

THE RANGIWAHIA COMMUNITY PLAN WAS REVIEWED AT THIS MEETING.

Rangiwahia Hall: 21 May 2025, 7.00pm

COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES, RANGIWAHIA HALL - 21 May 2025

PRESENT: Doug Brodie, Fiona Morton, Neville Batchelor, Shelley Dew-Hopkins, Grant Hadfield, Hash McDonald, Fraser Martin, Helen King, Janine Hawthorn, Steve Bielski, Mary Bielski, Lorna Day, Greg Clifton, Peter Mangold, Kate Gee Taylor

APOLOGIES:

Natalie Masters, Rose Brodie, Bridget Murphy, Ian Hopkins

PREVIOUS MINUTES 12 February 2025

Taken as read.

M/S: MB/NB

MATTERS ARISING

1. Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

2. Correspondence

In (via email)

- Community Committee Bulletin (MDC)
- B Murphy - Feral Cats
- Joint Community Committee Forum Minutes - hosted by MDC

Out (via email)

- Smarty Grants Registration

M/S: FM/Fraser Martin

FINANCIALS

3. Financials as at May 2025

Go Account	\$ 228.73
OnCall	\$ 8,919

MB discussed expenditure and reimbursements. Advised paper copies of accounts available for review.

That the Financial Report be accepted.

M/S: MB/PM

Community Committee funding balance is \$828.11

GENERAL BUSINESS

4. Rangiwahia Community Plan

Janine Hawthorn and Helen King walked those present through a review of the Community Plan. Amendments made. Reviewed copy will be circulated prior to the August meeting

5. Domain Grazing Management

Fraser Martin discussed how the domain is currently managed. Those present agreed there were some unnecessary restrictions given the way the domain is used. It was agreed that as long as the domain was tidy and Fraser was aware of upcoming events, then Fraser could use his discretion around stock rotations. A sign will be added to the Domain gate advising that no dogs are allowed on the domain.

6. Feral animals

Bridget Murphy (via email) raised the issue of feral animals (cats) around the Church and village areas. This was discussed. Noted district wide issue. SB advised that the Community only has kill traps in the Reserve. GC advised he was trialling some traps on his farm. SDH advised that, in time, some pest traps may be available through the catchment group. It was recommended to contact the Regional Council to see if Bridget could borrow a trap off them.

7. Kitchen Sink and Cabinet

Discussion on removal of the single sink in the kitchen were had. HMc looked at the job. All agreed that if it was removed then it was just to be capped off in case it was hooked up again in future. Removal vs Non-removal was discussed.

Motion 1: That the sink is removed.

M/S: SDH/Fraser Martin

For/against: 6/5 (carried)

DB - abstained

MB circulated an image of the cabinet to be installed in the kitchen. Open shelves with matching benchtop. All agreed to proceed. This will be funded by the remaining portion of the 24/25 Council money and topped up by the Hall account as follows:

Total for the shelf cabinet - \$1242.00 including GST

\$952.33 incl GST MDC to pay

\$289.67 for the Hall to pay

This project will use the remaining 2024/2025 funds.

8. Mailman

Our loyal mailman, Glen, will no longer be doing the RD54 run. This will be taken over by Julie Verma. She and her husband currently look after the Apiti and RD7 runs. The option for milk and bread will no longer be provided. All agreed that it would be appropriate to get Glen a gift. The Hall account will be used. FM to ask Nat to include a request in the next newsletter to the community with bank account

details. As we are not having a midwinter function, we will invite Glen to the Christmas party at the end of the year.

Action: Nat to include notice in newsletter.

9. Hall Toilets

MB advised that Anne Cresswill no longer cleans the hall toilets. As a thank you for undertaking this job, MB suggested she is given a \$100 gift card. All agreed. We are fortunate that Sarah M has agreed to take this over.

Future thank you gifts may be required for others, but this will be discussed closer to Christmas.

10. Community \$3000 expenditure

Helen King advised that we have a \$3000 allocation for the 25/26 year. Projects will need to be submitted via the SmartyGrants portal by 30 June. If there projects required greater \$\$, these should be made, with quotes, to the 'Contestable Fund' Meeting discussed possible expenditure ideas.

1. BBQ storage (carryover of 2024/2025).
2. Back of stage tidy up.
3. Sensor spotlight.
4. Memorabilia display area.

Project 4 determined to be contestable fund project, with a project team of GC, Fraser, PM, HMc and MB

Action: All quotes to be with Fiona by 20 June
(for submitting to SmartyGrants)

Additional projects were discussed including painting of hall toilet exterior doors and lichen on hall. Agreed these were the responsibility of MDC Parks and Property.

11. Traffic/Police Report

No report

COUNCIL REPORTS

12. Officer report - Helen King

The upcoming Council elections were discussed. While it is normal for Rangiwahia to host 'meet the candidates', this year we are happy for Kimbolton to host it. Steve Bielski advised the meeting that he would not be seeking re-election. Thanks were extended to Steve for his time on Council (4 terms). Shelley Dew Hopkins advised that this year, she would be seeking a seat on Council in these elections.

Otara Road bridge 'bumps' are in progress. No timeframe given.

Village signage - all agreed that something needs to be done. This message needs to be continued to be relayed to Council.

Discussion on feral animal (deer) signage. Helen to raise this.

Helen said that Community Honors were now open if there is someone in the Community we wished to nominate.

13. Council Report - Cllr Hadfield

Council update since last meeting

February 2025

- Feb 20th saw Council meet at the St Johns meeting room Bowen Street while the reroof project of the Council building takes place.
- Representative grant presentations – Jahle and Lei-lani Ponga spoke to the Council about representing Manawatu at TNZ Youth Nationals, U16 Touch rugby.
- Cr Bridget Bell spoke to Council about her LGNZ role with Young Elected Members
- Annual plan consultation, Council elected not to undertake consultation as changes under consideration are not materially different from Y2 of the LTP 2024-34.
- Sport Manawatu 6 monthly report
- Approval to publicly notify consultation for the freedom camping bylaw.

March 2025

- Feilding Civic Centre Trust 6 month report
- Hearing of Development and Financial Contributions Submissions
- Statements of Expectation – Council Controlled Organisations
- Parking time limit – schedule for approval. Council approved changes to parking limits after feedback from the trial period.
- Approval to Publicly notify the consultation document for Local Water Done Well.
- Audit and Risk Committee quarterly report to December
- Renaming of Echo Place to Echo Street
- Manawatu Community Trust 6 month report to Dec 2024 and Statement of Intent 2025-2028
- Adoption of Sun Protection Policy

April 2025

- Representative Fund Presentation: Nathaniel Hastelow and Kaydence-Capri Quinlan presented to Council
- Plan Change I: Minor Amendments Operative Report
- Approval to Notify Plan Change B, Residential Review and Plan Change E, Town Centre Review
- Significance & Engagement Policy: Approval to Consult
- Representative Fund Recipient–Tumai Burton speaking to Council about participation in the TNZ Youth Nationals, U16 Touch Rugby.
- Te Maruata Presentation - Councillor Bridget Bell presenting to Council.
- Awahuri Forest Kitchener Park Trust 6 month report to 31 December
- Ceda Six-Month Report To 31 December 2024 & Draft Statement Of Intent 2025 To 2026

- Hearing Of Submissions – Freedom Camping Bylaw (9.20 Am)
- Road Stopping – Bailey Road Ohakea
- Approval To Notify Plan Change A: Rural And Flood Channel Review

Submissions Lodged On Behalf Of Council 26 November 2024 To 9 March 2025

1. Building Resilience to Hazards - November 2024
2. Amplify : A Creative and Arts Strategy for NZ- Manatū Taonga - December 2024
3. Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi Bill - January 2025
4. Electoral Reform Working Group: Issues Paper - January 2025
5. Resource Management (Consenting and Other System Changes) Amendment Bill -February 2025
6. Local Government (Water Services) Amendment Bill - February 2025
7. Proposals to Modernise the Conservation System - February 2025
8. Review of Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Statements of General Policy - March 2025
9. Economic Regulation of Water Services - Information Disclosures Discussion Paper -March 2025
10. Consumer Guarantees (Right to Repair) Amendment Bill - April 2025
11. Deliberations For the Development and Financial Contributions Policy
12. Adoption Of the Development and Financial Contributions Policy

May 2025

Representative Fund: Cheryl Hirschberg - Ironman 70.3 World Championship
Tiana Keo - U16 Youth Touch Nationals
Te Tu Mataora - Te Matatini O Te Kaahui Maunga 2025

- Hearing Of Submissions and Deliberations for Local Water Done 19 Well Consultation
- Fees And Charges: Adoption Of Animal Control Fees 2025/26
- Fees And Charges: Proposed Planning, Environmental Health And Development Contribution Fees and Charges For 2025/26
- Receipt Of the Welcoming Communities Focus Group Plan 2025- 2027
- Decision On Local Water Done Well – unanimous decision for in house delivery model
- Adoption Of the Remuneration and Reimbursement For External Committee Members Policy
- Hearing Of Submissions - Significance & Engagement Policy
- Local Government New Zealand Membership – agreed to maintain membership on an 8 to 4 vote.

14. Upcoming events:

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Meeting closed: 9.12 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday 27 August 2025

Meeting Outcomes/Actions

1. MB to action Cabinet install
2. MB to purchase gift card for Ann Cresswill

3. Project quotes to be with Fiona by 20 June (for submitting to SmartyGrants)
4. Nat to include notice in newsletter re gift for Glen - mailman

Manawatu District Council Actions

5. Additional Bus and Speed signs required (outstanding November meeting).
6. Exterior door of hall toilets repainting.
7. Lichen on exterior walls.
8. Discussions re dress circle toilet (outstanding November meeting)
9. Otara Road Rangitikei River Bridge bumps require addressing (ongoing)
10. Feral animal (deer) signage

Signed

Doug Brodie
Chair
21 May 2025