

Rongotea Community Committee Meeting Minutes

Community Committee	Rongotea	DATE	6.10.2025
LOCATION	Community Centre	TIME OPEN & CLOSED	7.30pm and 8.30pm
ATTENDEES	L Berry - Chariman	B Procter	K Leavesley
	C Munn - Secretary	A Gloyn	H King – Community Services Co-ordinator
	F Underwood - Councillor	H Wheeler	S Liverton
	A Quarrie Councillor	L Barlow	
APOLOGIES	N Munn		
Minutes from Septmeber 2025 meeting moved and seconded as a true record.			
INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:			
N/A			
MATTER ARISING			
Banks Road Speed Limit moved to 70km can the MDC please investigate and help get this approved. Response from MDC Banks Road speed limit Encapsulated in forthcoming speed management proposal for 70kph. Submission on the proposal is welcomed when the consultation document is released later this year. Application is dependent on taking into account all submissions.			
Banks Road Walkway extended out by 250 meters, can the MDC please investigate and help get this approved. Response from MDC all of the works for the wastewater centralisation pipeline are complete. The missing section in the middle will be completed soon, additional section of footpath along Banks Road to the south (approximately 250 metres), will be completed at the same time as the 'missing' section is constructed			
Fibre needs to be installed at the Community Centre, can the MDC please make a decision on who is paying as the RCC doesn't agree that this should be taken from the community funding and should be paid for by MDC like it has been in previous years when the old copper line used.			
Safety Camera & Power point quote have been received RCC will need to seek funding			
Te Kawau play ground can the MDC please advise when this will be scheduled for an upgrade, as the Slide has been taken away without notification. Repsonse fom MDC Te Kawau Playground is scheduled for replacement next FY (2026/2027). The slide was removed due to health and safety reasons – it had cracked and there was significant movement of the plastic and an immediate risk to users.			
Street Lights added to the village, MDC can this please be looked at again the last response we had was the lighting in the village in adequate. We have our community member walking in the evening and they feel the lighting is not adequate. Prone to large pockets of shadows making it dangerous to pick up variances in path surfaces and safety concerns due to lack of sufficient lighting, reponse from MDC Street lighting will require an investigation/assessment of current arrangement/adequacy and can be carried out in the next 18 months, subject to agreement by Council to fund activity.			
GENERAL BUSINESS			
Lance Berry Roofing invoice \$129.23 approved by C Munn and second by H Wheeler			
Cremation Wall to be installed at the Rongotea Cemetery, L Berry meeting MDC to propose a spot for it to be installed.			
Rongotea Fire Spectacular to be held Friday 7th November hosted by the Rongotea fire brigade.			
To our dedicated writer: We are looking to develop content centered on Rongotea. Please let us know if you would be interested in taking on one of the following assignments: Researching and writing an article on the history of Rongotea, Drafting a formal Letter to the Editor on a topic pertinent to the community, these would then be put in the Rongotea Times.			
Te Kawau play ground can the MDC please look at putting up a No dogs sign please.			
Rongotea Square Gazebo can the MDC please have this tidied up it in need a sand and repaint, as it has a lot of graffiti.			
Thank You to Fiona Underwood for your dedication and help you have given the Rongotea Community Committee in the time you have been a MDC Councillor			
COUNCIL REPORT			
N/A			
Facebook group – Rongotea Community Committee			
Email: rongoteacommunitycommitee@gmail.com			
NEXT MEETING			

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Date	3.11.2025	Time	7:30pm
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Council Update October 2025 – Rongotea

In the 4th September meeting, Council was presented with the Residents Satisfaction Survey. Largest increases in satisfaction level compared to the same period last year were in the area of enquiry handling. Largest decreases in satisfaction level were in the regulatory areas of dog control and liquor licensing. *(The survey can be viewed in the Council Agenda of 4 September 2025, beginning on page 14).*

In the 18th September meeting, Council heard three oral submissions on the draft Public Places Bylaw. Two submitters spoke on the smoking and vaping section of the policy and one submitter spoke regarding the misuse of vehicles in Timona Park and the need for a clearer definition of a vehicle. *(The written submissions can be viewed in the Council Agenda of 18 September 2025, beginning on page 20).*

Also in this meeting, Council gave approval for officers to lodge 'Plan Stop' exemption applications with the Minister for the Environment for Proposed Plan Change E: Feilding Town Centre and for a draft plan change relating to designations. Council also gave approval for officers to formally withdraw Plan Change B: Residential Zone and give public notice of such.

Council approved loan funding of \$5.3 million for a period of 20 years to Manawatu Community Trust, for the construction of 12 new accessible rental units at Corrick Court, Feilding. Manawatu Community Trust will make repayments of interest and principal to MDC monthly. *(The Future Plans – Business Case of this Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) can be viewed in the Council Agenda of 18 September 2025, beginning on page 49).*

In the 2nd October meeting, Council received the MDC Draft Annual Report to 30 June 2025, on the recommendation of the Audit and Risk Committee. The report was deemed by the committee to show a very good result. *(After its return from Audit NZ, the report will be available on the MDC website under Council/Plans, Reports & Strategies).*

In the Public Excluded Session of the meeting, Council voted to release 11 Public Excluded Resolutions into Open Session. *(Details of these resolutions can be viewed in the minutes of the 2 October 2025 Council meeting).*

The five retiring Councillors and Mayor Worboys gave their valedictory addresses in the final meeting for the triennium. *(These addresses can be viewed in the meeting video of the 2 October 2025 Council meeting).*