

-KIWITEA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Location: Kiwitea Hall, Kiwitea

Date: 16 February 2026

Time: 7.00pm (NZST)

1. Present:

Laura Brown, Jo Terry, Glen Terry, Paula Scott, Steph Strahan, Desiree Silk, Vicki Stack, Vicki Doyle, Ben Flintoff, Amy Weston, Posy Moody, Andrew Quarry

Apologies

Kate Ellery Mavor, Mike Hoggard, Bailey

2. Minutes from the last meeting

Moved: Des

Seconded: Laura

The minutes were read from the previous meeting in October and approved as being correct.

3. Correspondence

- Received invitation to the Chair / secretary and treasurer evening at MDC. On the 1st of April, Laura, Des and Vicki D are representing the committee at the annual Community committee evening with the council.
- We have received an email reminding us to apply for the \$3,000 annual funding the committee receives from the council. The council have earmarked the Kiwitea Hall for repainting, need to find out an approximate time frame for this. In the meantime we need to paint the doors and door frames which were undercoated last year. There is also a \$60,000 fund which we can apply to for special projects. We can discuss possibilities in conjunction with the annual plan at the next meeting.
- We received a copy of the final annual plan. Laura to ask the council to email the plan so it can be distributed to the committee, then we can discuss it at the next meeting.

4. Finance

TREASURERS REPORT

Current Bank Balance as at 16 February \$18877.40

Income

Hall Hire - None

Credit Interest - No credit interest is paid anymore

Expenses

Nil

The annual project funding allocation of \$3,000 for the 2026/27 financial year starts on 1 July 2026

Do we you any projects in your community plan that we would like to apply for funding from the contestable fund? This fund has a budget of \$60,000 p.a.

KIWITEA HALL QUARTERLY FINANCIALS

FINANCIAL REPORT as at 1/1/26 - 31/3/26

KIWITEA COMMUNITY

Opening Balance

18877.40

Plus Income

Hall Hire

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Credit Interest | |
| TOTAL | 0.00 |
| Less Expenses | |
| TOTAL | 0.00 |
| Closing Balance | 18877.40 as at 16/2/26 |

5. Council Update

Andrew Quarrie gave an update on the storm damage. There are 7,000 homes without power on the Monday night.

The council have 7 new councillors and will spend the next 3-4 months getting to know how the council works and what is happening. All the councillors hoped on a bus and went on a tour of the district including visiting infrastructure and various parts of the district to learn what's involved.

At the end of 2025 the Government introduced a number of new initiatives which they want feedback on from the councils early 2026.

The 1st council meeting was 10 days ago.

Andrew told the committee about his experience visiting East Timor and what its like over there and how he and the MDC can make a difference to them.

The creative community committee allocates money for various projects around the community for community art, such as murals on water tanks at McDonald Heights and Turners road, and the mural at Kiwitea School!

6. General

Jo asked about our facebook page and if we wanted to have more of a buy and sell on our community page. The consensus is to keep it at community notices.

There was discussion around the civil defence booklets. We need some more printed to keep at school and to let the community know there is a supply at school if anyone needs one, also for new members of the community.

A couple of years ago Vicki S and Amy W compiled a list of people in the community who have equipment which could be used in a civil defence emergency. Laura will followup with Hannah.

Ben Flintoff updated the committee on the weather over the last 24 hours. He was busy clearing the camp grounds and advising people who had stock near the river to move stock to higher ground. SH54 was hit badly with trees down. The focus is on people who are isolated and keeping people safe.

Thefts are continuing, a house on the outskirts of Kimbolton was burgled. It appears to be people from town coming out to commit crimes, not locals.

9. Next meeting date will be Monday 20 April at 7.pm.

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm

Signed
(Chair)
