

Minutes

Bainesse/Rangiotu Community Committee Triennial Meeting

Wednesday 25 February 2026 @ 7pm

Rangiotu Memorial Hall

Present: 17 people in attendance including Cr Raewyn Loader and Janine Hawthorn from Council

No.	Item		Action (who)
		Order of Business	
1	Apologies	<i>That the following apologies be accepted:</i> <i>Belinda Thomas and Charlie Matenga</i>	T Donaldson/ A Horsfall Carried
2	Confirmation of Previous Minutes	Minutes from the previous triennial meeting held on 15 March 2023.	To be adopted at the 15 April 2026 meeting J Hawthorn to send copy of minutes to Trevor
3	Co-Chairmans' Reports	Co-Chairmans' reports were read and received. The following comments were noted: Hall • Cost of power is challenging with the ongoing line charges – switching off what can • Need to encourage community to use the hall • Work undertaken includes: – Installation of camera and alarm system – Re-pile both toilets – Outside walls upgraded – Small deck and porch built outside kitchen – CD Room tidied up – Hot water installed in toilets and wastewater plumbing undertaken A big thanks was passed on to Bill Lover acknowledging all the work he did in refurbishing the hall as well as organising other tradies.	T Donaldson/ R Taylor Carried

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		Beautification • Old metal dump area in front of old Post Office had the mound reshaped with material coming from Stirling's • Planted a lot of grasses in an attempt to keep the weeds down. • BBQ table and new fence installed. • Metalled carparking area A big thanks to Green by Nature who helped with the fencing and concreting in the BBQ table and to Ray Reid for metalling the carpark. Road Safety Matters Worked with Council to improve the safety of Karere Road and No. 1 Line intersection. Rumble strips, lights and speed limits had been installed. Unfortunately this has not really worked as some people slow down but others speed up and pass vehicles. Free Access to Palmerston North Library The Committee had investigated the possibility of residents getting free access to the Palmerston North Library as Feilding was 60km away and Palmerston North is only 21km. The former Mayor thought that this would be possible and was going to raise this with Council. No response has been received. Discuss further at April meeting. City to Sea Trail The Committee had given its support in principle to the City to Sea Trail project and has been keeping a watching brief. Meeting Frequency The Committee had changed the frequency of meetings from monthly to bi-monthly. The Co-Chairpersons wished to acknowledge the support of Cr Bridget Bell as their Liaison Councillor and the support of Council Staff.	

4	General Business Items from the Floor	Dangerous Sign on Rangiotu Road Teresa and Derek Halford requested that the speed warning sign that has been erected directly opposite the driveway of 858 Rangiotu Road be moved as it is dangerous. This driveway services four families. It is close to a sharp bend making visibility difficult when exiting on and off the road. Where the sign is located prevents anyone from being able to safely pull off on to the road verge to turn safely into their driveway. Can this please be looked at by Council. Traffic on Rangiotu Road An observation has been made by a number of residents that the traffic coming through Rangiotu Road has been increasing over a period of time. A concern was noted that this flow may increase even further once the extension to the motorway comes up through Levin and Foxton. It was noted that State Highway 57 has also been closed periodically over the last few months due to flooding or motor vehicle accidents which has also caused the increase. The increase in traffic is causing hazards particularly for traffic exiting and entering Pyke and Block Roads. It was noted that there had also been an increase in the number of deaths on this road which is of concern. The Committee to discuss further at their next meeting.	J Hawthorn to pass request on to Roothing Team
5	Council Report	Cr Raewyn Loader wished to acknowledge the work that Alan Horsfall had done for the community as he steps down as Chairperson with the Community Honour Awarded to him a fitting acknowledgement of the many years of service. She also thanked the Committee members for their commitment and service that they had provided to their community. The Local Government Elections saw seven new members join Council with the last couple of months spent inducting the Council to bring them up to speed. There have been a number of submissions that Council has sent to Central Government on various reforms and changes proposed to legislation. A reminder to download the Antenno app to report any issues to Council.	R Loader/R Taylor Carried

6	Election of Committee	Cr Raewyn Loader called for nominations from the floor to join the Committee. Trevor Donaldson Laura Easton Helena Pedley Alan Horsfall Warren Mudford Jane Taylor Roy Taylor Belinda Thomas Bill Lover Nominations were closed with the above duly elected. The position of Chairperson and Secretary will be voted by the new committee at the April meeting.	R Loader/ T Donaldson Carried
7	Items for further Discussion at April Meeting	The following items to be discussed at the 15 April 2026 meeting: • ANZAC Service • Access to PNCC Library • Increased use of Rangiotu Road	
7	Meeting Closed	7.55pm	