus is on rules for intensive land use consenting and nutrient management (and resulting One Plan water quality objectives). Other parts of the One Plan will be evaluated later.
- The evaluation is about progress achieved and problems experienced, in putting the new rules into effect. We want to know what's working (or what's not), and kick the tyres on any problems.
- Are you happy with progress, and Horizons' approach? We welcome comments on what any issues for you might be.

<sup>1</sup> For background, see Report No. 15-265 One Plan Evaluation: Proposed Framework and Scope (8 December 2015). This report is available on Horizons website at <u>http://www.horizons.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Events/Strategy\_Policy\_Committee\_Meeting/2015-12-08\_130000/Table-of-contents-Dec.pdf</u>.

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- Social impact assessment and economic modelling are important parts of the work. Comments you may have on social or economic impact are relevant.
- As with the One Plan, evaluation work will continue to be informed and led by the freshwater science understanding where we are, for example, against new national river and lake health bottom lines.
- We will be considering the *National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management* (NPSFM) and its requirements.

While it may seem early days to be evaluating where we are up to, we think this important to ensure that the process is being well managed, and to provide a clear picture for council and our community of any issues arising. This, in turn, supports all of us in making good decisions.

The focus at this stage is on how the *One Plan* is being put into effect. There will not be a formal submission process. If, at some future time, it was thought (perhaps because of implementation problems or new requirements through the NPSFM) that the *One Plan* itself needed to be reviewed or changed, this would be a publicly notified process, involving a full statutory consultation and review of the policy options.

The current piece of evaluation work is due to be completed by August 2016. If you have views or comments it would be helpful to receive these early. You are welcome to contact Claire Browning, Project Manager by email: claire.browning@horizons.govt.nz or phone: (06) 9522 824 to signal your group's interest in the work and ask any questions, or you may like to simply submit any views or comments in writing.

In the meantime, work to implement the *One Plan* continues. Input from the community is an important part of ensuring we are getting it right. I hope you feel encouraged to be involved.

Yours sincerely

Nic Peet GROUP MANAGER STRATEGY & REGULATION