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TE RŌPŪ AHI KĀ MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 19 May 2026
Time: 11.00am
Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Tumuaki: Ms Piki Te Ora Hiroa, (Ngāti Whitikaupeka)

Tumuaki Tuarua: Ms Kim Savage (Ngāti Parewahawaha)

Nga mema: Dr Heather Gifford (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauiti), Ms Marj Heeney (Ngāi Te Ohuake), Ms Moira Raukawa (Ngāti Tamakopiri), Dr Mike Paki (Ngā Ariki Turakina), Dr Katarina Gray-Sharp (Ngāti Rangī), Mr Jordan Winiata-Haines (Ngāti Hinemanu/Ngāti Paki), Ms Grace Tairaoa (Ratana Pa), Ms Gaylene Nepia (Ngāti Kauae Ngā Taurā), Cr Coral Raukawa, Cr Alan Buckendahl, HWTM Andy Watson

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Notice is hereby given that a Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Tuesday, 19 May 2026 at 11.00am.

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AGENDA

1 Karakia / Prayer

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

1.1 The minutes from **Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting held on 14 April 2026** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting - 14 April 2026**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meeting held on 14 April 2026 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

MINUTES

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Mr Jordan Winiata-Haines (Ngāti Hinemanu/Ngāti Paki) (Zoom)
Ms Grace Taiaroa (Ratana Pa)
Dr Heather Gifford (Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hauti)
Dr Mike Paki (Ngā Ariki Turakina)
Cr Alan Buckendahl
Cr Dave Wilson

Manuhiri: Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Katrina Gray, Group Manager – Strategy, Community and Democracy
Ms Joanne Manuel, Manager Mana Whenua and Community Hubs
Ms Fran Pere, Mana Whenua Strategic Advisor
Mr Paul Chaffe, Senior Emergency Management Advisor
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor
Ms Crystal Johnston, Executive Assistant – Group Managers

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7 Follow up Actions

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meetings

Item 2 – Northern and Southern tour of Marae in the District

The Komiti noted that the Northern Marae Tour was undertaken in March. It was further noted that the CE met with Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa, and they have offered to host councillors on a tour of their business. The Southern Marae Tour will be undertaken separately.

The Komiti noted that care should be taken to use precise language when referring to Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa, specifically using the Rūnanga when referring to the organisation.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/016

That the report Follow-up Action Items from Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Meetings be received.

Dr M Paki/Dr H Gifford. Carried

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui April 2026

The Chair provided a verbal report.

The Komiti discussed the pōwhiri for Central Districts Water. An explanation was provided on the purpose and process of a pōwhiri, including aspects that were not undertaken correctly.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/017

That the Chair's Report, Including Updates from Pre-Hui April 2026 be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Ms K Savage. Carried

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Marae Development Fund

Ms P Hiroa, Ms M Heeney, and Ms M Raukawa declared conflicts of interest in relation to this item.

The Komiti noted that two applications were received for the current round, from Opaea Marae and Moawhango Marae with a total of \$16,446 in funding available. Opaea requested \$15,000, while Moawhango's application was incomplete, pending quotes.

It was noted that the absence of financial information from Moawhango made it difficult to make a fully informed decision.

Ms P Hiroa, Ms M Heeney, and Ms M Raukawa left the meeting at 11.51am.

It was agreed that an extra meeting would be held to further consider the applications and provide further time for information to be received from Moawhango marae.

Ms P Hiroa, Ms M Heeney, Ms M Raukawa returned at 12:05pm

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/018

That the report Marae Development Fund be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Dr H Gifford. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/019

That the applications for the Marae Development Fund are closed.

Mr J Winiata-Haines/Dr M Paki. Carried

9.2 Adoption of Anga Whakahaere and Code of Conduct for Te Rōpū Ahi Kā

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/020

That the report Adoption of the Te Anga Whakahaere and Code of Conduct be received.

Ms P Hiroa/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/021

That Te Rōpū Ahi Kā approves Te Anga Whakahaere without amendments.

Dr H Gifford/Ms G Taiaroa. Carried

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Mana Whenua-Strategic Advisor Report

Officers mentioned the positive feedback from the councillors that attended the Northern Tour.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/022

That the report Mana Whenua Strategic Advisor be received.

Ms M Heeney/Dr M Paki. Carried

10.2 Request for Information CDEM

Officers advised that a draft Community Response Plan for Rātana is currently in development, and that Rātana will be recognised as a response centre once the plan is finalised and signed off. Officers were unable to confirm the Horizon Regional Councils level of involvement.

Members sought clarification on the distinction between hubs and centres. It was explained that response centres are formally identified within response plans, while hubs are informal, community-designated places to gather. Welfare hubs are formal centres, whereas community emergency hubs are more informal.

Members queried the role of the Komiti within an Emergency Operations Centre (EOC). Officers advised that the iwi liaison role within the EOC is currently undertaken by officers, and that Komiti members may instead have roles within their respective marae.

Members also asked whether situation reports (sitreps) would be provided to the Komiti via the iwi liaison. Officers confirmed this could occur, although this level of reporting has not been generated since 2004. For smaller events, sitreps are typically provided by the CDEM Group Office in conjunction with Horizons.

Members also noted that Opaea Marae has been working with Horizons on Civil Defence planning. Officers advised that discussions held with Horizons are not always communicated to Council, and that assumptions should not be made regarding information sharing between agencies.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/023

That the report Request for Information – CDEM be received.

Dr K Gray-Sharp/Dr M Paki. Carried

10.3 Project Update Report - March 2026

Dr K Gray-Sharp left the meeting at 12:45pm.

Cr Wilson noted the report is high level.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/024

That the report 'Project Updates Report – March 2026' be received.

Dr H Gifford/Ms M Heeney. Carried

10.4 External consultations update - April 2026

Officers noted the submissions process.

ITEM 6.1

ATTACHMENT 1

The Komiti questioned the consultation on the access to cash for Rātana and if this meant there would be an ATM made available to the community. Officers explained that a multi-bank site is proposed that would provide a range of services.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/025

That the report External consultations update – April 2026 be received.

Cr A Buckendahl/Dr M Paki. Carried

10.5 Mayor's Report - March 2026

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/IWI/026

That the Mayor's Report – March 2026 be received.

Ms K Savage/Cr A Buckendahl. Carried

The meeting closed at 1:06pm

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Te Rōpū Ahi Kā Komiti held on 9 June 2026.

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Chairperson

Unconfirmed

7 Reports for Decision

7.1 Marae Development Fund 2025/26

Author: Katrina Gray, Group Manager - Strategy, Community and Democracy

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Chief Executive

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 This report is for the Kōmiti to consider requests made to the Marae Development Fund for the 2025/26 year.

2. Context

- 2.1 The Marae Development Fund Policy specifies that in September / October each year applications to the fund would be called for and sets out the criteria and process. The report calling for applications came to the meeting on the 07 October 2025. At the 14 April 2026 meeting, the Komiti put decision-making on hold to enable time for quotes to be received by a second applicant, and scheduled an extra meeting.
- 2.2 A total of **\$16,446** is available in the Marae Development Fund for allocation for 2025/26.
- 2.3 The purpose of the fund is to assist with marae projects that enhance facilities and infrastructure in alignment with the policy.

3. Applications received

- 3.1 The Kōmiti has received a request from Ōpaea Marae requesting \$15,000 for an additional sheltered roof area between the wharekai and the walkway to the ablution block.
- 3.2 The Kōmiti has also received a request from Moawhango Marae requesting \$8,000 for the painting and priming of the Te Rina Wharekai.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no further financial implications as the Marae Development receives annual funding through Council's budgeting processes.

5. Impact on Strategic Risks

- 5.1 The impact on Council's risk is considered low, where:
 - 5.1.1 Failure to honour the commitments of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, if the budget is unspent this could have an impact on Marae across the district.

6. Strategic Alignment

- 6.1 The annual allocation of funds to Marae Development aligns with Council's Strategic Direction with "being a trusted partner with iwi" and "working collaboratively to improve community wellbeing" being the key drivers from the strategic framework.

6.2 Marae Development aligns with the Māori Responsiveness Framework in particular with the Outcome Area “Resource and Infrastructure’ that Council ensures and supports appropriate infrastructure is in place for service delivery at marae and rural Māori communities.

7. Mana Whenua Implications

7.1 Members of the Kōmiti are asked to consider all applications, therefore there are no additional implications identified.

8. Climate Change Impacts and Consideration

8.1 There are no climate change impacts associated with this report, any improvements to Marae undertaken using this fund will only have a positive impact

9. Statutory Implications

9.1 There are no statutory implications identified.

10. Conclusion

10.1 For the 2025/26 year, \$16,446 is available in the Marae Development Fund. Two applications to the value of \$23,000 have been received.

11. Decision Making Process

11.1 This report is not considered significant under Council’s Significance and Engagement Policy. Budgets are considered during the development of the Long Term and Annual Plans.

Recommendation 1

That the report Marae Development Fund 2025/26 be received.

Recommendation 2

That Te Rōpū Ahi Kā recommends to Council that the Marae Development funding for the 2025/26 financial year is allocated as follows:

- Ōpaea Marae \$_____
- Moawhango Marae \$_____

8 Meeting Closed.