

Colyton Community Committee Meeting Minutes

13th November 2025 6.30pm at the Colyton Hall

Meeting Start 6.38pm

Present Cam Dyer, Lara Blackmore, Shelley Dyer, Stu Bradbury, Matt Martin, Jacqui Reid.

Community attendees: Colin Worthington, Neil Stephens, Matt Hocken, Tim Bromley, Paul Whitehead.

Apologies Cam Bird, Nikki Speedy, Heather Whitehead, Jana Hocken, Kaye Bradbury, Laurie Bradbury, Michael Ford.

- 50% of committee members were present, the meeting valid for decision making.

Previous minutes and matters arising

- Everyone has received and reviewed the minutes.
- No issues raised.

Correspondence

- Manawatu District Council Facebook posted on the Colyton Working Bee.
- Civil Defence competition to win an emergency pack. Flyer sent.

Financials

- \$3149 from MDC for seed funding initiatives in the 2025/26 financial year.
- \$20,000 for specific plans.
- Entire balance of 2024/25 has been committed.

Community plan

- Discussed the background/history of the settlement as included in the draft of the plan, including acquisition of the land by the Government for European settlement and the fire at the hall in 1985.
- Inclusion of the Spur Road river access and swimming spot in the walkway plan.

Projects

Beautification plan and signage

- Fidd from Fidd's Discussed the concepts for the sign. Committee likes the idea of blending the old and the new, images including Totara tree(s), children playing, hay cart.
- Cam will have site meeting with James from MDC on the plan and timing of planting, including the opposite side of the intersection from Ginger Bird to coordinate with sign installation.
- Possible memorial seat for the Holding Paddock from Lions.

Walkway/cycleway

- First load of metal is at the Bradbury's. Stu will coordinate with Mark to get it started.
- Cam will contact Phil Priory for traffic management.

Sharing Shelf

- Colyton Sharing Shelf Facebook Group has been set up for people to post into.
- May look to relocate as it has become a bit of a dumping ground and lots of stuff ends up in the Hall Playground.
- Looking into a notification board to go alongside the Sharing Shelf. Laurie and Kaye have donated an old window to create the board.

Playground update

- Another Working Bee on Saturday 8th to install the new swing set, last bits to go in this coming weekend.

Other project expenditure

- Possible support to the Colyton School's new playground plans. They are looking for feedback on the current plan.

Council Updates

- No Council representation at this meeting.

General Business

- Triennial committee voting done by February 2026 in line with Council changes. Council will produce a flyer for us to share which includes achievements and upcoming projects.
- Civil Defence box is in the Lions locked cupboard.

Next Schedule Meeting

Committee meeting – 6.30pm 11th December, Colyton Hall

Meeting closed 7.25pm