

YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

ORDER PAPER

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2020, 5.30PM

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Sophia Lewis, Te Arawa Ratana and Atawhai McDowell

Cr Cath Ash and His Worship the Mayor Andy Watson

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RANGITĪKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL



Rangitikei District Council

Youth Council Meeting

Agenda – Tuesday 13 October 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

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The quorum for the Rangitikei Youth Council is 4 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, 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.

1 Welcome

2 Youth Council Prayer

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

4 Public Forum

5 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

6 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, be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

7 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from the Rangitikei Youth Council meeting held 15 September 2020 are attached.

File ref: 3-CT-19-3

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Rangitikei Youth Council meeting held on 15 September 2020 [as amended/without amendment] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

8 Chair's Report

The Chair's report will be tabled.

File ref: 3-CT-19-3

Recommendation:

That the tabled 'Chair's Report' to the 13 October 2020 Youth Council meeting be received.

9 Council decision on recommendations from the committee

There were no recommendations from the committee to Council.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meeting

There were no queries raised at the previous meeting for council comment.

11 Update on Community Engagement Involvement

A letter is attached.

Recommendation:

That the letter 'Update on Community Engagement Involvement' to the 13 October 2020 Youth Council meeting be received.

12 Meet the Candidates

Current thoughts on political parties.

13 Mayoral Update

A report is attached.

Recommendation:

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 13 October 2020 meeting of the Rangitikei Youth Council be received.

14 Upcoming events

A poster is attached.

15 Late Items

As agreed at item 5.

16 Next Meeting

Overnight stay River Valley Lodge, 12-13 December 2020

Final Dinner, December - date to be confirmed

17 Meeting Closed

Attachment 1



Rangitikei District Council

Youth Council Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 15 September 2020 –5.30pm

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Present: Charly Skey Ward-Berry
Kathryn Fleming
Makayla Vaa
Lisa Cruywagen
Sophia Lewis
Cr Fi Dalgety

Also Present: Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor for Youth
Nardia Gower, Strategy and Community Planning Manager
Michael Andrews
Atawhai McDowell
Etane McDowell
Daniel Toto

1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 5:48pm.

2 Youth Council Prayer

The Youth Council Prayer was read by Charly Ward-Berry.

3 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for the absence of His Worship the Mayor, Te Arawa, Korey, and Denzell be received.

Charly/ Lisa. Carried

4 Public Forum

Nil

5 Members conflict of interest

There were no conflicts of interest for items in the agenda.

6 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,

Declaration by new Rangitikei Youth Council member

be dealt with as a late item at this meeting.

7 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number

20/RYC/017

File Ref

3-CT-19-3

That the minutes of the Rangitikei Youth Council meeting held on 18 August 2020 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Lisa / Sophia. Carried

8 Chair's Report

The Chair read her tabled report. There were no questions or comments from the committee.

Resolved minute number**20/RYC/018****File Ref****3-CT-19-3**

That the Chair's Report to the 15 September 2020 Youth Council meeting be received.

Kat / Lisa. Carried

9 Council decision on recommendations from the committee

There were no recommendations from the committee to Council.

10 Council responses to queries raised at previous meeting

There were no queries raised at the previous meeting for council comment.

11 Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update

Ms Gower spoke to the report with the following points:

- Council is currently developing a 10 year plan, to be adopted July 2021, and subsequently reviewed every 3 years.
- This covers overall plans and budget – what council spend money across all council activities, e.g. roading, infrastructure and also youth development.
- Assumption forecasts help determine what the district might need (projected growth, jobs and housing available)
- Competitions are held between councils in regards to Long Term Plan consultation and with the community. Nardia spoke to the attached item with branding t-shirts and promotional ideas.
- Council is currently holding workshops with staff to plan/prepare to consult with the community to decide what they think is best and to make sure Council is on the right path to deliver what the community thinks they need.
- This is a chance to have a voice for youth, folding youth feedback into the big picture plan, contributing to long term goals. Youth Council engagement encourages other youth buy in to the process.
- Cr Dalgety outlined the importance of the youth contribution, saying there is no right or wrong, we need youth perspective because it is different to adults. Historically, Council has struggled to effectively gain a wide community engagement and is wanting to change that.
- Discussion was had around how to effectively engage with youth. Youth Council members made the points of creating an event, with food, promoting through visits to school

assemblies, stating in schools there is stigma around what is and isn't seen as acceptable to be part of and that is sometimes a barrier to being involved and sharing an honest opinion. Committee members suggested Council could encourage groups of friends to come along to an event and be involved together, rather than aiming at individuals. Ms Widdowson suggestion of a television reporter style interview of youth on what they think with prompted questions was supported by the committee.

- Youth present also agreed to take part in the Bulls Community opening day from 10am-2pm, 26 September, to engage with people of the community alongside council staff.

Resolved minute number **20/RYC/019** **File Ref** **3-CC-1-5**

That the memorandum 'Long Term Plan 2021-31 Update' to the 15 September 2020 Rangitikei Youth Council meeting be received.

Lisa / Charly. Carried

12 Mayoral Update

A report is attached. Cr Dalgety spoke to the report.

- A challenging place for Council in regards to the three waters reform (fresh water, waste water and storm water), with central government worried about water quality after the incident in Havelock North where people became ill and some dying because of contaminated water. The offer is \$4.8million in tranche one for Rangitikei District Council. The long term consideration is the potential amalgamation of three water delivery across a wider region than just the Rangitikei District.
- \$9.1million has been granted to Council through the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) for a rail hub in Marton; this is envisaged to assist with taking logs off the road and onto rail. The land use change in the same area from rural to industrial also has the potential in attracting industry that could provide in excess of 200 jobs to the district.
- Cr Dalgety also addressed the youth in regards to COVID-19 lockdown asking, "If we were to go back into lockdown, what would you need?" The feedback received from youth was "Online learning doesn't work. The pressure was too much. Keep the same expectations as normal school, not increase them."
- Steve Carey was mentioned as a collective source for information. Cr Dalgety amplified the importance of sharing youth viewpoints.

Resolved minute number **20/RYC/20**

That the 'Mayoral Update' to the 15 September 2020 meeting of the Rangitikei Youth Council be received.

Makayla/ Sophia. Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6.43pm.

Meeting recommenced at 7.06pm.

13 Youth Awards Review – Discussion Item

Ms Widdowson spoke to this item, with the following highlights:

- She congratulated the Youth for the outstanding job they did on the Youth Awards, sharing how proud she was of them stepping outside their comfort zones at times and giving so freely of themselves for their fellow youth. She spoke about their willingness to step into something different to work around the barriers that COVID-19 Alert Level 2 brought, and the privilege it was for her to work alongside them.
- Ms Widdowson asked the youth for their feedback about the day with the following questions. What did you like about the day the most? What could we have done better? What could we do if we find ourselves in this position again or how could we do a similar thing better?
- The general feedback from youth council was, they thought they made the best from a tough situation. Youth Council were proud of how happy the winners and runners up were, and enjoyed getting to personally sit down with them, acknowledge their accomplishments, and present them prizes and awards. The videos worked well and were a popular way to promote the lead up to the day and the trip itself. They felt they brought a lot of celebration to the event, but this could be built on with further planning.
- The biggest learning points were, the communication between all nominees needs to be better next time, email is not an effective way to reach youth, and there needs to be enough time to effectively plan the trip so we have ample time and do not have to rush from place to place. TikTok and video could be used more often for promotions.
- Ms Gower suggested a Youth Council YouTube Channel could be a successful way to promote events and Youth Council promotions.

14 Future Meetings for 2020

- 13 October - Marton
- December - Final Dinner (TBC)

Dates have been chosen to avoid School Holidays and NCEA end of year exams. As mock exam dates are announced the dates will be reviewed accordingly.

Date set for overnight stay at River Valley Lodge 12-13 December 2020.

15 Late Items

New Youth Council Member Atawhai McDowell read her declaration, accepting her position on Rangitikei Youth Council.

I, _____, declare that I will faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of my skill and judgment, execute and perform, in the best interests of the Rangitīkei District, the powers, authorities, and duties vested in or imposed upon me as a member of the Rangitīkei Youth Council.

16 Next Meeting

13 October 2020 5.30 pm, Council Chambers, Marton

Amendment to agenda. To be held in Council Chambers Marton, not Taihape.

17 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 8.46pm.

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date:

Attachment 2



RANGITIKEI
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7 October 2020

Rangitikei Youth Council
46 High Street
Marton 4710

Tena Korua,

Grand Opening of Te Matapihi & Bulls Whanau Day

The value of having members of the Youth Council was very evident on the Open day we held at the new Bulls Community Centre – Te Matapihi.

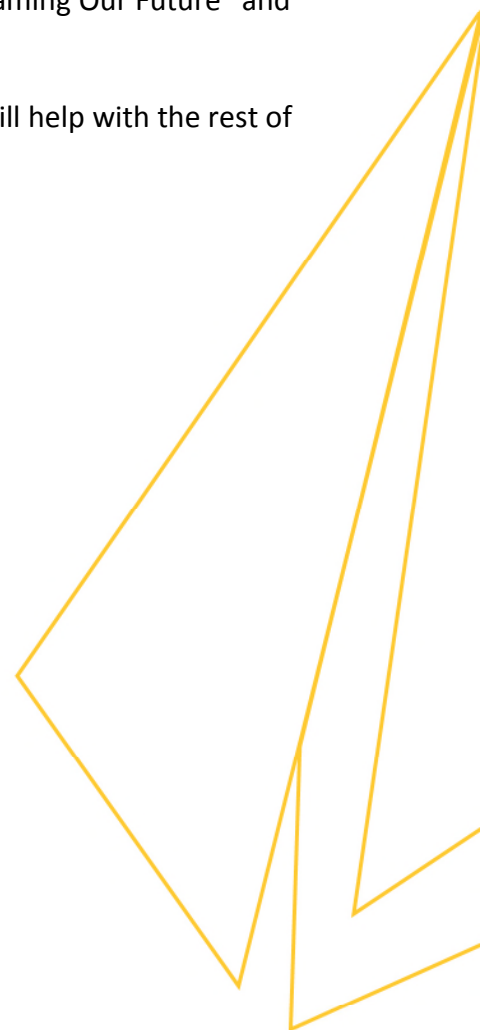
They engaged with people that went past the Council tent, and gave them the opportunity to contribute to our “Framing Our Future” campaign in an enthusiastic, engaging way.

Each Youth Council member that was involved put on the t-shirt with “Framing Our Future” and “Korero Mai” which are really visible and inviting.

We were so appreciative to have them there on the day and hope they will help with the rest of the early engagement for our Long Term Plan.

Kind regards

Carol Gordon



Making this place home.

Attachment 3

Report

Subject: Mayors Report

To: Council

From: Andy Watson, Mayor

Date: 18 September 2020

If I am honest the big things from last months report still dominate my time and thinking. The ability to inform members of the public on the Governments direction for the three waters and allow for any sort of meaningful public discussion is limited by the lack of information. On a more positive note the groups associated with the district plan change are pressing ahead with their planning while realising there is still an appeal period to be followed by an extensive resource consent process.

By the time this report is tabled at Council the new Bulls Centre will be open. It has been a challenging process and many lessons learnt as promised I will make those lessons public. However this is the time to celebrate what is a stunning building paid for by the district. I will table a copy of my speech acknowledging so many parties and the report on the opening at the Council meeting.

One of the highlights this month has been the youth awards and I am tabling a report from Kelly Widdowsom as the easiest way to highlight our outstanding youth coupled with my thanks to the Turkingtons. Kelly is doing an amazing job under difficult Co Vid circumstances.

John Turkington Rangitikei Youth Awards 2020 saw 50 high calibre nominations from all over the district. Due to the challenges bought by the level 2 COVID restrictions, the traditional awards night was postponed twice, prompting the Rangitikei Youth Council to think outside the box.

The decision was made to hit the road, taking the awards to the community rather than bringing the community to the awards.

The Youth Awards Road Trip saw our Youth Councillors present awards within our community businesses, local cafes, schools and Iwi, while taking advantage of the opportunity to publically promote the nominees and winners through our social media platforms, newspapers, local publications and committees. It was a very rewarding experience for our youth council, connecting with and celebrating their fellow youth in a very personal way.

A huge thank you to all our sponsors, especially John and Angela Turkington, our main sponsors! It is your generosity and passion for youth that enables us to celebrate and encourage the awesome young people in our communities.

There were record wins for Taihape this year with 6 awards going to local youth from the district, along with youth in Marton and Bulls

The winners are as follows:

- **Hautapu Pine Youth in Sport**
For the first time ever, the judging panel could not decide between the top nominees and decided to give two first place awards, as well as an added cash prize to the runner up. Emile Richardson and Isabella Wassilieff were awarded joint first place, both receiving \$500.00, while VChay-Latrell Hemopo received the \$250 runner up prize.
- **Fortuna Forest Products Youth in Employment**
This award went to Jack Murrell from Taihape, the runner up Irihapeti Whakatihi from Bulls.
- **Marton Rotary Youth in leadership**
This was awarded to Nga Tawa student and Rangitikei Youth Council Chair Kathryn Fleming, while the runner up went to Erika Elers also a former Youth Council chair, from Taihape, currently studying in Wellington.
- **River Valley Eco Warrior** went to Olivia Doughty from Nga Tawa, Caryse Clark from Taihape receiving runner up.
- **The Downs Group Giving Back** went to Rohan Gower from the Hunterville area, runner up went to Matthew Schweikert in Taihape.
- **New World Marton Youth for Youth** was awarded to Monique Whiteman from Bulls, the runner up, Leon Heng from Marton.
- **Fortuna Forest Products Youth Group** award winner from Nga Tawa, Georgina Bryant and the well-being Council, with Rangitikei College Interact Group receiving runners up.
- **Nga Wairiki O Ngati Apa Youth in Apprenticeships** winning award went to Jack Inwood from Taihape, the runner up going to Teina Puketohe from Marton.
- **BJW Motors Change maker** was awarded to Te Arawa Ratana, runner up going to Denzell Pei, both from Marton and current councillors on the Youth Council.
- A new award this year, **Rangitikei Anglican Parish Wairua for Wellbeing award**, presented to Musiluka Junior Mareko-Leupolu from Rangitikei College and Millie Law from Taihape.

Council staff have been working on promotions of the district and they have asked me to highlight in my report the soft launch as shown. Take the time to look and share, we have such a great place we need to tell the storey.

Visit Rangitikei has been launched recently through a soft launch approach to showcase our district and social media Channels while the website is still under construction, this is due for completion by the end of October. Our first campaign 'Just up the Road' is now live on social media & was kicked off with a district wide promotional video capturing the diversity of our district and what it offers and is being received well.

I will finish with the push around the LTP or long term plan. This is the document we review every three years that essentially talks about the vision of Council, the programs that we will fund,

including capital development and who will pay for it. This is the best chance for the community to tell us what they want in their patch. The process starts with pre engagement which is where we try and find out the key issues that we will consult on later. Now is the time to talk to us about the major programs. The way to do it is to contact a Councillor or myself.

Andy Watson
Mayor

Attachment 4

TUTAENUI RESERVOIR OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER • 10 AM

Opening no matter the weather!

- Official Opening 10am
- Track open to the public
- Sausage Sizzle
- Kids Activities
- Family Friendly
- Dogs on leads welcome

FREE
EVENT



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ONLY 10 MINUTES
NORTH OF MARTON



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