

Sanson Community Committee Meeting Minutes  
Sanson Hall  
12th March 2025

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| Opening              | 1920, after election of Officers   |
| Present              | <p><b>Committee:</b> Steve Gill (Chairperson, SG), Alicea Brosnan (Secretary, AB), Tuku Morgan(TM), Caroline Smith(CS), Shane Hainsworth(SH), Brynn Neilson(BN), Jen Berquist(JB), Grant McGaughey(GM), Trevor Hendra(TH).</p> <p><b>Manawatu District Council:</b> Alison Short(AS), Janine Hawthorn(JH)</p> <p><b>Public:</b> Pam Workman, Del Parker, Craig Berquist, Bill.</p>   |
| Apologies            | There were no apologies recorded   |
| Election of Officers | <p>Cr Alison Short called for nominations for Chairperson.</p> <p>Steve Gill<br/>Moved: Brynn<br/>Seconded Jen<br/>With there being no further nominations Steve was declared elected to the position of Chairperson.<br/>Steve called for nominations for Secretary.<br/>Alicea Brosnan<br/>Moved: Grant<br/>Seconded: Brynn<br/>With there being no further nominations Alicea was declared elected to the position of Secretary.<br/>It was agreed to leave the appointment of a Treasurer for now as currently there is no need for the Community Committee to operate its own bank account with Council currently managing the funding it provides the community committee on its behalf.</p> |
| Previous Minutes     | <p><b>15 Jan 2026 Minutes;</b><br/>Moved: Alicea<br/>Seconded: Tuku<br/><b>Triennial Minutes;</b><br/>Moved: Grant<br/>Seconded: Jen<br/>Read and confirm as correct.<br/>Current minutes:<br/>Shared with the Community Chair for Review <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br/>Sent to Committee for confirmation of correctness. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br/>Sent to <a href="mailto:communitycommittees@mdc.govt.nz">communitycommittees@mdc.govt.nz</a></p>  |
| Correspondence In    | <p>12/2/26 MDC Council News Items<br/>19/2/26 MDC Check in Following Storm event</p>   |

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|                     | <p>2/3/26 Alicea - ANZAC at Sanson Hall - Feilding Brass Band confirms attendance</p> <p>2/3/26 MDC Council News Items</p>   |
| Correspondence Out  | N/A  |
| Matters Arising     | <p><b>Terms of reference matters:</b></p> <p>A quorum will be no less than 4</p> <p>Public Meetings will be held 2nd Thursday every month in the Hall at 7pm</p> <p>AB Bus shelter sign has been installed now</p> <p>AB Quote for Missile Rubbish bins just arrived - Discuss in General Business</p> <p>CS Code of Conduct - Discuss in General Business.</p>  |
| Councillor's Report | <p>The February weather event (the storm with no name), resulted in the Manawatū District declaring a state of emergency, alongside Rangitikei, Tararua and Horizons.</p> <p>The severe weather brought heavy rain and flooding in the Pohangina catchment, over topping several bridges and causing the river to greatly change the course of its channel in several places.</p> <p>No reports of homes been flooded, but roads and farm land impacted.</p> <p>The rest of the district was pummelled by gale force winds with wind speeds beyond 200km per hour recorded in the Himatangi, Tangimoana, Rongotea and Sanson areas.</p> <p>Hundreds of trees came down causing multiple power outages, road closures and private property damage.</p> <p>Parts of the district had no power for up to a week.</p> <p>No welfare centres were activated.</p> <p>We are still in a state of recovery. The roading contractor has worked hard to keep roads open with many sites still under speed restriction while slips and trees are still being cleared.</p> <p>Janine is leaving Council to join Manawatu Community Trust who manage the pensioner housing units.</p> |
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| General Business    | <p><b>Bus shelter</b> - one of the future projects hoping to be realised, current one fully completed and Logo installed. Pam advised graffiti has been removed - this is a community asset which we all need to care for. Use Atenno to loge jobs like this.</p> <p><b>Missile Rubbish Bins</b> - Quote just arrived, tagged funds in SCC Council account, Society has committed \$3K contribution, offer for set of 5. Proposed financing if all in agreement: \$8750incl - \$3300 Project Funding Balance 25/26 - \$3000 from SCUS = \$2450 request for 26-27 Project funding just to finish the project.</p>   |

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|                    | <p>3 bins will be purchased, the Project fund balance from 25-26 (approved and “tagged” by MDC) and quantity balance from SCUS.<br/>Will look at getting more at a later date.</p> <p><b>CS: Code of Conduct to be on Committee</b> - Clean slate status as of the formation of the new committee. Any grievances that occur are to be brought to the Chair who will manage it.</p> <p><b>SG: Neighbourhood Support</b> information shared. CCTV registration network encouraged to assist identifying people/vehicles etc. Joining encouraged to keep our neighbourhoods safe. Offers Blue Light events for Street parties/Youth, looking for Street co-ordinators so Email if interested.</p> <p><b>AB - Funding Forum Event</b> on 1st April from 5pm at the Council. Circulated information.</p> <p><b>ANZAC: Saturday 23rd April 2026 0900-1030 approx.</b><br/>SG:Chaplin/MC - Roger Blake - SG to work with him<br/>: Logged with Wellington - Fly over and staff attendance<br/>: Fresh Reth offered and accepted.<br/>: Piper offered and accepted.</p> <p>Grant - Setup - needs public assistance please on Friday night<br/>SCUS will sponsor Catering, Band/Bugler and Sound System.<br/>Programme - Steve to provide details to Del<br/>Jen confirmed as chief caterer - will recruit helpers.</p> <p><b>BN: Enrichments &amp; IT upgrades</b><br/>Brynn has offered to refresh the Sanson website and set up a SCC fb page which will be shared in committee and made public after consensus.</p> <p><b>Planter Boxes</b> - Historical project needing maintenance and freshening up, SCUS has a funding application in play to do this, SCC to Survey Villagers for feedback on continued use for villagers.</p> <p><b>CS: Recycling Dumping</b> - call to public to keep an eye out and please report on Atenno as it logs the job to pick up ASAP.</p> <p><b>TH Heritage boards</b> installed, Skyehawke Playground cleaned up by MDC.</p> <p><b>JB:</b> Issues with Heritage boards - spelling and editing - all final drafts/proofs shared with members of the Committee and approved for printing.</p> |
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| Meeting Closed     | 2045   |
| Next Meeting is on | 9 Apr 2026<br>Apologies: Tuku, Alicea (Steve will take minutes)  |
| Actions:           | <p>Provide shared common seal for Brynn to use on fb page <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Construct Survey for villagers to engage with online regarding the planter boxes.</p> <p>Get the APP - Antenno:<br/><a href="https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/antenno/id1119032181">https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/antenno/id1119032181</a></p> <p>Investigate surname correction to Heritage board <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>   |

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| Next Agenda | Continue discussing other projects in play |
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