

# **Turakina Community Committee Meeting**

# **Agenda**

Date: Thursday 1 April 2021

Venue: Turakina School, State Highway 3,

Turakina

#### Chair

Laurel Mauchline Campbell

Deputy Chair

James Bryant

### Membership

Kathleen Bayler, Duran Benton, June MacDonald, Carol Neilson, Linda O'Neill, Anne Rice, His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson, Councillor Brian Carter and Councillor Waru Panapa

# The quorum for the Turakina Community Committee is 6 including 1 Elected Member.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 31 October 2019) 11.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, ie half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

#### Purpose of the committee:

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To also provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation of \$1.00 per rateable property for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided
- Particularly, to help to ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure in the appropriate manner through promoting the use of the Request for Service procedure and advising community members on how to use the Request for Service procedure.
- To be the first point of contact (prior to Council) for community groups. Where this is not possible the Committee will be informed of the approach by the community group to the Council.
- Applications for the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund are considered and commented on by the Committee prior to the application being considered by Council.
- Placemaking initiatives that are taking place on Council land, will be considered and commented on by the Committee before the application is considered by the Chief Executive.
- To engage with wider/smaller communities of the ward represented.

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# Notice is hereby given that a Turakina Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Turakina School, State Highway 3, Turakina on Thursday, 1 April 2021.

# **Order Of Business**

| 1 | Apolog | gies               | 3 |
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# **AGENDA**

- 1 Apologies
- **2** Confirmation of Minutes

## Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 4 February 2021 {as amended/without recommendation} be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

# **Turakina Community Committee Meeting**



# **Minutes**

Date: Thursday, 4 February 2021 – 7.30pm

Venue: Ben Nevis Hotel, State Highway 3,

Turakina

#### Chair

Laurel Mauchline Campbell

Deputy Chair

James Bryant

# Membership

Kathleen Bayler, Duran Benton, June MacDonald, Carol Neilson, Linda O'Neill, Anne Rice His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson and Councillor Waru Panapa

Present: Laurel Mauchline Campbell

James Bryant Kathleen Bayler Duran Benton Carol Neilson Linda O'Neill Anne Rice

His Worship the Mayor

Cr Panapa Cr Brian Carter

| 1. | Apologies   |
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| 1. | Apologies were received from his worship, The Mayor and June McDonald   |
|    | Bayler / Benton Carried   |
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| 2. | Confirmation of Minutes from previous meeting   |
|    | Taken as read.  |
|    | Resolution: That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on E  |
|    | That the Minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 5 November 2020 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.  |
|    | O'Neill / Bryant Carried  |
| 3. | Chair's Report  |
|    | A verbal report was provided. The Chair read the email from Pater Beggs giving the changes to the way Community Committees will operate. The following concerns were raised;  |
|    | The lack of consultation before these decisions were made   |
|    | The time between meetings means that the Committee will not have an opportunity to comment on many Council items. An example of this is immediate in that under the 3 monthly arrangement TCC will not meet again until after the LTP consultation process has ended. |
|    | A general concern that the Community Committees are not valued and may be phased out  |
|    | The concern of other Community Committees about the lack of consultation as Chairs have been in contact about this.   |
|    | Resolution:   |
|    | That the verbal 'Chairs Report' to the 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 Turakina Community Committee be received.  |
|    | Mauchline Campbell / Benton Carried   |
|    | Resolution:   |
|    | That the Turakina Community Committee recommends to Council that the meeting times for all Community Committees be returned to 2 monthly in order to allow the Community Committees to fully carry out their remit of information, communication and consultation     |
|    | Mauchline Campbell / Rice Carried   |
| 4. | Update on the proposed dry vault toilet for Turakina  |
|    | Resolution: That the report 'Update on the proposed dry vault toilet in Turakina' to the 4 February 2021 Turakina Community Committee be received.  Bryant / Bayler Carried   |
| 5. | Mayoral Update  |
|    | Taken as read.  |
|    | Resolution:   |
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|     | That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 4 February 2021 Turakina Community Committee be received.   |
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|     | Bayler/ Rice Carried   |
| 6.  | Placemaking  |
|     | Painting of the bus shelter will proceed shortly. No further contact has been made by Whangaehu re picnic tables.                        |
| 7.  | Small projects Grant Scheme update – January 2021  |
|     | Taken as read.   |
|     | Resolution:  |
|     | That the memorandum 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – January 2021' to the 4 February 2021 Turakina Community Committee be received. |
|     | Mauchline Campbell / Bryant Carried  |
| 8.  | Late Items   |
|     | Co-option of a new member for the Committee  |
|     | Resolution:  |
|     | That Tina Duxfirld be co-opted as a member of the Turakina Community Committee.  |
|     | Neilson / Mauchline Campbell Carried   |
| 9.  | Future Items for the Agenda  |
|     | Speed limits in Turakina Village and turning lanes at Whangaehu and the Turakina Valley Road for discussion                              |
| 10. | Next meeting   |
|     | Thursday, 6 May 2021 – 7.30pm  |

# 3 CHAIR'S REPORT

# 3.1 CHAIR'S REPORT

Author: Laurel Campbell, Chair

A verbal report will be provided at the meeting.

# **Recommendation:**

That the Chair's report be received.

# 4 MAYORAL UPDATE

#### 4.1 MAYORAL UPDATE

Author: His Worship the Mayor, Andy Watson

Things have been exceptionally busy lately and I will try and deal with the major items in front of us at the moment.

1. Last week we had a series of meetings with communities to discuss the LTP (Long Term Plan). This consultation process is essentially about what Council's vision is for the next 10 years, what work will be done and how will it be paid for. As previously reported this is the most difficult process, I have been involved in. Covid and the potential aggregation of the Three Waters (to be discussed later) have taken their toll on the limited staffing resources we have. Finalising the budgets for our Long Term Plan document has been difficult within this environment, all of which needs to be adopted by Council and approved by Audit. AuditNZ has also been challenged by its resourcing.

The consequence is that the Long Term Plan discussions have been held without the formal LTP Consultation Document which has not been ideal. I have offered to return to the communities to carry on the conversation over the final document once it is available. However, the Long Term Plan meetings have been about direction and assumed positions and I urge you to engage with your communities wherever possible over the LTP.

2. On 11 March several Councillors and staff had meetings in Palmerston North with the Zone 3 Councils. These are the Councils essentially representing the central North Island. At those meetings we were told more around the Three Waters. The Three Waters is the aggregation model possibilities for the supply and delivery of drinking water, waste-water and stormwater. I have reported on this previously and my comments at the time were that there was a need for public consultation within the LTP timeframes, however we didn't have the information available as to what it may look like. The meeting on 11 March was the most informative of what has been a very long process so far. Unfortunately there are still many essential parts of the model that need to be developed. Some of the changes that we are now aware of are that instead of it being an "opt-in" model for Councils, it is now an "opt-out" model. In other words, we agree to the aggregation and if we don't like it we have to formally opt out. This may seem like a very subtle distinction but the implication is that it will be nearly universally adopted. For the first time we got a look at where the boundaries of each new entity could lie and there was much discussion around whether those boundaries be territorial, catchment (i.e. river system boundaries) or aligned also to Iwi boundaries. One of the tentative models put forward interested me because it showed Northland as a standalone district. My personal interpretation of that would be that Government has been given a very clear steer that Auckland City may opt out. Auckland is of course our largest metropolitan authority by a very significant way and to gain efficiencies of provision of these services I would have thought it was essential that Auckland was part of it. However I am musing on my thoughts rather than established fact.

We do now know that Government has said that the timeframes could be slightly longer than first indicated which could allow for some consultation in an Annual Plan process next year. We also know that if an authority has spent significant money to upgrade their plants and has a debt that if they offer not to opt out then the debt, along with the plants, would be transferred to any new authority. Government went to some length at the meeting to provide protection around any new entity, stating that it could not be privatised and there would be a shareholding base.

So where are my principle concerns? They centre around the lack of knowledge but also the timeframes to allow consultation. Councils are routinely requested to attend meetings and briefings and our Chief Executive and staff are well informed as information becomes available. My principle worry is lwi. They are very much part of this mix and it appears to me the consultation with them has been incredibly poor to date. Council has an engagement process with lwi through Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa where representatives of each lwi sit at the Council table. I suspect that they will end up saying that they don't have a mandate to make a decision on behalf of their lwi and that this consultation needs to back to the marae base or rohe base engagement process.

- 3. On 21 March the new Youth Council was put in place. I welcome the new Youth Councillors and unfortunately this year, while I was able to go to their Foundation Meeting, was not able to spend the entire weekend with them. I wish them well and it is up to Council and the community to involve them wherever we possibly can.
- 4. At the moment we are asked routinely to submit to a number of Regional Plans and Government positions. This is challenging with the resource base that we have available but incredibly important because if we don't have our say at the time of submissions we are not party to the ongoing discussions that come out of those submissions. One example has been the need to submit to the Regional Transport Plan which sets priorities for the approval of Government funding within the greater region. I have asked the Chief Executive to submit to this, highlighting the Napier-Taihape Road, bus and commuter transport and the rail hub that we are developing in Marton. This submission will form part of the reports to Council and I would endorse its adoption.
- 5. There have been a large number of community type events at this time of year with planning of several more to come. I have attended the Rural Games in Palmerston North and been to events in Taihape such as the duck race. I commend organisations such as Matt Hobbs Plumbing that are using these events to raise funds for organisations like St Johns.
- 6. Lastly, I will finish with reporting on an 8am meeting held on 1 March on the Kuripapango boundary bridge between us and Hastings. To give an idea of scale of our district, for me to attend that meeting I needed to be on the road by 5.45am. The process around the bridge closure has not been perfect. Council was unaware of contracts that were put in place by Hastings District Council resulting in the road closure of the Gentle Annie for an extended period of time. My apologies go to the farmers and station owners on especially the Gentle Annie Road. The summer is of course the time when most of the transport related farm work takes place. The alternative route for a station like Ngamatea or Timahanga involves hundreds of extra kilometres of transport. A resultant Zoom call prior to the bridge closure oragnised by Hastings District Council Deputy Mayor Tania Kerr was appreciated by the

owners and they focussed on "Where To From Here?" rather than seeking to place blame. I thank them for their attitude.

# **Mayors Engagement**

# March 2021

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| 1           | Kuripapango Bridge Powhiri for commencement of works   |
| 2           | Online Climate Change Risk Assessment Workshop LTP Consultation Meeting with Pasifika Groups   |
| 3           | Attended a Traffic Safety Meeting with residents around a subdivision Online TUIA Mayoral Training Workshop  |
| 4           | Online Zone 3 Meeting  Meeting re noise complaint issues on local worksite  Onsite meeting at Ratana Playground  |
| 5           | Zoom – Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting Opened an exhibition in Palmerston North  |
| 7           | Met with ratepay in Sicely Street  Attended Kohitangata Trust Meeting  |
| 8           | Zoom – Mayoral Taskforce for Jobs Meeting  Meeting with Taihape Area School Principal  Meeting with Susan at Hautapu Pine  Meeting with ratepayer at Taihape Town Hall  Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Meeting  Rotary Meeting |
| 9           | Fortnightly Teleconference Regional Chiefs' Transport Matters  Meeting with Oceania Healthcare  LTP Consultation Meeting with Business Groups at Bulls Community Centre  |

| 10 | Worked from Bulls Community Centre  |
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|    | Te Matapihi Green Space Artwork Working Group Meeting   |
|    | LTP Workshop – Consultation Document  |
|    | Met with local business to discuss Marton Rail Hub project  |
|    | Attended Bulls Community Committee Meeting  |
| 11 | Attended Three Waters Reform Programme Workshop in Palmerston North   |
|    | Attended a meeting in Taihape to update on Memorial Park Amenities Facility   |
| 12 | Attended Duck Race in Taihape   |
| 15 | Attended Breakfast Meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys   |
|    | Attended judging of Bulls Community Centre (finalist in NZ Commercial Project Awards – as entered by Wells & Wadsworth)         |
|    | Attended monthly Marton Health Networking Meeting   |
|    | Attended Hunterville Rural Water Supply Management Sub-committee  |
| 16 | Attended George Street Subcommittee Meeting   |
|    | Attended Marton Long Term Plan Consultation Meeting at Rangitikei College   |
| 17 | Attended Makirikiri Flood Control Scheme Catchment Community Meeting  |
|    | Attended Marton Rail Hub – Project Board Meeting #3   |
|    | Attended Bulls Community LTP Consultation Meeting at Bulls Community Centre   |
| 18 | Attended Online Live Video LTP Consultation Meeting #1  |
| 19 | Attended an MSD meeting in Whanganui to discuss MSD's focus for the year  |
|    | Attended Mangaweka Community LTP Consultation Meeting   |
|    | Attended Central Districts Feilddays Connections VIP Event with Ministers   |
| 20 | Attended Outstanding Women in Sport Function in Palmerston North  |
| 21 | Attended Rangitikei Youth Council Meeting – Pukeokahu (as part of Youth Council weekend)  |
|    | Attended Scotts Ferry LTP Community Consultation meeting  |
| 22 | Attended Pukeokahu Community LTP Consultation meeting   |
| 23 | Attended Fortnightly Teleconference – Regional Chiefs' Transport Matters  |
|    | To attend UCOL Manawatu Graduation Ceremony Awards in Palmerston North  |
|    | Attended Koitiata LTP Community Consultation Meeting  |
| 24 | To attend online North Island Regional Passenger Rail Services Workshop Attended Hunterville LTP Community Consultation Meeting |
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| 25 | Attended Audit Risk Committee Meeting                                |
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|    | Attended Finance/Performance Committee Meeting                       |
|    | Attended Council Meeting   |
|    | To attend Business Hall of Fame Awards in Auckland                   |
| 26 | To potentially meet with Grey Power – LTP Consultation Meeting (tbc) |
| 28 | To attend Parewahawaha Marae for LTP Consultation Meeting            |
|    | To attend Moawhango Marae for LTP Consultation Meeting               |
| 29 | To attend Taihape Community LTP Consultation Meeting                 |
| 30 | To attend EM Joint Standing Committee Meeting in Palmerston North    |
|    | To attend Regional Transport Committee Meeting in Palmerston North   |
|    | To attend monthly RDC/Police Meeting                                 |
|    | To attend Civil Defence Emergency Management Declaration Exercise    |
|    | To attend Online Live Video LTP Consultation #2                      |
| 31 | To attend Mataroa Community LTP Consultation Meeting                 |

# **Recommendation:**

That the Mayoral Update be received.

# 5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

#### 5.1 SMALL PROJECTS GRANT SCHEME UPDATE - MARCH 2021

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Administrator

## 1 Allocation

- 1.1 The amount of the 2020/21 Small Projects Grant Scheme for Turakina Ward is \$710.
- 1.2 The allocation of the Small Projects Grant Scheme is for the period 1 July to 30 June each year. At its meeting on 29 February 2016, Council resolved to allow carry-forward from one financial year to the next of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee's Small Projects Grant Fund, with the proviso that this be a specific resolution of the Committee.
- 1.3 At its meeting 25 June 2020, Council resolved to carry-forward the full amount of unspent funds from the 2019/20 year of \$771.00 to the 2020/21 year due to COVID-19 and the inability of the Committee to hold meetings and make their own carry forward recommendations.
- 1.4 This gives a total allocation for the 2020/2021 year of \$1,481.

## 2 Breakdown

- \$420 to the Caledonian Society for printing of programmes (invoice yet to be received)
- \$150 to the Anglican Church for log splitter hireage (invoice yet to be received)

# 3 Remaining Budget

This leaves a remaining budget for the 2020/21 financial year of \$911.

## Recommendation:

That the 'Small Projects Grant Scheme Update – March 2021' to the 01 April 2021 Turakina Community Committee be received.

# 6 Next Meeting

Thursday, 03 June 2021.

Please note: The venue for this meeting will change.