

MINUTES

YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Monday, 11 May 2026

Time: 5.30pm

Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

YC Animārie Harrison
YC Sharnah Watene – Governor (Zoom)
YC Ella McPherson Downes (Zoom)
YC La'ala'ai Simi (Zoom)
YC Briar Bowsher (Zoom)
YC Maryanne Imakulaka Pio
YC Sophie Jacques
YC Cyria Lowrie-Hetet
YC Alice Stanbra (Zoom)
YC Heemi Ihaka-Candy (Zoom)
Cr Coral Raukawa
Cr Sandra Field
HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance Ms Justine Rowe, Tamariki Rangatahi Youth Engagement Officer
Ms Melaine Bovey, Heritage, Culture and Committee Support Officer
Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome / Prayer

The meeting opened at 5.30pm

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number **26/RYC/017**

That the apologies be received from YC Aania Paranihi.

YC A Harrison/YC Lowrie-Hetet. Carried

3 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number **26/RYC/018**

That the minutes of Youth Council Meeting held on 20 April 2026 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.

YC M Imakulaka Pio/YC A Harrison. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - May 26

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number **26/RYC/019**

That the Chair's Report – May 26 be received.

YC S Jacques/YC A Harrison. Carried

7.2 Deputy Chair's Report - May 26

YC Watene – Governor highlighted a number of events, specifically Matariki Market and all of Youth Council supported this.

Resolved minute number 26/RYC/020

That the Deputy Chair Report – May 26 be received.

YC A Harrison/YC M Imakulaka Pio. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Mayor's Report - May 2026

The Mayor highlighted that there would be an upcoming consultation on local government reform and potential amalgamation of council.

Resolved minute number 26/RYC/021

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

YC A Harrison/YC S Jacques. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Tamariki/Rangatahi Youth Engagement Officer April Report

The report was taken as read.

Resolved minute number 26/RYC/022

That the Tamariki/Rangatahi Youth Engagement Officer April report be received.

YC M Imakulaka Pio/YC Lowrie-Hetet. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Verbal Report Melanie Bovey

Ms Bovey provided a verbal report and a presentation to youth councillors.

The meeting closed at 6.45pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Youth Council Meeting held on .

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Chairperson