

# Te Roopu Ahi Kaa **Meeting**

### Tuesday 9 April 2019 11.00 am

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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 12 February 2019 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-8-2

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Minutes of the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti meeting held on 12 February 2019 {as amended/without amendment} be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

#### 6 Consultation Document for the 2019/20 Annual Plan

The Consultation Document 'Unfolding 2020' will be available on the Rangitikei District Council Website from 29 March 2019. The Mayor will lead a discussion on the key issues for the Council.

#### 7 Chair's report

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

#### 8 Feedback on the Komiti's workshop

Discussion item.

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

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

#### 10 Council responses to queries raised at previous hui

There were no queries raised at the previous hui.

#### **11** Update from Council's meetings February - March 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 February - March 2019' be received.

#### 12 Values

Discussion item.

#### 13 Review of memorandum – Tūtohinga

The Tūtohinga Memorandum is attached.

#### **Recommendations:**

- 1 That the memorandum 'Review of the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga' be received.
- 2 That Ngāi Te Ohuake be added as a signatory to the MOU: Tūtohinga; being an addition to the Komiti since the last MOU review.
- 3 That Te Roopu Ahi Kaa advise Council if any other amendments/s [are/are not] sought for the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga

[and if sought]

that the komiti nominate ...... to a subcommittee, that will, along with nominated members of Council, oversee the review of the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga, and that Council be asked to nominate its members.

#### 14 Update on discussions with Ngati Waewae

Due to Ngāti Tūwharetoa/Ngāti Waewae being interested in having a relationship with several Councils and Horizons a joint meeting has been called for May 16th. If we find that we need to each have our own discussions then that will happen following our joint meeting and each Council and Horizons will engage separately.

#### **15** Horizons update

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

#### 16 Update on landlocked land

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

#### 17 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.

#### **18** State of the Environment Report

Section 35(2)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991 places an obligation on the Council to monitor the efficiency and effectiveness of its District Plan. A very brief review was undertaken in 2015; the last substantive report dates from 2005.

The review, which Tony Thomas is about to undertake, will address eight key indicators, as outlined in the attached sheet. The Komiti may wish to suggest changes or additions.

The completed review may identify technical issues unlikely to be controversial which could be included in the forthcoming District Plan.

File ref: 1-PL-1-2

#### **Recommendation:**

That the key indicators [without amendment/as amended] for the State of the Environment Report for the Rangitikei District, monitoring the efficiency and effectiveness of the District Plan be received.

#### 19 Policy and Community Planning Project and Activity Report – February 2019

A Report is attached.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the report 'Policy and Community Planning Project and Activity Report – February 2019' be received.

#### 20 Economic Development Strategy Consultation and Engagement

As the komiti will be aware, as part of the 2018-2021 Long Term Plan (LTP), Council increased its investment and efforts in the Economic Development space. Whilst LTP public consultation

has already taken place, with direction coming from elected members, staff are now in the process of creating an action plan; feeding into the development of an Economic Development Strategy. The focus of this strategy is around 'Retaining, Attracting, and Growing' both people and businesses in the district, primarily in the areas of promotion/digital platforms, incentivising growth, business networking/facilitation, education/training, and housing.

Before any significant development begins on the strategy and action plan, staff wish to engage in dialogue and workshop the above with iwi/hapū. It is the intention of staff to set a date, time and location in the coming month for this to occur, and it is appropriate that komiti members be given the time to relay this information and request that any interested person or persons contact and RSVP with Ms. Gioia Damosso (gioia.damosso@rangitikei.govt.nz) to be included in this process. Information and content for the workshop will be provided directly to those who RSVP to attend.

#### 21 Pānui/Announcements

#### 22 Late items

As accepted in item 4.

#### 23 Future Items for the Agenda

#### 24 Next meeting

11 June 2019 11.00 am (Komiti only hui from 10.00 - 11.00 am)

#### 25 Meeting closed/Karakia

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### Rangitīkei District Council

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting

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- Present:Ms Tracey Hiroa (acting Chair)Mr Thomas CurtisMs Coral Raukawa-ManuelMr Charlie MeteMr Chris ShentonMr Terry SteedmanMs Hari BenevidesHis Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson
- In attendance: Mr Michael Hodder, Community & Regulatory Services Group Manager Mr Laquan Meihana, Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua Mr Blair Jamieson, Mr George Forster, Policy Advisor Ms Christin Ritchie, Governance Administrator Mr Jerald Twomey, Kaitatari Kaupapa (Iwi) (Horizons Regional Council)
- Tabled Documents:Ngāti Tūwharetoa (Ngāti Waewae) Relationship Request<br/>Letter to Hon. Shane Jones

#### 1 Karakia/Welcome

The Chair welcomed all the members and staff who were present to the first hui of 2019. A minute's silence was given for Uncle Peter Richardson and for Aunty Beau Rangi

#### 2 Apologies

That the apologies of Mr Pahia Turia (Chair), Mr Robert Gray, Ms Kim Savage, Mr Mark Pirikahu and Ms Naumai Wipaki be received.

#### **3** Members' conflict of interest

Members were 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, that the Hunterville Signage and the Ngāti Tūwharetoa (Ngāti Waewae) Relationship Request 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

Resolved minute number19/IWI/001File Ref3-CT-8-2

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.

Mr T Curtis / Ms Raukawa-Manuel. Carried

#### 6 Chair's report

Ms Hiroa advised the Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti that she may be standing down as a member of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa and as a representative to the Policy/Planning Committee. If that occurred, the Komiti would need to looks to find a replacement representative for Policy/Planning and as the Komiti's Deputy Chair.

#### 7 Feedback on the Komiti's workshop

The Komiti discussed three key areas:

- Feedback regarding the Values based Workshop
- Engagement with Council staff Mr Lequan Meihana and Mr Blair Jamieson have met with five communities so far. Te Roopu Ahi Kaa is looking to focus on a main issue as a collective, and has decided that the priority at the stage will be the Oranga Marae.

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• External engagement with other hapū/iwi

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

There were no recommendations to Council made at the previous hui. However, Te Roopu Ahi Kaa hopes to make some recommendations to Council going forward.

#### 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)

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

Chief Executive Ross McNeil provided an update on the report:

- An agreement with Solarcity has progressed. Units will be installed at 20 properties along Wellington Rd and Cobber Kain Ave. Due to the number of installs, Solarcity have provided us with a free system (battery and 2 x panels). Council is yet to decide where this will be installed.
- Marton Water Supply the main cause of the decolourisation of the water is the chlorine (which is required by law) mixing with the manganese in the water. This does not cause any public health issues.
- Rātana Water Supply –a new filter was built and installed; however one of the internal drains had broken. This was picked up when the quality of the water deteriorated. Repairs are in progress.
- Civil Defence Emergency Improvement Plan is now due for a refresh. Outstanding issues include the use of the Taihape Hospital building and securing a radio transmission capable of reaching the entire district.
- Local Government Commission Representation review hearings will be held on 1 March at 10.30am.
- Skatepark upgrade has commenced, with a lot of support from the community.
- Putorino Landfill Horizons has agreed to issue a temporary consent to redirect the water flow away from the affected bank. A more permanent solution is being sought.

Ms Hari Benevides left the meeting at 12.03pm.

#### Resolved minute number 19/IWI/002 File Ref 3-CT-8-1

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

Ms T Hiroa / Mr C Shenton. Carried

#### 11 Values

Ms Hiroa will e-mail the Komiti, and arrange for Mr Turia to lead a hui to discuss the next steps.

#### **12** Grants update

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

#### **13** Creative Communities Asessment Committee

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

A nomination form for Ms Hari Benevides was passed onto the Grants administrator.

Resolved minute number 19/IWI/003 File Ref

That the Creative Communities Scheme assessor nomination form be received.

Ms Raukawa-Manuel / Mr C Mete. Carried

#### 14 Horizons update

Mr Twomey was unavailable to provide an update.

#### 15 Update on landlocked land

His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, has written a letter to the judge who attended the hui called by the courts, to request a meeting to gain a better understating of the process.

His Worship the Mayor has also written to Hon Shane Jones to request a meeting after an announcement was made by the Prime Minister regarding \$100 million from the Provincial Growth Fund to be used for landlocked land.

His Worship the Mayor wanted to note that his interest is not predominantly about generating more rates, but instead about the right to access. He believes economic development will bring more benefit to the district.

The acting Chair wished to thank His Worship the Mayor and Council for their involvement.

#### 16 Update on Te Pae Tawhiti

Mr Turia was not available to provide an update.

#### **17** Update on Path to Well-being Initiative

The Komiti noted the commentary in the agenda.

#### 18 Pānui/Announcements

Ms Benevides advised that their Waitangi Tribunal Hearing will be held on 18-21 March. On 17 March they are looking to have a possible field trip over the Waiouru lands, and will be inviting people from each hapū to join. An invitation will also be extended to the Crown and the Council at some point in the week.

Ms Raukawa-Manuel advised of the opening of the new wharenui at Tiniwaitara at the end of March.

Te Poho o Tuariki (Te Runanga o Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa) will have their official opening on 15 Friday at 10.00am.

#### 19 Late items

As accepted in item 4.

Hunterville Signage – the first sign has been erected, and the second is due to go up shortly.

Office of Treaty Settlements wish to engage in a formal relationship with Ngati Tuwharetoa (Ngāti Waewae)

Horizons will also be engaging with Ngati Tuwharetoa (Ngāti Waewae), and it was suggested that Te Roopu Ahi Kaa might want to attend this meeting.

It was noted that Ngāti Apa has engaged with Ngati Tuwharetoa (Ngāti Waewae), two years ago. It was suggested that Council and Ngāti Hauiti engage separately.

#### 20 Future Items for the Agenda

None suggested

#### 21 Next meeting

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

#### 22 Meeting closed/Karakia

Mr Lequan Meihana provided the karakia. Ms Hiroa thanked everyone for their attendance. The meeting closed at 12.49pm.

Confirmed/Chair:

Date:

# Attachment 2



#### Memorandum

Te Roopu Ahi Kaa
Christin Ritchie, Governance Administrator
19 March 2019
Update from Council's meetings February - March 2019
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 Annual Plan

1.1 Council is expected to adopt the Consultation Document 'Unfolding 2020' together with the draft 2019/20 Annual Plan at its meeting on 28 March 2019. Consultation runs between 1 April and 1 May 2019.

#### 2 Community location for Solarcity installation

2.1 The contract with Solarcity has yet to be finalised. Until it is, it is proposed to defer the decision on the community location to receive a free system installation.

#### 3 Re-accreditation as a Building Consent Authority

- 3.1 IANZ provided its draft assessment report on 28 February 2019, offering an opportunity for the Council to comment. The finalised report details the non-compliances found and what IAN requires to address them. Council's action plan is due with IANZ by 1 April 2019. Unless an application from the Chief Executive is made for an extension of time with respect to any of these actions, and accepted, the due date for IANZ to clear the non-compliances is 3 June 2019. This clearance must occur before reaccreditation as a Building Consent Authority is confirmed.
- 3.2 IANZ's next accreditation visit will be in February 2021.

#### 4 Sale of Marton A Dam

4.1 The panel appointed by Council has accepted an offer of \$341,250 (GST excl). There were no conditions or tags to the offer.

#### 5 National Disaster Resilience Strategy

- 5.1 On 20 February 2019, the final version of the proposed National Disaster Resilience Strategy was issued and submissions called by Parliament's Governance & Administration Committee. The due date was 28 February 2019. The Committee was required to provide its report to Parliament by 21 March 2019.
- 5.2 This tight timing meant a Council submission was not prepared. However, a submission was made by the regional Civil Defence Emergency Group to the draft issued last October.
- 5.3 The most significant change from the current strategy is the focus on building resilience, with more explicit reference to communities and community based resilience. It emphasises the need for everyone to become better prepared for disasters. This is different from the approach of the current strategy which is focussed on central and local government.

#### 6 St Johns Taihape

- 6.1 St Johns Taihape has been based out of a rental property for the past seven years. The property's owners intend putting the rental property up for sale. In the very near future Taihape St Johns will be a double crew therefore requiring more space for them to operate in. The Taihape station will be an important asset to the upper Rangitīkei area as the catchment area runs from Hunterville through to the Three Sisters on the desert road. The St Johns Taihape have land to which they would like to build an ambulance station on at a cost of \$840,000. To date they have \$60,000 \$70,000 in the bank and will be looking at fundraising to help fund the cost of building the new station.
- 6.2 National St Johns will only fund frontline operational costs and not the building of a new station. The building cost is so high because of the need to have it at IL4 standard. They do not qualify for lotteries funding. St Johns is asking Council to help with the waiver of consenting costs and providing some funding for building the new station.
- 6.3 Council agreed to consider this initially in a workshop, with proposed funding to be consulted on in the 2019/20 Annual Plan.

#### 7 Proposed sale of land at Moawhango

- 7.1 Council has received a request from an adjoining property owner to sell a vacant one hectare site on Moawhango Valley Road valuation 13290 15200. This has a rateable value of \$23,000 so the transaction is not subject to the policy on disposal of surplus land and buildings (which applies to sites with a rateable value exceeding \$50,000). Part of the site includes the former Moawhango dump, not actively used during the past twenty years but not managed as a closed landfill.
- 7.2 If there are no concerns expressed at this hui, the sale will proceed having regard for the site's rateable value. Council's Treasury management policy allow the Chief Executive to accept any offer for purchase that is over the rateable value of the property if that rateable value is less than \$100,000.

#### 8 Recommendation:

8.1 That the report 'Update from Council's meetings February -March 2019 ' be received.

Christin Ritchie Governance Administrator

## Appendix 1

#### Memorandum



File:	5-EX-4
Subject:	Top Ten Projects – status, March 2019
Date:	19 March 2019
From:	Ross McNeil
То:	Council

This memorandum updates the information presented to the February 2019 Council meeting. New text is *italicised*. Currently the Finance team is working on a more analytical and shorter monthly presentation of key financial information, including budgeted, actual and projected revenue and expenditure (including borrowing). It will show results for each group of activities, for the identified top ten projects and for other projects and programmes of interest to Council. This is expected to be ready for the reports provided to Council and the Finance/Performance Committee for the new financial year.

#### 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. *Desktop assessments of liquefaction, slope stability and settlement have been completed. Geotechnical investigations are in progress.* 

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 pre-implementation phase. The two councils will have the final say. *Heritage NZ have advised an application has been made for the existing bridge to have a heritage classification. Heritage NZ have yet to decide whether to accept the application and consider whether such a classification should be made. Council will be notified if an assessment process is to be undertaken and will have the opportunity for input.* 

#### 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. Estimated costs for the pipelines are being reviewed. Discussions to secure the necessary land for effluent disposal are continuing.

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. *At 340 metres depth water was found; investigation is now under way to determine its quality and quantity.* 

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. A draft application is being finalised and will be discussed with Government Officials prior to the formal application being lodged. The formal application is expected to be submitted during April 2019.

#### 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. *Council's decision to terminate the lease of the Queen Carnival Building at 22 Tui Street opens up this site to alternative use once that building and the Conference Hall are removed.* 

#### 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 was on site during the excavation for the slab: no items of significance were found.

During the past month on-site trades have been busy placing and installing the following.

- continued with foundation form work
- reinforcing for ground beams, basement slab, and walls
- in-ground electrical and data conduit
- in-ground plumbing
- readying the elevator pit for the concrete pour
- starting concrete pour by pouring some of the ground beams

There has also been considerable work off-site with the architect and engineers finishing structural and mechanical details. In addition, manufacturing has started of the structural steel columns and beams together with the structural concrete beams: these will be transported to the site as the build proceeds.

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 and will be a substantial contribution to external funding. It is planned to auction it early May with support from Bayleys. The additional resource contribution to this project by Central House Movers has been substantial. 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. *Lotteries will fully fund a feasibility and an application to that effect was 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.

WSP-Opus have started work on the concept designs, with the first stage being the detailed engineering assessments. This phase also includes a detailed survey of the exterior of the buildings, which was undertaken using a drone and completed at the end of February 2019. A detailed interior survey of all four buildings has also been completed.

Changes to Heritage EQUIP (the national earthquake upgrade incentive programme) announced on 11 February 2019 will benefit heritage-listed properties – up to 50% of the cost of detailed seismic assessments, conservation reports or architectural and structural engineering plans, allowing multiple applications for up to 67% of the cost of professional advice. However, historic buildings which aren't heritage-listed in the District Plan are not eligible. The Government has acknowledged this is a gap and are working on proposals in this regard.

#### 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 has been prepared and a further meeting with Clubs Taihape has been held. The design brief is close to being finalised, and once that is done a targeted RFP/EOI process will be undertaken to engage an architect for the design process. The design brief indicates two potential build options:

- 1. A 2-storey building, with the amenity facilities at ground level and the Clubs Taihape/Community facilities on the upper level
- 2. Two single level buildings connected by a covered walkway (or similar).

Clubs Taihape has a preference for option1, and to undertake the project as a single build. That would mean Council is the owner of the building and it would require all of the funding to be secured prior to the build. There are pros and cons with both design options. Ultimately, Council will need to decide which option it supports have regard to the design process outcomes and feedback from groups likely to use the facilities.

A budget provision of \$1.2 million for the amenities facility is included in the draft 2019/20 Annual Plan (with \$200,000 to be raised externally). Clubs Taihape has \$500,000 to commit to the project. While the design process will produce a cost estimate for the project, it is likely that a further \$1.5 million will be required.

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 was winding up) and at its 28 February 2019 meeting agreed to offer current users of the Taihape Women's Club in Tui Street the use of the Bowling Club building and that Council staff would manage the bookings for the facility.

#### 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 *was* planned for 2018/19, *but is now likely to be later in 2019*. This engagement will be better informed following a final decision on the nature and scope of the development of community facilities on Memorial Park, *and that looks likely to be two or three months away*.

#### Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Top Ten Projects – status, March 2019' to the 28 March 2019 Council meeting be received.

Ross McNeil Chief Executive

# Attachment 3

#### Memorandum



TO:	Te Roopu Ahi Kaa Komiti
FROM:	Lequan Meihana
DATE:	12 March 2019
SUBJECT:	Review of the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga
FILE:	4-EN-8-3

#### 1 Background

- 1.1 The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU): Tūtohinga defines a number of protocols reflecting how the Council and the Iwi of the Rangitīkei will conduct their affairs of common interest. A review is required at the same time as each Representation Review, which Council is awaiting the result of. Associated with Tūtohinga are the terms of reference for Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.
- 1.2 There is no method prescribed for the review. Previously it has been accepted that, when a comprehensive review of Tūtohinga was contemplated (rather than proposing one or specific amendments) a sub-committee would be formed with equal representation from the Komiti and the Council.
- 1.3 If the Komiti considers that Tūtohinga does not need amendment, it could simply make that recommendation to the Council.
- 1.4 Tūtohinga was last reviewed in 2012, for the MOU as it stands, see <u>Appendix 1.</u>

#### 2 Comments

- 2.1 The MOU: Tūtohinga notes that both the Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District may review the protocols of Section 2 as the application of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi continue to evolve and other principles emerge.
- 2.2 Council does not seek to amend the content of the MOU; however as Ngāi Te Ohuake have joined the Komiti since the last review they would need to be added as a signatory.
- 2.3 Council requests that Komiti members notify Council if amendment/inclusions are sought.
- 2.4 Council also seeks a position from the Komiti on whether a values based section should be/is necessary for inclusion in the MOU, either during this review or at a later date.

#### 3 Additional Considerations

3.1 MOU: Tūtohinga notes that komiti members must recommend to the Rangitīkei District Council, who will represent each Iwi and/or Hapū on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa within three months of each triennial election. The date of the election is 12 October 2019.

#### 4 Recommendations

- 4.1 That the memorandum 'Review of the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga' be received.
- 4.2 That Ngāi Te Ohuake be added as a signatory to the MOU: Tūtohinga; being an addition to the Komiti since the last MOU review.
- 4.3 That Te Roopu Ahi Kaa advise Council if any other amendments/s [are/are not] sought for the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga

#### [and if sought]

that the komiti nominate ...... to a subcommittee, that will, along with nominated members of Council, oversee the review of the Memorandum of Understanding: Tūtohinga, and that Council be asked to nominate its members.

Lequan Meihana Strategic Advisor – Mana Whenua Kairāranga Mana Whenua

## **Appendix 1**

### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TUTOHINGA

between

#### **RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL**

and

#### Te Tangata Whenua O Rangitīkei

Ngati Rangituhia

Ngati Whitikaupeka

Ngati Parewahawaha

Ngati Hauiti

Nga Ariki Turakina

Kauangaroa / Nga Wairiki

Ngati Kauae /Tauira

Ngati Hinemanu / Ngati Paki

Whangaehu

Ngati Tama Kopiri

**Rātana Community** 

#### Represented on Council by TE ROOPU AHI KAA

	Version Control	
1	1 Agreed to by Te Roopu Ahi Kaa on 10 October 2006	
	Agreed to by Council on 26 October 2006	
2	2 Amended under review by Te Roopu Ahi Kaa on 14 August 2012 (12/IWI/019)	
	Confirmed by Council 30 August 2012 (12/RDC/151)	

#### Introduction - Kupu Whakataki

This Memorandum of Understanding has been put together on the basis of:

- Both parties have entered into the Memorandum Of Understanding Tutohinga in good faith and with a view to making the partnership work.
- Both parties recognise that there may be constraints from time to time in respect of resources.
- Both parties can see mutual benefits being derived from the establishment of the Memorandum of Understanding Tutohinga.
- Both parties express the wish that their partnership will develop and become stronger over time.

#### Tutohinga

#### Memorandum Of Understanding

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District wish to enter into a number of protocols, which are intended to reflect the basis on which they will conduct their affairs of common interest.
- 1.2 For the purposes of this Memorandum, the Iwi of the District are the Tangata Whenua that hold Mana Whenua in relation to a particular area of the District. The Tangata Whenua of the District comprise the Iwi and Hapu, which are represented on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, a present standing committee of Council.
- 1.3 Iwi and Hapu acknowledge each other's tino rangatiratanga, arising from their Mana Whenua, when speaking for their area.
- 1.4 Iwi and Hapu put forward delegates to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to represent issues and consider Council policy, making resolutions and representations to Council. This clause does not preclude direct Iwi, Hapu or individual interaction with Council on issues that concern them directly.
- 1.5 For Iwi and Hapu, *Te Tiriti o Waitangi* is the starting point for determining their relationship with the Crown, its agencies and the Rangitīkei District Council.
- 1.6 Within the Rangitīkei District, the Māori community of Ratana is recognised as being integral to decision-making on Māori issues and therefore, the Ratana community, through their nominated representative, have membership of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa.
- 1.7 The Council's procedures are governed by statute, and in particular in the context of the protocols set out in Section 2 below, the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 and Resource Management Act 1991.

- 1.8 Section 10 of the Local Government Act sets out the purposes of Local Government in New Zealand. Those stated purposes are:
  - (a) to enable democratic decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
  - (b) to promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities, in the present and for the future.

One of the emphases of the Local Government Act 2002 is to place greater decision-making abilities in the hands of communities. This is particularly relevant for Māori as all the areas of well-being directly impact upon them.

1.9 Section 8 of the Resource Management Act provides as follows:

"**Treaty of Waitangi** - In achieving the purpose of this Act, all persons exercising functions and power under it, in relation to managing the use, development, and protection of natural and physical resources, shall take into account the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi (Te Tiriti o Waitangi)."

Section 4 of the Local Government Act further provides that as part of the Crown's responsibility to take appropriate account of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi, the local authority is charged with facilitating opportunities for Māori to contribute to decision-making.

- 1.10 Given the provisions of the Local Government Act and Section 8 of the Resource Management Act, the Rangitīkei District Council positively recognises that to carry out its functions appropriately, it must make appropriate provision for the specific interests of Māori in its community with particular emphasis on consultation and capacity building.
- 1.11 To enable it to make such provision, the Rangitīkei District Council must take into account the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi, subject to the provisions of clause 1.14 below.
- 1.12 The Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District acknowledge that the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi are continuing to evolve.
- 1.13 However, in a document published in 1989 by the then Labour Government, several principles were identified. They were:
  - (i) *The Kawanatanga Principle*: The Government has the right to govern and make laws.
  - (ii) *The Rangatiratanga Principle:* The Iwi have the right to organise as Iwi, and, under the law, to control their resources as their own.
  - (iii) *The Principle of Equality:* All New Zealanders are equal before the law.
  - (iv) *The Principle of Reasonable Co-operation:* Both the Government and the Iwi are obliged to accord each other reasonable co-operation on major issues of common concern.
  - (v) *The Principle of Redress:* The Government is responsible for providing effective processes for the resolution of grievances in the expectation that reconciliation can occur.

- 1.14 Both the Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District acknowledge these principles and accept that they apply to the Crown. However, they further accept that they can only apply to the Rangitīkei District Council to the extent that any empowering legislation applicable to the Rangitīkei District Council contemplates.
- 1.15 The Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District agree that the extent to which the application of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi to the Rangitīkei District Council is so contemplated by the empowering legislation, is reflected in the protocols that are set out below.
- 1.16 The Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District further agree that these protocols will need to be reviewed from time to time as the application of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi continue to evolve and other principles emerge.
- 1.17 The Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District therefore wish to agree the protocols set out in Section 2 below.
- 1.18 These protocols are intended to reflect a partnership between the Rangitīkei District Council and Iwi of the District, which is to be exercised in the utmost good faith to ensure that the needs of both Māori and the wider community will be met.

#### 2. Protocols

- 2.1 These protocols constitute policy of the Rangitīkei District Council and can be reviewed from time to time.
- 2.2 When these protocols are reviewed they must be reviewed by the Council in consultation with Te Tangata Whenua o Rangitīkei.
- 2.3 If, at the conclusion of any such consultation, agreement cannot be reached concerning the form of protocols to apply thereafter, to the extent that agreement cannot be reached, the Memorandum of Understanding shall lapse, (i.e., the Memorandum shall only lapse in relation to those matters on which agreement cannot be reached).
- 2.4 Further, if following that consultation, further protocol(s) are agreed, they can be added to the Memorandum of Understanding by way of amendment and without otherwise affecting the protocols earlier entered into unless any earlier protocol(s) also need to be amended due to the further protocols agreed.
- 2.5 Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, as a Standing Committee of the Rangitīkei District Council, may recommend to the Rangitīkei District Council, any changes to the representation of Iwi and/or Hapu on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa from time to time.
- 2.6 Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, as a Standing Committee of the Rangitīkei District Council, must recommend to the Rangitīkei District Council, who will represent each Iwi and/or Hapu on Te Roopu Ahi Kaa within three months of each triennial election.

- 2.7 The Council's total financial liability pursuant to these protocols shall be determined by the Rangitīkei District Council following consultation with Te Roopu Ahi Kaa annually as part of the Council's annual planning process.
- 2.8 Te Roopu Ahi Kaa will be responsible for the provision, and satisfactory delivery, of the work specified below for, and on behalf of, the Tangata Whenua of the Rangitīkei District.
  - (i) To review the relevant processes of Council and make recommendations on steps to be taken to assist Council in carrying out its functions and responsibilities in a bicultural manner taking into account the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.
  - (ii) To develop draft proposals which recognise the Tangata Whenua of the Rangitīkei District's Kaitiakitanga (the exercise of Guardianship) and Rangatiratanga in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government Act, 2002.
  - (iii) To provide advice and assistance with the Council's Policies, Bylaws, Rating and Funding, Strategic Plan, Annual Plan and other activity plans (ie, recreation, library, transport, etc).
  - (iv) Te Roopu Ahi Kaa will support and assist the Council to discharge its obligations to the Tangata Whenua in relation to procedures and issues that arise under the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government Act 2002.
  - (v) To respond on appropriate issues including, but not limited to, notified resource consent applications where the Council is required to determine issues relating to the management, use, development and protection of the District's physical resources.
  - (vi) To ensure appropriate persons are consulted or available to provide such information as may be required from time to time on items of interest to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa and/or the Rangitīkei District Council.
  - (vii) Te Roopu Ahi Kaa will support and assist the Council in establishing the steps necessary to build Māori capacity to contribute to its decision-making processes.
  - (viii) In carrying out (i) to (vi) above, it will ensure that Tangata Whenua groups are consulted, including the arranging of hui when agreed and to keep the Council advised of outcomes or decisions reached.
- 2.9 The Council will otherwise be responsible as follows:
  - (i) To ensure that consultation takes place in instances where Council is the applicant for a resource consent and as otherwise required pursuant to the provisions of the Resource Management Act 1991.
  - (ii) To ensure that consultation takes place prior to and during the preparation of Council's Bylaws, Rating and Funding Policy, Strategic Plan, Annual Plan and other activity plans. This will normally mean prior to the adoption by the Council of the draft documents and before the documents are put out for initial public consultation. The Council

will ensure that sufficient information and time is made available to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to determine what issues, if any, require further investigation and/or consultation.

- (iii) The obligation of consultation will be carried out for the purpose of defining any issues of concern to Iwi of the District, to identify any reports that may be required to address such issues and to otherwise determine the methodology and resources (financial or otherwise) necessary to properly achieve Protocols 2.9 (i) and (ii), and such consultation will otherwise be conducted in a manner which is consistent with a rigorous process of consultation appropriate to the circumstances of any particular issue.
- (iv) That Council develops, in consultation with Te Roopu Ahi Kaa, steps to build Māori capacity for contributing to its decision-making processes.
- (v) In undertaking any consultation, both parties will ensure that the timeframes otherwise specified in any relevant legislation are complied with.
- (vi) The Council will ensure that Te Roopu Ahi Kaa is kept informed of all progress in relation to the preparation of the District Plan and any reviews or variation thereto after that plan becomes operative.
- (vii) That the Council Officers will provide information and advice to Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to enable the Rangitīkei District Council to meet its obligations outlined in Protocols 2.9 (i) and 2.9 (ii) of the Memorandum of Understanding.
- (viii) Where the Council requires Te Roopu Ahi Kaa to undertake any work, which is not otherwise identified in the Memorandum of Understanding, that work will be specified in a separate consultancy agreement.

#### 3. Indemnity

3.1 At no time will the Council bear responsibility or liability in respect of any unlawful action arising out of the conduct of Te Roopu Ahi Kaa or its agents.

#### 4. Dispute

- 4.1 If any disputes arise concerning the interpretation or application of these protocols, the parties will mutually agree the appointment of an independent mediator, with a view to the parties reaching agreement by way of mediation concerning that dispute.
- 4.2 If no such agreement can be reached following mediation, any disaffected party must thereafter be free to pursue any legal remedy that may otherwise be available to it, should it choose to do so.

#### 5. Vires

- 5.1 The application of these protocols must at all times be subject to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 (and any amendments or re-enactment thereof), the Resource Management Act 1991 (and any amendments or re-enactments thereof) and/or any other legislation applicable to the process being undertaken pursuant to these protocols from time to time.
- 5.2 The Rangitīkei District Council and Te Roopu Ahi Kaa hereby both acknowledge that the interpretation, application and operation of these protocols is at all times subject to the relevant empowering legislation.

#### 6. Review

6.1 The Memorandum of Understanding: Tutohinga will be reviewed at the same time as each Representation Review.

# Attachment 4

### Rangitikei District Council – State of the Environment Report 2019: Monitoring the efficiency and effectiveness of the District Plan

#### Proposed eight key indicators:

#### 1. Subdivision.

The key concerns relating to subdivision include:

a. The Rural Living Zone. This zone has not achieved the outcomes sought particularly in relation to Objective 9 of the District Plan which seeks to provide Rural Lifestyle Living in specified areas around existing settlements.

b. The ongoing pressure for rural subdivisions that do not meet minimum lot sizes. Related to this are concerns that the approval of these applications (whist considered on their individual merits) is collectively undermining the Objectives and Policies of the District Plan particularly in areas of Class 1 and 2 soils. There is also the absence of rules related to such applications being 'controlled' or 'non-complying' activities.

c. The absence of any rules in the Rural zone that relate to sites that contain a combination of versatile and non-versatile soils.

#### 2. Dwelling density.

The District Plan allows two dwellings per lot regardless of size. Consideration should be given to a rule that relates dwelling density to lot size.

#### 3. Dwelling proximity.

The Rural zone rule that limits the distance between dwellings does not distinguish between dwellings on the same lot or on adjacent lots.

#### 4. The Residential zone.

Are the rules suitable to achieve the appropriate levels of urban design? In particular;

- a. Is 400m2 the appropriate minimum size?
- b. Should there be more focus on visual assessments for non-compliance with the rules?
- c. Should there be 'tighter' rules around the building envelopes?

#### 5. Natural Hazards

- a. Is there a need to review the wording of the rules?
- b. Taihape West Slip zone.

#### 6. Noise Rules.

The suitability of these rules having regard to reverse sensitivity.

#### 7. Regional Environmental Issues.

Liaison is required with Horizons and Hawkes Bay Regional Councils regarding any State of the Environment issues that they have identified of relevance to the Rangitikei District and this work.

#### 8. Any matters under consideration for the next District Plan Review.

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# Attachment 5

#### Report



TO:	Policy/Planning Committee
FROM:	Blair Jamieson, Strategy & Community Planning Manager
DATE:	14 March 2019
SUBJECT:	Policy & Community Planning Project and Activity Report – February 2019
FILE:	1-CO-4-8

#### 1 Background

- 1.1 This report summarises the programmes, activities and focus areas of staff within the Policy & Community Planning Team. Added commentary is provided where necessary.
- 1.2 This report also covers applications for external funding made by Council.
- 1.3 This report covers the month of February 2019.

#### 2 Economic Development

2.1 The review of Economic Development activities and outcomes rests with the Finance/Performance Committee.

#### **3** Community Engagement & Development

3.1 The following highlights the key programmes, activities and progress of staff in this area.

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period
Township Signage	<u>Hunterville</u> The first of the Hunterville signs was installed on 1 February 2019. The installation of the second sign is dependant on contractors. Staff are awaiting confirmation for this to proceed.
	Taihape The signage has been produced, with staff ideally looking to have the signs installed before the gumboot day event.
	<u>Bulls</u> No progress during this period. The outcome of the Māori place name for Bulls is still with Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Raukawa (Ngāti Parewānui) for a decision.

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period
	In relation to the design of the bull to be used in the signage the Bulls Community Committee have sought a variation to the process. No progress has been made during this period.
	Turakina Staff are awaiting notification of the Glasgow tartan to apply to the design. Once the tartan has been supplied to staff, the signage can be produced and installed within two weeks.
	Mangaweka Staff await the Heritage Committee to provide the appropriate consultation pathway for the community.
Project Marton Health Network Meeting	No progress for this period.
Facilitator: Project Marton	
Taihape Network Meeting	No progress for this period.
Facilitator: Mokai Patea Services	
Healthy Families Strategic Leadership Team	Mr Jamieson has been confirmed for reappointment onto the leadership team. The first of the revised meetings has been set for 21 March 2019.
Facilitator: Te Oranganui	

#### 4 Youth Development

4.1 The following highlights the key programmes, activities and progress of staff in this area.

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period
Youth Space - Taihape	The Lobby Taihape is continuing to be popular and well run by Mokai Patea Services. During a heavy 10 minute downpour on Thursday 21 February, which resulted in a substantial leak, The Lobby Taihape was closed for 4 days while repairs and electrical checks were completed.
Youth Space – Marton	The Lobby Marton has started the Kickstart Breakfast Club every weekday morning in conjunction with Rangitikei College with daily support from members of their leadership team. This has yet to receive buy in from other students, with

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period
	those that have attended playing pool and not eating. The leadership team are brainstorming ideas to get it off the ground such as a milo morning.
Youth Council	The month of February was heavily dominated with the Rangitikei Youth Council. Ms Gower presented to interested students at both Rangitikei College and Taihape Area School. A presentation was also offered to Nga Tawa, however declined due to the number of students already committed to applying. In total 21 high quality applications were received and were all deserving of being 'shortlisted'. For the interest of the committee the make of the applications were as follows:
	<ul> <li>3 applications from Rangitikei residents that school outside of the district, one from each Cullinane College, Freyburg High and Feilding High School. All were selected.</li> <li>5 applications from Nga Tawa, two were selected.</li> <li>7 applications from Rangitikei College, 3 were selected</li> <li>5 applications from Taihape Area School, 3 were selected</li> <li>1 applications from a school leaver, not selected</li> <li>Out of 21, 5 were male. 2 have been selected, 1 from Marton 1 from Taihape</li> </ul>
	Ms Ritchie accompanied Ms Gower in interviewing the students. All candidates reinforced their ability and passion to join youth council, which made for a very difficult decision in only being able to select 11.
Youth Website & Brand Development	A draft version of the TRYB website has been presented to staff. Staff alongside the developer will continue to make changes ideally being able to present the proposed website at the following committee meeting.
Networking	Two meetings with Ministry Youth Workers, collaborating on how to assist schools with supporting students behaviour and mental wellbeing. Additional meetings included the A25 Meeting in Palmerston North and attending the Mokai Patea Services Network Hui.

#### 5 Iwi/Hapū Engagement & Development

5.1 The following highlights the key programmes, activities and progress of staff in this area.

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period
Te Poho o Tuariki	The policy team staff attended the Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa opening ceremony for on Friday, February 15. Hundreds gathered at the new Te Poho o Tuariki grounds with staff and elected members there to tautoko for this new era for the rūnanga.
Marae Engagement	Mr Meihana was invited and attended a hui at Opaea Marae, Taihape. This was the first visit to the Ngāti Tamakōpiri under Councils Oranga Marae programme; being part of the Māori responsiveness framework.



#### 6 Policy Engagement

6.1 The following highlights the external activities of staff in this area.

Programme/Activity	Progress For This Period				
	No progress for this period.				

#### 7 Funding

7.1 An update on all funding applications is summarised in <u>Appendix 1</u>.

#### 8 Recommendations

That the report 'Policy & Community Planning Project and Activity Report – February 2019' be received.

Blair Jamieson Strategy & Community Planning Manager

## Appendix 1

Fund	Project description	How much	Desired outcomes and milestones	Lead Agency	Council role	Policy Team Role	Status	Final report due
Community Facilities Fund, Lottery	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre (\$700,000 applied for)	\$500,000	To develop the centre in Bulls	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Successful - Reporting Required	Following project completion
Mid-Sized Tourism Facilitites Fund	Public toilets in visitor hotspots	\$140,000	Toilets in Mangaweka, Bulls River, Papakai Park and Bruces Reserve	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Successful - Reporting Required	Dec 2017 - extension sought
JBS Dudding Trust	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre	\$200,000	To develop the centre in Bulls + ongoing support to libraries	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Successful - Reporting Required	To be advised
Health Promotion Agency Community Partnership Fund	Support for the Swim for All Programme. Free swimming lessons for Taihape	\$5,000.00	Children up to 4 years of age will have access to free swimming lessons in Taihape (as is already the case with sponsorship in Marton)	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Successful - To be carried forward 2018/19	To be advised
Freshwater Improvement Fund	Contribution to the Upgrade of the Ratana Wastewater treatment	\$875,000	To dispose of treated effluent to land rather than Lake Waipu	Horizons	Support Agency	None	Successful - Pending Works	To be advised
Whanganui Community Foundation	Capital contribution to the Bulls multi-purpose community centre	\$300,000	To contribute to the costs of construction for the Bulls community centre.	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Co-prepared application, present to decision makers, reports back to funder	Successful - Pending Payment	To be advised
Pub Charity	Marton Skatepark Extension	\$ 80,000.00	To contribute to the cost of construction of the Marton Skatepark extension	RDC	Fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Lodged	February 2019
Tourism Infrastructure Fund	Ablution and toilet facilities at Santoft Domain	tbc	To contribute to community-led upgrade: facilities for users of the Domain, both locals and people from Te Araroa Walkway	RDC	Fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Lodged	To be advised
Wanganui Community Foundation (Quick Response Grant	Swim 4 All	\$5000 (\$7051 requested)	To run the Swim 4 All programme.	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Contributed to application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder.	Successful - Reporting Required	Nov-19

Kiwi Sport	Swim 4 All	\$ 7,051.00	To run the Swim 4 All programme.	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Contributed to application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder.	Successful - Reporting Required	Apr-19
Te Uru Rākau	Marton B&C Dam Development	\$ 73,000.00	Contribution for a native planting restoration programme	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	None	Successful - Pending Works	To be advised
Ministry of Youth Development	Youth Development Funding Stream	tbc	tbc	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Lodged	
Ara Taiohi	Youth Week Grant	\$1,000	Rangitikei Youth Awards 2019	RDC	Lead agency, fundholder	Prepared application, holds funds, manages project, reports back to funder	Lodged	
Upcoming		\$2,100,000						