

ORDER PAPER

TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 2 October 2025
Time: 7.00pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Chair: Mr Duran Benton
Deputy Chair: Ms Linda O'Neill
Membership: Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Mr Ian Stephens
Mr Nathan Smith
Cr Brian Carter
HWTM Andy Watson

Purpose of the Committee

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided¹.
- Particularly, to help ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure, by promoting its use and advising community members on how to use it.
- 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.
- To engage with wider/small communities of the ward represented.

Quorum

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 23 November 22) 11.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

At least 1 Elected Member must be present at the meeting.

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¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Turakina Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitikei District Council will be held in the The Anglican Church Hall, St George's, State Highway 3, Turakina on Thursday, 2 October 2025 at 7.00pm.

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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 **Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2025** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Turakina Community Committee Meeting - 7 August 2025**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 7 August 2025 [**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.

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RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
Making this place home.

UNCONFIRMED: TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 7 August 2025
Time: 7.00pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Present Ms Linda O'Neill
Ms Rachel Cvitanovich
Cr Brian Carter
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Mrs Carol Gordon, Chief Executive
Ms Melanie Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer
Cr Paul Sharland

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1 Welcome

Ms O'Neill chaired the meeting in the absence of the Mr Benton and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/027

That the apologies be received from Duran Benton are accepted.

Cr B Carter/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Ms Cvitanovich advised she would like to add some thanks to Council staff Michael Hart, Melanie Bovey, the Turakina Community Committee, and Ratana Sports Club for assistance and letters of support for applying to the Dudding Trust for hall maintenance and improvements.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/028

That the minutes of Turakina Community Committee Meeting held on 5 June 2025 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.

Cr B Carter/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - August 2025

Ms O'Neill read the Chair's report on behalf of Mr Benton noting that Mr Benton had met with Paul Chaffe to discuss the Community Response plan for Turakina.

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/029

That the verbal Chair's Report – August 2025 be received.

Cr B Carter/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Mayor's Report - July 2025

The Mayor advised he was happy to take the report as read. He invited Mrs Gordon, Chief Executive to address the committee to introduce herself. Mrs Gordon gave a brief update to the community on her role.

The Mayor then highlighted a few areas from his report that included:

- An update on progress with Local Waters Done Well
- Roading issues
- The recent Catchment Collective meetings
- The recent LGNZ Conference

Ms Cvitanovich thanked the Mayor for his attendance at the Four Regions Trust meeting to thank the Trust for funding received in the District. She advised that the Whangaehu Hall had recently received \$9,000 from the Trust to assist with essential hall maintenance for which they were very grateful.

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/030

That the Mayor's Report – July 2025 be received.

Ms R Cvitanovich/Cr B Carter. Carried

8.2 Small Projects Fund Update - August 2025

The committee discussed spending for the small projects fund on beautifying the Turakina/Whangaehu area, clarifying the project discussed at the previous meeting was actually for

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beautifying around the Rangitikei sign next to the Whangaehu Hall, rather than new signage for the Hall itself. Ms Cvitanovich presented a quote to the committee for \$411.00 that covered items to beautify around the base of the sign.

The committee agreed to accept the quote and are also identifying more areas for beautifying with ideas to be presented at upcoming meetings.

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/031

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – August 2025' report be received.

Ms R Cvitanovich/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/032

That the Turakina Community Committee agrees to accept the quote for \$411.00 to beautify the Rangitikei sign to be paid from the Small Projects Fund.

Ms R Cvitanovich/Ms L O'Neill. Carried

8.3 Consultation Tracker - July

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/033

That the report 'Consultation Tracker - July' be received.

HWTM A Watson/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

8.4 Funding Schemes Update - August 2025

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 25/TCC/034

That the Funding Schemes Update – August 2025 be received.

Ms L O'Neill/Ms R Cvitanovich. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 2 October 2025.

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Chairperson

Unconfirmed

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7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - October 2025

Author: Duran Benton, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 A verbal report will be tabled at the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – October 2025 be received.

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Mayor's Report - September 2025

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

Good afternoon

Usually my reports are very lengthy so I'm sure that some of you will breathe a sigh of relief at the brevity this time. However, there are some things that do need mentioning -

1. On 3 September the Working Group working with police met in Hunterville to discuss local policing options. All of the senior regional and district policing leaders were there in force. The meeting was constructive and the decision making will take many months but at least there is a genuine desire to engage.
2. The discussion regarding financing of the Gentle Annie roads with NZTA is difficult. NZTA's position is for our Council to reprioritise its existing funding which would leave us unable to do anything of any significance elsewhere on our network for the next two years! This will need to be a priority discussion for the next Council and probably a national level political approach.
3. On Friday 19 September there will be a meeting of forestry, roading, rail and port interests regarding a possible extension of the rail/train contract to alleviate the traffic on the Taihape-Napier Road. This will be pivotal for us – I am prepared to update further at the Council meeting.
4. Attached to this report is a response from NZTA in regard to the application for speed restrictions/signage on the Winiata straight just short of Taihape. These are discussions that are being led by Peter Hijazeen, Principal of St Joseph's School, Iwi and the Winiata Marae. We seem to have got what is a standard response, which is disappointing. The critical point will be where NZTA refers to signage – this needs to be signage at the Rauma Road junction and not just the prescribed signage outside of the school which will make very little difference to the safety and risk when turning from SH1 onto Rauma Road. I'm hoping that our roading team engages further with regards to this matter.
5. Also attached to this report is the standard reply from NZTA with regards to the Bulls intersection. It is a cop-out position where they say "...when the demand or safety concerns justify further investment". This is a rubbish position. The justification is there currently and I question whether it would take a fatality at this intersection for action to be taken. The intersection is regarded as a pinch-point officially in the network. Bulls is growing and the difficulty for people crossing the road is extreme. The bottom line is we need a response now.

Elections

Firstly, this triennium has been tough, on both staff and councillors. The demands on staff time have been extreme and I know that I, and possibly others under pressure get frustrated around operational delays. I apologise, we are all tired and pushed. I thank staff on behalf of all councillors – we appreciate your diligence and attention to detail and the workloads you are facing.

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Lastly, to councillors. To those not contesting this election, thank you to all of you for your time and sacrifice. At times it is a thankless job, you receive criticism and it is impossible to satisfy everyone. Please pass on my thanks to your families who have supported you. To those of you that are standing, good luck. Take the hiatus between terms to recharge.

Mayor's Engagements

September 2025

1	<p>Attended meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended Climate Action Joint Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Mayoral Forum</p>
2	<p>Attended Emergency Management Joint Standing Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Regional Transport Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Meeting</p> <p>Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
3	<p>Attended Risk & Assurance Committee Meeting</p> <p>Attended Hunterville Policing Community Meeting</p>
4	<p>Attended meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended online meeting with NZTA/Hastings DC re Taihape-Napier Road</p>
8	<p>Attended meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended online meeting with Tower Insurance</p> <p>Attended Defence Force relationship meeting at Linton</p>
9	<p>Attended monthly governors Q&A session with Executive Leadership Team</p> <p>Attended debrief with Aspiring Leaders Forum attendee</p> <p>Attended meeting with Deputy Mayor</p>
10	<p>Attended fortnightly Marton Water Strategy meeting with governors and staff</p> <p>Attended Local Government Emergency Management Webinar</p>
11	<p>Attended fortnightly governance meeting on Marton Offices & Library project</p> <p>Attended Assets & Infrastructure Committee meeting</p> <p>Attended Council Workshop</p> <p>Attended Community Grants Committee Meeting</p>
12	<p>Attended meeting with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended LWDW Project Oversight Group Meeting – Mayors & CEs</p> <p>Attended Bulls & District Friendship Club meeting</p> <p>Attended Marton Friendship Club meeting</p>
15	<p>Attended monthly breakfast meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys</p> <p>Attended Mayors Taskforce for Jobs online Governance Group meeting</p> <p>Attended Mayors Briefing before Council with Staff</p>

16	Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended McIntyre Reserve Meeting
17	Attended meeting with Chief Executive Attended Elected Member LWDW Hui
18	Attended Maori Land Rate Remission Committee Meeting Attended St Matthews School for talk on being Mayor Attended BA5 function at Moomaa
19	Attended meeting with Chief Executive Attended meeting Taihape-Napier Road meeting with stakeholders Attended Rangitikei College to judge Talent Quest
20	Attended Taihape Spring Festival
22	Attended meeting with Chief Executive Attended Marton Christian Welfare AGM
23	Attended meeting with NZDF staff regarding housing in Bulls Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Defence Hub event at Ohakea
24	Attended fortnightly Marton Water Strategy meeting with governors and staff Attended BBQ and walkaround Tutaenui Dams Attended LWDW Project Oversight Group meeting with 3-Council Mayors/CEs
25	To attend fortnightly governance meeting on Marton Offices & Library project To attend Finance/Performance Committee Meeting To attend Council meeting
26	To attend meeting with Chief Executive To attend opening of Acute Mental Health Unit Nga Wai Ngaro at Palmerston North Hospital To attend monthly meeting with Police
29	To attend meeting with Sgt Major Sandy Paterson re Freedom of the Borough of Taihape To attend Manawatu-Whanganui Disaster Relief Fund Trust online AGM
30	To attend meeting with Chief Executive To attend Citizenship Ceremony To attend Business Rangitikei AGM To attend weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor

Attachments:

1. **NZTA Initial Response - SH1 Winiata Intersection - August 2025** [↓](#)
2. **NZTA Final Response - SH1/Winiata Marae - September 2025** [↓](#)
3. **NZTA Response - Bulls Intersection - September 2025** [↓](#)

4. Elected Member Attendance [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the Mayor's Report – September 2025 be received.

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22 August 2025

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Ref. NZT-10873

Dear Andy,

Thank you for your letter of 11 August 2025 regarding your request to reassess the speed limit and safety measures on State Highway 1 (SH1), south of Taihape.

I want to acknowledge the commitment you and the community have demonstrated in raising your safety needs with us. We recognise how important road safety is to everyone who travels, works, and lives along this stretch of highway, and we appreciate the time and advocacy invested in seeking improvements.

Under the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits Rule 2024 (the Rule), NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) can carry out targeted speed reviews, including public consultation, in areas of high safety concern, provided they meet the Rule's requirements regarding speed limit ranges for different classifications of road. In this case, this stretch of state highway is classified as an interregional connector, which cannot have a permanent speed limit lower than 100km/h under the Rule.

While the Rule doesn't allow NZTA to review the 100km/h speed limit on this section of state highway due to its classification as an interregional connector, it does provide for the implementation of safety interventions. Such interventions can include consideration of variable speed limits (VSLs) outside of marae to protect vulnerable visitors and pedestrians.

Variable speed limits at marae would operate when there are large volumes of traffic turning out of the Marae, and in 15-minute periods when activated by the Marae to support the safety of pedestrians and vehicles associated with marae activity. With this in mind, and community feedback, NZTA have added a VSL for Winiata Marae to their list for review, subject to funding and resourcing.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further with NZTA, you are welcome to contact me by email at linda.stewart@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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5 September 2025

Andy Watson
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Ref. NZT-10914

Dear Andy

Thank you for your letter of 11 August 2025 regarding your council's endorsement of Peter Hijazeen's submission to reassess speed limits on and around State Highway 1 (SH1) and Rauma Road.

Regarding the speed limit, our current immediate priority for speed management on state highways is implementing variable speed limits outside schools and delivering speed limit changes linked to specific projects, including intersection zones through to 1 July 2026. However, we recognise that community input is invaluable, and we continue to consider community-requested speed reviews, provided they align with the *Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2024* (the Rule), the speed classifications outlined in Schedule 3 of the Rule, and funding is available.

I can confirm that SH1 south of Taihape is listed on our speed management register as a regional priority through to 2027. All community-requested speed limit changes, including requests for variable speed limits (VSLs) or intersection speed zones, recorded in our register are subject to a moderation and national prioritisation process. We are working towards reviewing the speed limit at this location by the end of this year, subject to funding and resourcing. We will keep the community informed as progress is made.

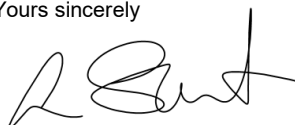
I assure you that safety remains a key priority for NZ Transport Agency waka Kotahi (NZTA), alongside the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport, which requires that speed limits take into account economic impacts (including travel times) as well as community views. Stakeholders such as councils, schools, businesses, iwi, and the public will have the opportunity to provide feedback on any proposed speed limit changes as part of the six-week public consultation required by the Rule.

Lastly, regarding your reference to the Rauma Road intersection, Mr Hijazeen queried the utility of a turning bay. However, the intersection does not currently meet the warrant criteria for a turning bay

following our analysis of the turning traffic volumes, crash data and future plans for the area. However, all feedback from local communities like yours is valued and helps inform our future decisions.

If you would like to discuss this matter further with NZTA, you are welcome to contact me by email to linda.stewart@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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5 September 2025

Andy Watson
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Ref. NZT-10911

Dear Andy

Thank you for your letter of 20 August 2025 regarding your concerns around traffic issues at the junction of State Highways 1 and 3 (SH1 and SH3).

Improvements to this intersection are included in the *Accessing Central New Zealand Programme Business Case (PBC)*, which was completed in 2020. This programme outlines a preferred set of safety and access improvements across the transport network between Waiouru, Levin, and Ashhurst, connecting with Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawātū Tararua Highway over the next 30 years. The PBC serves as a strategic guide for transport investment in the Manawātū region.

As you will be aware, transport investments must be included in the *National Land Transport Programme (NLTP)*, which sets out how NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) works with partners and stakeholders to deliver a safer, more accessible, better connected, and more resilient land transport system.

The 2024–27 NLTP was confirmed last year and reflects the Government's strategic priorities for land transport, as outlined in the *Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024*. While improvements to the SH1/SH3 intersection in Bulls are not included in the 2024–27 NLTP, activities identified in the PBC will be considered in the development of future NLTPs.

I can also advise that the Bulls intersection is under ongoing monitoring, and improvements will be undertaken when demand or safety concerns justify further investment.

If you would like to discuss this matter further with NZTA, you are welcome to contact me by email to linda.stewart@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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Date	Meeting	HWTM	Wilson	Carter	Dalgety	Duncan	Hiroa	Lambert	Loudon	Maughan	Sharland	Raukawa	Wong	Notes
30-Jul-25	Youth Council	PR				PR							PR	
31-Jul-25	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR				PR	AP	PR		PR	
31-Jul-25	Council Meeting	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	
7-Aug-25	Turakina CC	PR		PR										
11-Aug-25	Hunterville RWS	PR			PR			PR		PR				
11-Aug-25	Hunterville CC	CB			PR			PR						
12-Aug-25	TRAK	PR				PR	PR					AP		
13-Aug-25	Taihapa CB	PR				PR							PR	
13-Aug-25	Marton CC	CB	PR											
14-Aug-25	Council Meeting	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
27-Aug-25	Santoft Domain	PR		PR										
28-Aug-25	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR				PR	PR	PR		PR	
28-Aug-25	Council Meeting	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
2-Sep-25	Erewhon RWS													
3-Sep-25	RA Meeting	PR	PR		PR		PR		PR					
10-Sep-25	Bulls CC													Minutes not recieved
11-Sep-25	AIN Meeting	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP		AP	PR	AP	PR	AT	PR	
11-Sep-25	Council Workshop													
11-Sep-25	CGC Meeting	PR		PR	PR	AP			PR		PR		PR	
18-Sep-25	MLRR Meeting	PR			PR		PR						PR	

Present (and is a member of the committee)	PR
Apology	AP
Absent - no apology received	AB
Not a member of the committee	
Not a member of the committee (but still attended)	AT
Not present as on Council business	CB
Attended via Zoom [this indicator is no longer used]	ZM

8.2 Community Committees End of Triennium**Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor**Authoriser:** Katrina Gray, Group Manager - Strategy, Community and Democracy**1. Reason for Report**

- 1.1 To explain that process around community committee disestablishment and reestablishment for the next triennium.

2. Context

- 2.1 Local government elections are held on 11 October 2025, and the new Council for the district is scheduled to be sworn in on 23 October 2025.
- 2.2 Under Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act, all Council committees are discharged after each triennial election, and are required to be re-established by the new Council (this can either be by the Mayor (section 41A) or Council (schedule 7, clause 30)). The Bulls Community Committee is one of the committees that this applies to.
- 2.3 Following the election, the new Council will consider the committee structure for the 2025-28 triennium, including community committees.

3. Elections for Community Committees

- 3.1 If the new Council re-establishes community committees, there will be elections for members. Officers will call for nominations, with the date advised to current members once scheduled in the new triennium.
- 3.2 Council's process around elections for community committees is an internal one and is not prescribed by legislation (unlike the elections for Council and community boards).

Recommendation

That the report Community Committees End of Triennium be received.

8.3 Small Projects Fund Update - October 2025

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Allocation

- 1.1 The allocation of the 2025/26 Small Projects Fund for the Turakina Community Committee is \$2,611.72. This includes the carryover and earmarked funds from the previous financial year of \$1,811.72 and \$800 annual allocation.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 There has been earmarked funds for the for \$411.00 to beautify the Rangitīkei sign – staff have not received this invoice to be paid.

Recommendation

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – October 2025' report be received.

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8.4 Funding Schemes Update - October 2025**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor****1. Overview**

- 1.1 Council currently administers four funding schemes for the Rangitikei District, these are:
- Community Initiatives Fund
 - Events Sponsorship Scheme
 - Creative Communities Scheme
 - Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

2. Community Initiatives Fund

- 2.1 This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei District that develop community cohesion and community resilience.
- 2.2 Council allocated \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 2.3 Decision was made at the Community Grants Committee meeting on the 11 September 25 to allocate the funding to the below groups:
- Scotts Ferry Community Committee
 - Marton Returned Services Association (Incorporated)
 - Alzheimer's Whanganui
 - Scout Association of New Zealand
 - The Parkinson's New Zealand Charitable trust
 - Itty bitty kitty committee
 - Cancer Society of NZ Whanganui Rangitikei Waimarino Centre Inc
 - Taihape Art Club (Society)
 - Manawatu Multiple Sclerosis Society Incorporated
 - Marton & Surrounds ICT Hub Charitable Trust Board
 - Marton & District Historical Society Incorporated

3. Events Support Scheme

- 3.1 This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth.
- 3.2 Council has allocated \$25,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 3.3 Decision was made at the Community Grants Committee meeting on the 11 September 25 to allocate the funding to the below groups:
- Hunterville Huntaway Festival
 - Hunterville Squash Racquets Club Inc
 - Bulls & District Community Trust
 - Marton Country Music Festival
 - Marton Arts & Crafts Centre
 - Opaea Marae

- Rangitikei Shearing Sports Inc
- Taihape Dressage
- Taihape Area Show Jumping

4. Creative Communities Scheme

- 4.1 This fund is supplied by Creative NZ and administered by Council. Applications are encouraged from community groups and individuals whose projects:
- Demonstrate growth over time
 - Develop and support local artistic communities
 - Encourage a transfer of artistic skills
 - Support diversity and inclusion
 - Projects with a youth focus are also encouraged
- 4.2 Creative NZ has allocated \$24,397.80 + GST to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis, and this is distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 4.3 Round one for 2025/26 opened on the 11 August and closes 19 October. Decision will be made on the 12 November 25.

5. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 5.1 This fund is supplied by Sport NZ and administered by Council. The fund is targeted at young people aged between 5 and 19 years and is open to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams with eligible members who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.
- 5.2 Sport NZ allocated \$9,500 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis. There is one funding round per year.
- 5.3 The round will be opened 11 August 25 and will close 29 March 2026. Decision will be made by the Sport NZ Travel Committee in April 2026.

6. Further Information

- 6.1 More details about these funding opportunities can be found on the Council website (link below) and this is also where applications can be submitted:
<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/community/grants-funding>

Recommendation

That the Funding Schemes Update – October 2025 be received.

9 Meeting Closed.