

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa **Meeting**

Tuesday 12 February 2019 11.00 am

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Nga mema

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 Mr B Gray (Ngāti Rangituhia), Ms K Savage (Ngāti Parewahawaha),
 Mr T Curtis (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti), Ms C Raukawa-Manuel (Ngā Ariki Turakina), Mr C Mete (Rātana Community),
 Mr C Shenton (Ngāti Kauae/Tauira), Mr T Steedman (Ngāti Hinemanu/Ngāti Paki), Ms H Benevides (Ngāti Tamakopiri),
 Ms N Wipaki (Ngai te Ohuake), Mr M Pirikahu (Ngā Wairiki Ki Uta),
 Cr A Gordon, and His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, (ex officio)

Manuhiri: Mr J Twomey (Horizons Regional Council - Iwi Liaison)

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1 Karakia/Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Members' conflict of interest

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

4 Confirmation of order of business and late items

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting. Such matters will be dealt with at the end of this agenda.

5 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Kōrero / Confirmation of minutes

The Minutes from the meeting held on 20 November 2018 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-8-2

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 20 November 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

6 Chair's report

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

7 Feedback on the Komiti's workshop

Discussion item.

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

There were no recommendations to Council made at the previous hui.

9 Council responses to queries raised at previous hui

There were no queries raised at the previous hui.

10 Update from Council (November 2018 - January 2019)

A report is attached. A summary of current Infrastructure resource consent issues will be tabled at the meeting.

File ref: 3-CT-8-1

Recommendation:

That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in November 2018 January 2019' be received.

11 Values

Discussion item.

12 Grants update

The new online grants platform will be used for Round 2, 2018/19, to manage the Community initiatives Scheme, Events Sponsorship Scheme, the Sport NZ Rural travel fund and the Creative Communities Scheme. Round 2 will open on 11 March 2019, and close on 15 April 2019. All applications will submitted, and assessed online.

Community Boards and Committees have all nominated 1 assesor each to evaluate the applications for the Event Sponsorship and the Community initiatives Schemes. The Creative Community Assessment Committee and the Sport NZ Rural Assessment Committee will continue to assess their respective funds as before.

An assossor training day will take place on 4 March 2019 in the Council chambers. Our Governance Administrator Christin Ritchie, will be available to assist applicants with their online applications as needed.

13 Creative Communities Asessment Committee

In Round 1 of 2019-2020. The Creative Communities Assessment Committee will need between four and seven new committee members, including representation from Pasifika and youth. Members will ideally be involved in the arts locally, or have experience in one or more forms of art. They will be responsible for assessing applications for funding from artistic individuals and community groups, and will be required to attend meetings twice a year.

A nomination form is attached.

Recommendation:

That the Creative Communities Scheme assessor nomination form be received.

14 Horizons update

Mr Twomey to lead a discussion on the function and recent undertakings of Horizons within the Rangitīkei District.

15 Update on landlocked land

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

16 Update on Te Pae Tawhiti

Te Pae Tawhiti is the Māori Manawatū-Whanganui Economic Development Strategy, 2016-40.

A verbal update will be provided by the Chair.

17 Update on Path to Well-being Initiative

An update will be available at the April 2019 Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Meeting.

18 Pānui/Announcements

19 Late items

As accepted in item 4.

20 Future Items for the Agenda

21 Next meeting

9 April 2019 11.00 am (Komiti only hui from 10.00 - 11.00 am)

22 Meeting closed/Karakia

Attachment 1



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Present:	Mr Pahia Turia (Chair) Ms Tracey Hiroa
	Ms Kim Savage
	Mr Thomas Curtis
	Ms Coral Raukawa-Manuel
	Mr Chris Shenton
	Mr Terry Steedman
	Ms Naumai Wipaki
	Ms Katarina Hina
	Mr Mark Pirikahu
	His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
In attendance:	Mr Ross McNeil, Chief Executive
	Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager
	Ms Jo Devine, Finance and Business Support Group Manager
	Mr Laquan Meihana, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua
	Ms Christin Ritchie, Governance Administrator
	Ms Selena Anderson, Governance Administrator
	Ms Nardia Gower, Youth Development Officer Ms Goia Damosso, Strategic Advisor – Economic development
	Mr Jerald Twomey, Kaitatari Kaupapa (Iwi) (Horizons Regional Council)

 Tabled Document:
 Māori Responsiveness Framework Supporting Attachment 1

1 Karakia/Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, along with Ms Jo Devine and Ms Goia Damosso to the Rangitīkei.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number

The apology for the absence of Mr Robert Gray, Mr Charlie Mete, Ms Hari Benevides and Cr Angus Gordon be received.

Mr T Curtis / Ms T Hiroa. Carried

3 Members' conflict of interest

No conflicts were declared.

4 Confirmation of order of business and late items

Resolved minute number

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, the recent visit to Taiwan and the exposure of the old Putorino landfill would be dealt with at the appropriate places in the agenda.

Mr T Steedman / Ms C Raukawa—Manuel. Carried

5 Whakatau Nga Tuhinga Kōrero / Confirmation of minutes

Resolved minute number18/IWI/031File Ref3-CT-8-2

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 9 October 2018 be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Ms K Savage / Ms C Raukawa-Manuel. Carried

6 Chair's report

The Chair and His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson updated the Komiti on their recent trip to Taiwan, where they were part of a small contingency who met with Taiwanese officials and business people.

File Ref

7 Feedback on the Komiti's workshop

No feedback was provided.

8 Council decisions on recommendations from the Komiti

There were no recommendations to Council made at the last meeting.

9 Council responses to queries raised at previous hui

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

Ms Savage requested that Ngā Wairiki be included when referring to Ngāti Apa.

10 Update from Council (October 2018)

Mr McNeil spoke to the report, highlighting:

- A joint eight-member committee has been established to advance the health, wellbeing and integrated management of the Whangaehu River. Cr Angus Gordon is the Rangitikei Representative.
- Healthy homes standards Council is committed to upholding these for its community housing.
- Council decided the final proposal for the representation review would include a three ward structure. Public notice has been given, and is open for appeal and objection until 11 December 2018.

Resolved minute number18/IWI/032File Ref3-CT-8-1

That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in October 2018' be received.

Mr C Shenton / Ms K Hina. Carried

11 Quarterly update on Māori responsiveness framework

Mr Meihana updated the Komiti on his progress to date. Since he has started in June, he has been working with various Iwi/hapū and marae. Conversations have been positive so far.

Ms Hina mentioned the visit which was arranged for the rangatahi to the Council Chambers, and how it prompted some of the youth to think about their future and how council/local government could be part of that.

Resolved minute number	18/IWI/033	File Ref	4-EN-8-2
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That the memorandum 'Quarterly Update – Māori Responsiveness Framework' be received.

Ms K Hina / Mr C Shenton. Carried

12 Citizenship ceremonies at marae

The Komiti discussed the potential for holding citizenship ceremonies at local marae, and the general consensus was that capacity should be a consideration, as some of the ceremonies have had large numbers.

13 Update from the Komiti's representative from the Assets/Infrastructure Committee

Mr McNeil updated the Komiti on the rubbish coming from the old Putorino landfill

The Rangitīkei River has altered its course, and is now running into the Putorino landfill, causing rubbish to be exposed and wash downstream. The river needs to be diverted back to its original line, and the Council is in discussions with Horizons' engineers on how best to achieve this. The cost is not known. Council is currently waiting on consent from Horizons to proceed.

14 Update from the Komiti's representative from the Policy/Planning Committee

No update was provided.

15 Horizons update

No update was provided.

16 Update on landlocked land

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, advised he will be visiting Sir Douglas Kidd later this week. He will also be arranging a visit with Jack Roberts at Timahanga to re-engage.

17 Update on Te Pae Tawhiti

The Chair advised that Minister Shane Jones has announced \$48 million funding for aviation and rail in Whanganui/Manawatū regions. He encouraged anyone who has an economic initiative, to apply for funding to the Provincial Fund.

18 Update on Path to Well-being Initiative

Resolved minute number18/IWI/034File Ref1-CO-4-8

That the memorandum 'Update on Community Engagement and Development Programmes/Activities – September 2018' be received.

Mr T Curtis / Ms K Hina. Carried

19 Pānui/Announcements

Mr Steedman announced that the Waiouru tribunal hearing for December 2018 had been postponed until March 2019.

Ms Hina wished to thank Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, stating that she has enjoyed her time as part of the Komiti. Mr Mark Pirikahu will be taking her place as a representative of Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa.

20 Late items

None

21 Future Items for the Agenda

None

22 Next meeting

12 February 2019 11.00 am (Komiti only hui from 10.00 - 11.00 am)

Please advise if you will be absent as soon as possible.

23 Meeting closed/Karakia

The Chair wished to formally thank Ms Hina for her contributions to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:

Attachment 2



Memorandum

To:	Te Roopu Ahi Kaa
From:	Christin Ritchie, Governance Administrator
Date:	30 January 2019
Subject:	Update from Council's meetings in January 2018
File:	3-CT-8-1

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

An update on progress with Council's Top Ten Projects is attached as Appendix 1.

1 Community location for Solarcity installation

1.1 At is meeting on 13 December 2018, Council approved engaging with Solarcity for the provision of solar power and access to the wholesale energy market for the tenants at Wellington Road and Cobber Kain Avenue community housing complexes. This arrangement (once confirmed) entitles Council to select a community location to receive a free system installation: a decision on this was deferred for later consideration. The Christmas break has delayed finalising the contract so the recommendation for the community location will be provided to Council's meeting on 28 February 2019.

2 Marton water supply

- 2.1 During January, following heavy rainfall and a lightning strike, the Marton town water supply became discoloured. Upgraded treatment processes were installed following widespread instances of brown water in the town last winter, but a misjudgement of the chlorine levels had allowed manganese into the mains. Flushing of the mains to remove the brown water was expected to result in clear water by Anniversary Weekend.
- 2.2 This flushing meant drawing heavily on the level of treated water in the reservoir, but a systems fault at the treatment plant overnight on 16/17 January 2019 stopped the production of water, meaning the Calico Line bore needed to be used to ensure continuity of supply and allow the refilling of the reservoir. At the same time, requests were made to conserve water and advice provided that discolouration might continue into Anniversary Weekend.
- 2.3 The quality variability of the Marton municipal raw water supply (B and C Dams) has been evident since the supply was established many decades ago. This variability is due to a combination of factors, including the chemical nature of the water, the impact of temperature changes and the changes caused by inflows, particularly associated with heavy rainfall. Recent upgrades to the Marton water treatment plant have delivered significant

improvements in treatment and storage capacity. It is now timely that a more a strategic approach is taken to consider the deliver high quality water on a consistent basis. To this end a Marton Water Strategy will be developed, the scope of which will be considered by the Assets and Infrastructure Committee.

3 Civil Defence Emergency Management Improvement Plan

- 3.1 The Improvement Plan is now due for a refresh. The two major outstanding items depend on external parties and will continue to be pursued until achieved. They are:
 - Use of Taihape Hospital building as an EOC/Welfare Centre (Whanganui District Health Board)
 - Securing radio transmission capability for Brian FM in lower half of District (MBIE Radio Spectrum Management Service)

The refreshed Improvement Plan will take into account the updated final National Disaster Resilience Strategy, to be issued by April 2019. The outline for local councils is contained in the draft Strategy (October 2018)

4 Skatepark upgrade at Centennial Park, Marton

- 4.1 The new facility is set to commence construction on 11 February 2019. The construction period will be approximately 12 weeks with an opening of this new skatepark during April 2019.
- 4.2 Council staff have been working with the contactors to finalise health and safety particularly around the use of silicon as a polishing agent for the old and new concrete. Angus McMillan Concrete is now pre-qualified as an approved Rangitīkei District Council contractor with very detailed health and safety documents received. Contract documentation has also been finalised and signed.
- 4.3 Due to difficult site access for delivery trucks from Broadway, the concrete block wall at the end of Hair Street is to be demolished; Saracens Cricket Club has kindly agreed to rebuild this fence following completion of this project. The rebuilt fence will be a white picket fence with a gate that will match the existing fences.
- 4.4 For the build-up to the build, the skatepark committee will meet to finalise further community involvement and to clean the house kindly loaned by Ngati Apa so that it is ready for the contractors to use during the build.

5 Representation Review

5.1 Four appeals were received against the Council's final proposal. As required by the Local Electoral Act, these appeals (and information about the process Council undertook to reach the final proposal) have been conveyed to the Local Government Commission which makes a final decision on the matter.

The Commission has advised it will hold its hearing in the Marton Council Chamber on 1 March 2019. Council and the appellants will have opportunity to speak and answer questions posed by the Commission. This is a public meeting.

Recommendation:

That the report 'Update from Council's meetings in January 2019 ' be received.

Christin Ritchie Governance Administrator

Appendix 1

Memorandum



То:	Council
From:	Ross McNeil
Date:	22 January 2019
Subject:	Top Ten Projects – status, January 2019
File:	5-EX-4

This memorandum updates the information presented to the November 2018 Council meeting. New text is *italicised*.

1. Mangaweka Bridge replacement

Following consideration of the detailed business case for a replacement bridge, the New Zealand Transport Agency has given approval to fund the pre-implementation phase. This is for the construction of a new single-lane 132m long steel plate girder bridge, 30 metres downstream of the existing bridge, and include detailed design, property acquisition, and consenting.

The business case for the replacement bridge included consideration of the existing bridge. The most economic option is to demolish it but deciding on that will be managed during the consultation and consenting process that runs in parallel with the preimplantation phase. The two councils will have the final say.

2. Upgrade of the Bulls wastewater treatment plant to meet new consent conditions

As noted in the March 2018 report, the application for a new resource consent lodged with Horizons was placed 'on-hold' pending the outcome of the business case process for the upgrade of the Marton wastewater plant. A meeting involving Infrastructure staff, Council's consent advisors and Horizons compliance staff was held to progress the consenting strategy for Bulls/Marton. However, Horizons needs clear commitment from the Council about the proposed upgrade to be confident that any interim (short term) consent is a genuine stepping stone to new long-term consent with associated plant upgrades. A full briefing was provided for the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting on 9 August 2018, together with a Districtwide strategy towards consenting. Prior to that a meeting of the Advisory Group was convened to allow a full update to be provided and discussed with them.

Subsequent to that a briefing for members of Ngati Parewahawaha was undertaken, and a similar briefing/hui offered to Ngati Apa as a pre-cursor to the preparation of the resource consent application.

The Committee recommended to Council that it confirms as its preferred option establishing a land-based disposal system for the combined Marton and Bulls wastewater flows. A renewal application for Marton was submitted on 28 September 2018 and an updated consent

application for the proposed Bulls and Marton centralisation with discharge to land is due to be submitted in May 2019.

Before then, the Committee recommended that Council agrees to commence the process to procure land, to continue advancing the design and other elements and undertake further consultation with iwi and the Bulls/Marton communities, with progress being reported to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee. Council accepted that recommendation at its meeting on 30 August 2018. *Investigations and discussions are progressing regarding the procurement of land. In addition, Council staff are considering the merits of advancing the design and construction of the Marton to Bulls wastewater pipeline. Such an approach would have the benefit of removing the discharge of treated wastewater from the Tutaenui Stream sooner than might otherwise be possible, but would rely on discharge to the Rangitikei River at Bulls.*

The NZ Defence Force has confirmed its interest in being a trade waste customer in the upgraded Bulls/Marton wastewater land disposal arrangement.

3. Upgrade of the Marton wastewater treatment plant to meet new consent conditions

The trade waste agreement with MidWest Disposal for acceptance of treated leachate at the Marton wastewater treatment plant is now in place. MidWest Disposal sought an amendment to the agreement, which was considered by Council at its July meeting and approved. Subsequently, both MidWest and Council agreed to explore further changes acknowledging that no leachate would be accepted during the summer months of minimal flow in the Tutaenui Stream.

Horizons has made it clear that lodgement of a new consent application by October 2018 will allow the current consent arrangements to apply until a new consent is issued. That consent application was lodged at the end of September 2018.

4. Upgrade of the Ratana wastewater treatment plant

The proposed programme to enable the installation of a land-based disposal of treated effluent (i.e. removal of discharge to Lake Waipu) starts from 1 July 2018 (as per the agreement with the Ministry for the Environment). Consideration is now being given to identifying the most suitable land for this disposal, following which purchase will be negotiated with the owner. Discussions with landowners are now underway.

As noted in previous reports, an application for a new consent was lodged by 30 April 2018 (the extended timeframe agreed to by Horizons), which means the existing consent continues to apply until a new consent is issued.

5. Sustainable provision of stock and irrigation water within the area now serviced by the Hunterville Rural Water Scheme, extended south to Marton, and provision of a safe, potable and affordable supply to Hunterville town

As previously noted, a site has been identified in the Hunterville Domain for a test bore for a new water source for the Hunterville township. There is cost efficiency to expand the scope of the work to include drilling the test bore and getting that bore to production status. A yield of between 200 and 400 cubic metres per day would be needed for a production bore to be viable. A new request for tender was issued to allow for the progression with a production bore should the test bore process verify good water (volume and quality).

At its meeting on 11 October 2018 (reconvened from 27 September 2018), Council awarded Contract C1096 for construction of the Hunterville Bore to Interdrill Ltd for a total of \$423,205.75 excluding GST and inclusive of 15% contingency.

Part of the capability grant recently received from the Provincial Growth Fund is being used to prepare the case for a feasibility study for a Tutaenui rural water scheme.

6. Future management of community housing

The future options and opportunities, including funding, for Council's continued management of community housing has been informed by the Government's policy position on community housing. At its meeting on 14 June 2018, the Policy/Planning Committee considered the question of moving to market rentals and its recommendations were approved at Council's meeting on 28 June 2018. All tenants have been advised (in writing) of the change, to take effect from 1 November 2018, and meetings were arranged in Taihape, Marton and Bulls at which a Work & Income representative was invited to attend (and did so). At its meeting on 13 December 2018, Council agreed to engage with Solarcity for the provision of solar power and access to the wholesale energy market for the tenants at Wellington Road and Cobber Kain Avenue community housing complexes. The contract will be finalised shortly.

The proposed upgrade programme was presented to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting in August. At its August meeting, the Policy/Planning Committee adopted a slightly amended community housing policy.

Consideration is currently being given to options/opportunities for the further development/enhancement of Council's community housing portfolio. Staff attended a Local Government New Zealand workshop on 24 October 2018 which considered policy options to propose to central government to enable councils to both maintain their current investment in social housing and expand that investment should they choose to do so.

7. Bulls multi-purpose community centre

The detailed design has been finished and an application for a building consent has been submitted. The closing date for tenders was extended to 10 August 2018. Council considered the evaluation undertaken of the tenders at its meeting on 30 August 2018 and identified a preferred contractor, W & W Construction 2010 Ltd, for subsequent negotiation by the Mayor and the Chief Executive.

There were discussions with Heritage New Zealand to gain an archaeological authority before the tender is awarded and estimates of costs were provided: these could affect the price of the tendered work. This authority is needed because the site was in human occupation before 1900. The archaeological authority was issued on 16 October 2018, but required a 15 working day + 3 day stand-down period (for appeals) before it can be actioned. Following further discussions with the preferred contractor and the JV partners regarding the final development area, Council confirmed (at its meeting on 15 November 2018) the award of the contract to W & W Construction 2010 Ltd and accepted a revised (and larger) footprint area. The target completion time remains December 2019.

Following a blessing and sod turning ceremony, W & W Construction took possession of the site on 10 December 2018. An archaeologist has been on site during the excavation for the slab: no items of significance have been found so there is no risk of delay to the project.

Work continues on sourcing further external funding for the project. In July, the Whanganui Community Foundation approved a grant of \$300,000 for the project. His Worship the Mayor has met with representatives of Te Puni Kokiri concerning funding to highlight Ngati Apa within the development. Arrangements were finalised to relocate the house made available by Central House Movers – the makeover will be a significant community project. The additional resource contribution to this project by Central House Movers has been significant. Discussions continue with potential developers of the two vacant pieces of land in Bulls owned by Council – at Walton Street and off Walker Crescent (known as Haylock Park).

8. Development of Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site in Marton for Council's administration centre and the town library

The Lottery Heritage Fund Committee declined the Council's application for a grant for a heritage feasibility precinct study for Marton's CBD. An application will shortly be made for this study to be accepted as a project to the Provincial Growth Fund: in October a capability grant of \$25,000 was approved part of which will be used to complete the detailed application required.

A business case is being prepared on the principal options for the redevelopment of the proposed civic centre site. These are the status quo (i.e. not moving from the current Administration and Library sites), demolition of all buildings on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and erecting an entirely new facility; retaining all structures on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and refurbishing; retaining facades only on the Cobbler/Davenport/Abraham & Williams site and buildings behind.

WSP-Opus submitted a draft proposal for developing the concepts designs to support the next phase of this project, which will involve community engagement. This will be the basis of an application to the Provincial Growth Fund, linking the Civic Centre project to the Heritage Precinct proposal. *Council considered this on 13 December 2018 and decided to accept the proposal for WSP Opus and requested a project plan be finalised, incorporating a community engagement phase and completion of business case to final draft status by September 2019. The work to be undertaken is, in part, a feasibility study regarding the conversation/preservation of built heritage. Lotteries will fund projects started but not completed, which is the case for this project. On that basis the project would meet the criteria for funding from Lotteries' Environment and Heritage Fund. An application to that effect will be prepared and submitted by the mid-March 2019 deadline. A decision is expected by June 2019.*

This project featured in media stories last year fronted by the Mayor on the likely impacts of the provisions of the Building (Earthquake-prone buildings) Amendment Act on rural towns like Marton. Following the meeting of Council representatives with Minister Salesa, a profile of Rangitikei's commercial building stock, including the likely extent of earthquake-prone buildings, was provided to MBIE staff, who are evaluating the policy/regulatory impacts on rural/provincial communities of the recently enacted earthquake-prone building provisions of the Building Act. A response from the Minister/MBIE is expected in the next few months.

9. Taihape Memorial Park development

While Council set out its position on the initial stage of development on Memorial Park in the draft Long Term Plan consultation document, subsequent deliberations and discussions led to

a request for a further report outlining various options and their costs. That was provided to the Assets/Infrastructure Committee's meeting on 12 July 2018. Further information was requested for consideration at the Committee's August meeting, before which a public meeting (including the Park User Group) will be held to gain clearer insights into community views and preferences.

That meeting was held on 3 August 2018 and the outcome considered by the Assets/Infrastructure Committee at its meeting on 10 August 2018. The proposed new amenities building project is on hold pending an estimate to renovate both the facilities under the Taihape grandstand as well as the grandstand itself. Colspec was engaged to undertake an initial scoping assessment; they provided a rough order cost of \$2.4 million for renovating/upgrading the grandstand.

A meeting with representatives of Clubs Taihape was arranged to clarify their proposed project on Memorial Park. The outcome was the suggestion of erecting co-located (and complementary) facilities at the end of the netball courts and leaving the grandstand as it is, apart from minor repairs. At its meeting on 30 November 2018, Council confirmed its intention to build a new amenities block at Memorial Park on the site beside the No. 3 field and incorporating a portion of the last tennis/netball court, and investigate the need for a new court in the vicinity of the ex-croquet green. Council representatives have since met with Clubs Taihape to agree a process for finalising the design for a project that would fulfil the facility requirements of both organisations. A design brief is currently being prepared.

A further development on the Park may occur. At its meeting on 13 December 2018, Council agreed to the transfer of the Taihape Bowling Club's building (as the club is winding up) and at its 28 February 2019 meeting will consider a report on how that building might meet community needs.

10. Taihape civic centre.

As previously noted, further engagement with the Taihape community to determine a preferred option for the development of the Taihape Civic Centre is planned for 2018/19. This engagement will be better informed following a final decision on the nature and scope of the development of community facilities on Memorial Park.

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Top Ten Projects – status, January 2019' to the 31 January 2019 Council meeting be received.

Ross McNeil Chief Executive

Attachment 3

Creative Communities Scheme Assessor Nomination Form



The Creative Communities Scheme (CCS) assessment committee allocates CCS funding for our district. The committee is made up of councillors and community representatives who are familiar with the broad range of local arts activity. Assessors who are community representatives can sit on the committee for a maximum of 2 x 3-year terms.

Name of nominee	
Address	
Email	
Phone	

Please mark the artforms that you have expertise in with an X:

Craft/object art	Dance	Inter-arts
Literature	Music	Ngā toi Māori
Pacific arts	Multi-artform (including film)	Theatre
Visual arts		

What other skills or knowledge would you bring to the assessment committee eg assessment skills, knowledge of a particular community, etc?

Name of person making nomination	
Email	
Phone	
Date	

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