



Sanson Community Committee Meeting Minutes
St Thomas's Hall
15 Jan 2026

Opening	1913
Present	<p>Committee: Grant McGaughey (Chairperson), Alicea Brosnan (Secretary) Jen Berquist (Treasurer), Manawatu District Council: Lyn Daly, Janine Hawthorn, James Adamson, Andrew Quarry, Public: Pam Workman, Leona & Stan Smith, Tania Rogan, Steve Gill, Craig Burquist, Belinda and Stephen (Tuku) Morgan.</p>
Apologies	Grayson Marsh. Del Parker.
Previous Minutes	December 2025 Minutes; Moved: Alicea Seconded: Grant Read and confirmed as correct.
Correspondence In	Lock box for Hall
Correspondence Out	Request for SCC Statement of account with MDC
Matters Arising	Lock box bought
Councillor's Report	Report on Sanson Event: Public Event, went well despite weather and attendance concerns. Support Systems, communications query Belinda (Head of Social Services) - Addiction Support.
Agenda	<p>Sanson Community Committee</p> <p>Agenda 15th January 2026 7pm Venue TBC due to Hall roof work. If it's not on the agenda, it could be deferred until the next month. Email Alicea anytime with Agenda requests.</p>

Report on Celebrate Sanson Event -

very positive, good attendance, connected with Youth staff to work a network of possible "Youth Squad" to assist committee eg. care of planter boxes, Hendra Planting programme, scrimming base of fruit trees etc.

Hendra Project -Native walkway and respite area next to the Cemetery - progressing through Council - permission granted to proceed.

Planting day to be advised, will require public assistance.

Rapid Response team to cater? - keep everyone watered and a meal to finish with.

Request update on timeframes of work expected so we can plan a comms plan to invite/engage public and Enviro schools etc.

SCC Regular use of Notice boards and Sanson Community fb pages

- Now that noticeboards are installed.

Noticeboard Sites = Village hall, Sky Hawke Playground asked Viv's kitchen if they would like one and a magazine/book swap in airhanger style. Asked - No thankyou.

- Janine's Council bulletins
- Ratified Minutes of SCC in hardcopy, otherwise posted on fb "Sanson Community" page by Dee.
- Dee suggested SCC could post the agenda on the School noticeboard (residents only) and on Sanson Community fb page with instructions to engage with the secretary etc if anyone wants to have something discussed and/or attend. Keep up the rule "if not on the Agenda will not be discussed until the following meeting".
- In view of recent unfounded and false fb accusations regarding SCC management of taxpayers funding - provide a Statement of Community Development Fund for public transparency. Invite engagement by Email submissions for getting approved tasks completed or adding to a list of tasks to be approved. ✓

Care of the fruit trees and existing planter boxes:

Fruit trees - scrim their bases to clear from weeds, check leaves for infection. Consult about use of spray? Or other forms of care - consult Green by Nature

Planter boxes - weed, soil/compost, planting with food related crops eg herbs, self seeders. Consulted Robyn Peart from Sanson Community Market - silverbeet, lettuce (pick again type) beans, cucumbers.

Dee advises planting wind-breaking species and put herbs or softer crops under/within.

A.N.Z.A.C Organisation:

Set up team (3): Stage, chairs, sound system

Pack down team (3):

Sound system:

Local Minister:

Ohakea contact details

- Staff present
- Flyover
- Minister

Catering - who:

Budget:

Order: Sandwiches, savouries, cakes/slices, pancakes, sausage rolls & tom sauce,

Drinks - Tea, coffee, milk, sugar, Juice

Triannual Preparation. 12th February 7pm venue TBC due to Hall roof work

Officiated by Alison/Janine to dissolve the current committee and gather up to 10 Community Committee members from Sanson Residents only. Followed by First Meeting to elect executives (Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary).

Lease of the Sanson Community Market/Gull end of the carpark cnr SHW1&3:

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Is the lease held by the committee or by an individual.

Request of proof of that lease.

Prep: I have requested permission of the land owner to share his private business at a public meeting. The owner works only with Grant McGaughey until such time as he chooses to stop or the owner decides to sell the land.

*ABR/BBQ Bill (SC Market): Move rubbish bin from grass verge outside Country Machinery to Community Market side of SHW1 so folk aren't crossing the SHW to use a rubbish bin.

*New Years Social media points

Share statement of Council Development Fund (Ratepayers money) spending - only by approval, invoices are sent directly to Council by the approved contractor who pays the contractor on SCC behalf.

Sanson Community Committee Project Funding 2021-2026		
Year	Project	Amount
2021-22	SCC Project Funding allocation not used	\$ -
2022-23	Replace damaged Welcome to Sanson sign (SH1)	\$ 4,144.00
2023-24	SCC Project Funding allocation not used	\$ -
2024-25	Purchase and install seating	\$ 4,320.15
2025-26	History Boards Design	\$ 1,500.00
2025-26	Print History Board	\$ 900.00
2025-26	Lockable Notice Board	\$ 3,380.00
		\$ 14,244.15
	Balance remaining 2025-26: \$3,309.00	
	Project remaining to be completed - replacing green plastic rubbish bins in the village with metal Ohakea themed bins	
General Business	<p>Emphasis on <u>owner</u> of Community Market land, separate to the private market on the Motel land. Every right to define his boundary.</p> <p>Hendra Project explained - Native planting and respite area planned for Cemetery Road - calling for public assistance with tree planting etc.</p> <p>Heidi asked about a large bump on Main Road - referred to NZTA by James and Roding manager to see what can be done.</p> <p>Steve Gill requests tightening of information - send emergency information to the regional co-ordinator (himself).</p> <p>Tuku - Cemetery Road Walking track - mowing fortnightly, spray 6mo - overgrown, rutting, weeds through lime - report on Antenno. Need provision of process, participation, Funding, comms between SCC and Council in future.</p> <p>James - Parks mowing/spraying, Roding = Lime, Comms with Incognito. Tuku suggested developing a process - locals contributing time and effort. Comms straight to James who will co-ordinate with Roding team.</p> <p>All comms of repairs needing done through Antenno</p> <p>Planter Boxes - plants donated, boxes constructed and being upgraded with further funding applied.</p>	
Meeting Closed	2028	

Next Meeting is on	Triennial 12th February 2026
Actions:	NA
Next Agenda	NA