

-KIWITEA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Location: Kiwitea Hall, Kiwitea

Date: 30 April 2025

Time: 7.00pm (NZST)

1. Present:

Michael Ford, Helen King, Vicki Doyle, Paula Scott, Jo Terry, Desiree Silk, Laura Brown, Amy Weston, Glen Terry

Apologies

Vicki Stack, Erana Cadwallader

2. Minutes from the last meeting

The minutes were passed as a true record of the meeting dated 29 January.

Moved: Jo T

Second: Desiree S

Matters Arising - Nil

3. Presentation of Draft Community Plan.

Tyson presented the draft Kiwitea Community plan based off information collated at the community consultation meeting. The committee agreed to circulate the draft plan in the next week or so to the community with feedback from the community to be received by the end of May.

The next community meeting will be held on 18 June to present the final plan.

Minutes from the KCC meeting to be circulated to the community with a one-page newsletter of what's happening in the community.

Correspondence

- Email from MDC regarding the community committees / council survey. Questions were discussed and Desiree to submit survey response on behalf of the committee.

4. Finance

Income

Sale of Kitchen Bench \$170 – Thank you Kate and Jo for organizing.

Credit Interest Jan- March \$15.56

Expenses

New Hisense Fridge \$949.00 plus Delivery \$139. Total \$1088.00

Dennis Jones Bathroom Labour \$927.50

Dennis Jones Bathroom Materials \$1000.68

BATHROOM

The Main building works of the bathroom have been finished.

Costs

Flooring Xtra \$4755.00 Paid by MDC less GST \$4134.78

Manawatu Plumbing \$5972.47 Paid by MDC less GST \$5193.43

Dennis Jones Labour \$927.50
Materials \$1000.68

Total paid by MDC \$9328.21
Total paid by KCC \$1928.18
Bathroom Refurb total so far \$11256.39

Paint work still to be completed

KIWITEA HALL QUARTERLY FINANCIALS

Opening Balance 21245.19

Plus Income

Hall Hire

Sale of Kitchen Bench

Credit Interest

TOTAL 185.56

Less Expenses

Dennis Jones - Bathroom labour

Reimburse Dennis Jones -bathroom materials

Reimburse V Doyle New Hisense Fridge

TOTAL 3016.18

Closing Balance 18414.57 as at 31/3/2555

5. General Business

Paula and Vicky D represented Kiwitea at the annual Council / Community committee meeting. Updates were presented from various council departments with the main take out being the funding update.

Funding applications to council are changing with funding now going through Smartygrants. Vicky Doyle will have the Kiwitea Community log in.

The annual \$3,000 request to the council for funding is no contestable with the one-off special projects funding being contestable.

Ideas for a community event were floated with a quiz night being a popular choice from the last community consultation meeting. Paula will look into this and double check with Kimbolton if they are putting one on this year.

6. Council Update

The MDC region currently has 16 community committees and this model works well. They are looking at implementing a similar model with local marae, with each marae having a local counsellor liaison.

The MDC are trying to sign off rates increase at an average of 5.99%. This is not final. Many, if not most, councils are proposing a significantly higher increase.

The freedom camping bylaw is under review. Council heard submissions from community members relating to freedom camping. The law states people who are 'homeless' are exempt from the bylaw, they are consulting on changes.

CBD car parking monitoring starts in May. A 3-hour limit applies to most of Feilding with some areas being 30 mins and some all day. Fines will be issued to those who park outside of the times.

The Development contributions were looking at being increased by 104%, This meant a single Feilding section sub division contribution would increase from \$26,000 to \$54,000. Consultation has closed and MDC have adopted an increase from \$26,000 to \$37,500. Feilding infill or intensification will go to about \$27,000. Rural sections have a contribution of \$7,000.

MDC are getting close to making a decision on 'Local waters done well'. The council received 505 submissions regarding the councils proposed three options. 96.4% of submissions agreed with the council on its preferred option being keeping water 'in house' and not combining with other councils.

The Cancer society have been advocating for the council to have a sun protection policy, particularly in public outdoor spaces. This is now in place.

MDC have purchased the land and buildings where the Coach house museum and Fruehauf are housed. They purchased this for a very good price.

The district plan is going out for consultation regarding the residential and town centre. It has been delayed until the legislation around class 3 soils being unable to be subdivided is changed.

Local Government elections are coming up, 50% of the current council are possibly not seeking re-election. The council need fresh faces to stand. Nominations open in July.

9. Next meeting date will be Wednesday 18 June at 7.pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Signed
(Chair)