

ORDER PAPER

BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 10 May 2023
Time: 6.00pm
Venue: Te Matapihi Hall, Te Matapihi
Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
Bulls

Chair: Mr Greg Smith
Deputy Chair: Ms Andrea Leighton
Membership: Mr Nigel Bowen
Mr Bruce Dear
Mr Patrick McKenna
Mr Etienne Lambrecht
Mr Peter Howard
Cr Brian Carter
Cr Jarrod Calkin (alternate)
HWTM Andy Watson

Purpose of the Committee

- To provide a local link and point of contact for Council liaison with the community.
- To provide for the exchange of information, communication, and to assist with the Council's consultative processes.
- To exercise delegated authority for the annual allocation of \$1.00 per rateable property for "defined small local works" in line with the guidelines provided¹.
- Particularly, to help ensure that any minor remedial or renewal works are brought to Council's attention through the Request for Service procedure, by promoting its use and advising community members on how to use it.
- To be the first point of contact (prior to Council) for community groups. Where this is not possible, the Committee will be informed of the approach by the community group to the Council.
- Applications for the Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund are considered and commented on by the Committee prior to the application being considered by Council.
- Placemaking initiatives that are taking place on Council land will be considered and commented on by the Committee before the application is considered by the Chief Executive.
- To engage with wider/small communities of the ward represented.

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¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Bulls Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Te Matapihi Hall, Te Matapihi, Bulls Community Centre, 4 Criterion Street, Bulls on Wednesday, 10 May 2023 at 6.00pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome / Prayer

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That, taking into account the explanation provided why the item is not on the meeting agenda and why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting, [enter item number](#) be dealt as a late item at this meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Bulls Community Committee Meeting held on 14 March 2023** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Bulls Community Committee Meeting - 14 March 2023**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Bulls Community Committee Meeting held on 14 March 2023 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

MINUTES

ITEM 6.1

ATTACHMENT 1



RANGITIKEI
DISTRICT COUNCIL
Making this place home.

UNCONFIRMED: BULLS COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, 14 March 2023
Time: 6.00pm
Venue: Te Matapihi Hall
Bulls Community Centre
4 Criterion Street
Bulls

Present

- Mr Nigel Bowen
- Mr Gregory Smith
- Ms Andrea Leighton
- Mr Patrick McKenna
- Mr Etienne Lambrecht
- Cr Brian Carter
- Cr Jarrod Calkin
- HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

- Ms Sheryl Srohj, Property Manager
- Ms Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

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1 Welcome

Meeting opened at 6.03pm

HWTM welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/001

Apologies received by Bruce Dear and Peter Howard.

HWTM directly appoints Bruce Dear and Peter Howard to the Bulls Community Committee.

Cr B Carter/Mr P McKenna. Carried

3 Public Forum

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

6 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

Taken as read.

7 Reports for Decision

7.1 Election of Chair - Bulls Community Committee

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/002

That the Bulls Community Committee, for the purpose of electing or appointing persons under Clause 25, adopt System B.

Mr E Lambrecht/Mr G Smith. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/003

That Gregory Smith be appointed Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

Mr G Smith/Mr E Lambrecht. Carried

7.2 Election of Deputy Chair - Bulls Community Committee

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/004

That Andrea Leighton be appointed Deputy Chair of the Bulls Community Committee.

Mr P McKenna/Ms A Leighton. Carried

7.3 Guidance and Draft Terms of Reference - Bulls Community Committee

Mr Smith reminded the committee that it represents Council and the community.

Meeting frequency will be every two months on the second Wednesday at 6.00pm at Te Matapihi Hall.

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/005

That the report, Guidance and Draft Terms of Reference – Bulls Community Committee, be received.

Mr E Lambrecht/Mr N Bowen. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/006

That the committee invite Ohakea to provide a representative for the committee.

Cr B Carter/Mr N Bowen. Carried

7.4 Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan

Further consultation will be had with the committee with Katrina Gray present.

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/007

That the report 'Community Consultation - Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond, draft Community Spatial Plan' be received.

Mr E Lambrecht/Mr N Bowen. Carried

7.5 Mayor's Report - February 2023

The committee questioned the role of the Four Regions Trust in the district and the role the representatives on the trust have. HWTM responded that they distribute funds in the district to community groups and activities.

The draft annual plan will be released this week which HWTM encourages committees members to submit on.

ITEM 6.1 ATTACHMENT 1

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/008

That the Mayor’s Report – February 2023 be received.

Ms A Leighton/Mr E Lambrecht. Carried

8 Reports for Information

8.1 Community Development Manager Report - November 2022

Taken as read.

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/009

That the Community Development Manager Report – November 2022 be received.

Mr G Smith/Cr B Carter. Carried

8.2 Small Projects Fund Update - March 2023

The committee requested further information on previous expenditure.

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/010

That the report ‘Small Projects Fund Update – March 2023’ be received.

Mr N Bowen/Mr E Lambrecht. Carried

8.3 Funding Schemes Update - March 2023

It was noted that the creative communities nominations are now open and looking for assessors to join the committee.

Resolved minute number 23/BCC/011

That the Funding Schemes Update –March 2023 be received.

Ms A Leighton/Mr E Lambrecht. Carried

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Bulls Community Committee held on .

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Chairperson

7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Bulls Community Committee meetings. Items indicate who is responsible for follow up, and a brief status comment.

2. Decision Making Process

2.1 Staff have assessed the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 in relation to this item and have concluded that, as this report is for information only, the decision-making provisions do not apply.

Attachments:

1. **Follow-up Actions Register** [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Bulls Community Committee Meetings' be received.

Current Follow-up Actions

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	14-Mar-23	That staff see if Ohakea would like to provide a representative to BCC meetings	Kezia Spence	An email has been sent to the previous representative, they are no longer in the region. Another has been sent to see if they would like representation on the community committee.	In progress
2	31-May-22	That council investigate and liaise with Ms R Turner if more information is required on where the billboards have gone that were on construction fences while Te Matapihi had been developed and report back to the committee.	Arno Benadie	No information to provide at this time.	In progress
3	29-Mar-22	Better Signage for Bathrooms: Propose to Council that they investigate better bathroom signage. Map of where these should go. Propose removal of old toilets.	Arno Benadie	New signage has been installed to point pedestrians to the new public toilets.	Closed
4	31-Jan-22	The Committee would like the pedestrian crossing on Tuimahi Street to be raised. They also want an update on a suitable stock route.	Arno Benadie	Request received. Traffic counters will be installed on Tuimahi Street to gather more information. Results are expected by the end of June 2023. Update 31 May 22: No further follow up is required from Mr Benadie regarding an update on a suitable stock route in Bulls.	In progress
5	28-Oct-21	Also under Council: With regards to the recommendation from the Bulls Community Committee for rubbish bin/s at the picnic area at the Bulls river: A recommendation by Council to approve this request was lost, and Cr Gordon instead requested that staff contact Horizons Regional Council and request that they investigate this further as this area of land lies under their responsibility.	Arno Benadie / Murray Phillips	Staff are working on an updated Memorandum of Understanding between ourselves and Horizons on arrangements for issues where they overlap each Council. (eg flytipping under the Bulls bridge).	In progress
6	11-Aug-21	RDC please look at traffic calming options on Criterion St and Taumaihi St. 31 Jan 22: The committee believes the traffic count was done but no tubing was laid? They are waiting on data from the traffic count.	Arno Benadie	Traffic counting tubes to be put on Criterion and Taumaihi St for a week. The date collected will determine traffic counts, speeds and times to see if traffic calming is required. May 2023 update - Traffic counters are to be installed on Tuimahi Street to obtain updated data on traffic movements. Expected date for results is the end of June 2023. Previous recorded traffic counts on Criterion Street recorded 1270 average daily traffic and 860 average daily traffic with 12% being heavy commercial vehicles. Both counts are within the range for a road of this width in this location on the network.	In progress

8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - May 2023

Author: Greg Smith, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The Chair may provide an update during the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Chair's Report – May 2023 be received.

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Mayor's Report to Council - April 2023

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

Tena kotou katoa

The major news this month has been the revised position from Central Government to the “Three Waters”. Minister Kieran McAnulty has renamed the legislation Affordable Water and the key points are:

1. The timing of the reform has been moved out by two years to 2026.
2. We, the Rangitīkei are now in a new entity - one of ten rather than four, now including Palmerston North, Manawatu, Whanganui, Tararua and Ruapehu.
3. The Tranche 2 funding of \$1.2b nationally has been withdrawn from the Better Off Funding allocation from Government (we note the funding agreement under Tranche 1 will still be honoured).

These are the bare bones of the restructure, and the details are still yet to be understood. The implications of these changes are, in my mind:

1. Every Council will get a seat and a say on the Regional Representation Co-Governorship Advisory Panel. It is important to note that the entity board will still be appointed on the principle of best person for the position. These changes mean that our Council will have a closer linking to the decisions that affect us.
2. The delay of two years means that the opportunity for further changes post the general election is increased.
3. The uncertainty for staff is troubling and the workloads associated with Annual Plans and Long Term Plan positions are more challenging.
4. Relationships between our new entity members and the regional council will require a re-think. We have previously been put in Entity B which did not include Tararua, Manawatu and Palmerston North.
5. The four entities were based on the strength of the combined financial balance sheet of the members and Government insisted that any more than four entities would not be financially viable. There has been little detail around these new visions and the ability to be able to attract the loans needed for upgrades and compliance.

The Government is still silent on many aspects of the reforms especially on the basis of price harmonisation, or in other words the bigger Councils subsidising the smaller ones. I wonder how Palmerston North will view this position in the future?

The Regional Land Transport Plan described as the RLTP is currently being developed and in my view there is a real danger that the shift on priorities is from maintenance of the network to alternative transport modes, climate change and safety. The reality is that safety is being compromised by the standard of the network. These plans are important – what flows from them is the transport investment priorities. I have been invited to a meeting representing rural Councils at the Waka Kotahi Board on 1 May in Wellington to discuss this further. This meeting will be preceded by a

Zoom on 26 April which will see me hand the Chair over to Deputy Mayor Dave Wilson during the latter part of the Council meeting that afternoon so I can attend.

There are some things that concern me from a Local Government New Zealand position, the major one is that Auckland has withdrawn its membership from LGNZ and as I understand it the value of LGNZ is being questioned by several other Councils too. I personally believe that Rangitikei sees incredible value in the membership of LGNZ and the ability to have a voice to Government through LGNZ is something that we rely on. We work with them extensively with regard to submissions and we are funded directly from them for such things as the Mahi Tahi programme which has resulted in a huge number of local people gaining skills and obtaining jobs.

LGNZ will hold their AGM on 26 July and what is likely to be a hotly contested election for the president and deputy president roles is becoming more and more important. It is also the opportunity for our Council to go through the submission process for remits to the AGM. If those remits are passed and adopted by LGNZ then they have to follow up with Government. Our Council has a policy of offering all Councillors the ability to attend at least one Local Government conference within their triennium which will build on the knowledge base that you receive from such things as Zone meetings.

In recognition of the upcoming coronation of His Majesty Charles III we have indicated to Internal Affairs that we are interested in participating in a tree planting ceremony in our district. There is a fairly prescriptive runsheet for this event and I am seeking Councillor interest in leading this project. Due to timing we will unfortunately not be in a position to hold the ceremony on the weekend of 6-7 May when the actual coronation occurs but are able to do this at the earliest available opportunity.

Mayors Engagement

April 2023

3	Attended Opening of Toilet Blocks at B&C Dams Attended Te Kura o Ratana Junior Neighbourhood Awards Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Taoroa Hall
4	Attended Zoom meeting to discuss draft submission on forestry slash inquiry Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Annual Plan Community Meeting at Koitiata Hall
5	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at St Davids Church Taihape Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Mangaweka
6	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Turakina Attended Turakina Community Committee Meeting
11	Attended Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting Attending Maori Rates Remission Meeting Attended Manawatu-Whanganui Disaster Relief Fund Trust Zoom Meeting Attended Omatane Rural Water Supply Meeting Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Zoom Meeting

ITEM 9.1

12	<p>Attended monthly ELT Meeting - Governors Q&A</p> <p>Attended Zone Chairs Catchup Zoom Meeting</p> <p>Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Consultation meeting in Taihape</p> <p>Attended Taihape Community Board Meeting</p>
13	<p>Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended Minister McAnulty Zoom re Three Waters</p> <p>Attended Assets & Infrastructure Committee Meeting</p>
14	<p>Attended Zone 3 Co-Chairs Zoom meeting</p> <p>Attended Taihape Talking Table</p> <p>Attended Meeting with Taihape Netball and Tennis groups re court lighting</p>
15	Attended Memorial Service for Jack
17	Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Ratana
18	<p>Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive</p> <p>Attended meeting with HeritageNZ Chief Executive and staff</p> <p>Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor</p> <p>Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Scotts Ferry</p>
19	<p>Attended 5 Squadron Change of Command Parade at NZDF Ohakea</p> <p>Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Ohingaiti</p>
20	<p>Attended Council Workshop</p> <p>Attended Annual/Spatial Community Meeting at Otairi Hall</p>
21	Attended Lunch Meeting with Nic Peet & Pahia Turia
24	<p>Attended breakfast meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys</p> <p>Attended Marton Development Group Committee Meeting</p>
25	<p>Attended Taihape ANZAC Day Dawn Parade</p> <p>Attended dinner event with Japanese Ambassador in Wellington</p>
26	<p>Attended monthly RDC/Police Zoom meeting</p> <p>Attended Council Meeting</p> <p>Attended Zoom with New Plymouth District Council ahead of Waka Kotahi Board Meeting</p>
27	Attended Zone 3 Meeting in New Plymouth
28	<p>Attended Zone 3 Meeting in New Plymouth</p> <p>Attended meeting to discuss response to Government reforms</p>
29	Attended South Makirikiri School Jubilee Celebrations

Recommendation

That Mayor's Report to Council - April 2023 be received.

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Funding Schemes Update - April 2023

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Overview

- 1.1 Council currently administers five funding schemes for the Rangitikei District:
 - a. Community Initiatives Fund
 - b. Events Sponsorship Scheme
 - c. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund
 - d. Creative Communities Scheme
 - e. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

2. Community Initiatives Fund

- 2.1 This is a Council fund intended to support community-based projects in the Rangitikei District that develop community cohesion and community resilience.
- 2.2 Council allocates \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. The budget for 2022/23 was \$43,823.68.
- 2.3 Council approved the total spend of \$11,500 on the 29th of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the Finance and Performance meeting and \$24,205 on the 27th of April 2023 (Round 2 2022/23)

3. Events Sponsorship Scheme

- 3.1 This is a Council fund intended to support events in the district that help to develop community cohesion and reinforce economic growth.
- 3.2 Council allocates \$50,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 3.3 Council approved the total spend of \$18,222 on the 29th of September 2022 (Round 1, 2022/23) at the Finance and Performance meeting and approved \$5,200 on the 30th of March (Round 2, 2022/23)

4. Parks Upgrades Partnership Fund

- 4.1 This is a Council fund and is the only one available for capital purchases. The Council provides up to 33% in cash of the value – in cash or in kind - of the contribution from the community for small-scale, community-led, capital projects.
- 4.2 Applications may be submitted at any time and will be considered at the next available Assets/Infrastructure Committee meeting.

5. Creative Communities Scheme

- 5.1 This fund is supplied by Creative NZ and administered by Council. Applications are encouraged from community groups and individuals whose projects:
 - Demonstrate growth over time
 - Develop and support local artistic communities
 - Encourage a transfer of artistic skills

- Support diversity and inclusion
- Projects with a youth focus are also encouraged

- 5.2 Creative NZ typically allocates \$24,090 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis, and this is distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 5.3 Creative NZ committee met on the 14 November and allocated \$12,397.50 to applicants.
- 5.4 The current funding round (Round 2 2022/23) is now open for applications and closes 7 May 2023. The meeting will be held 07 June 2023.

6. Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

- 6.1 This fund is supplied by Sport NZ and administered by Council. The fund is targeted at young people aged between 5 and 19 years, and is open to rural sport club teams and rural school club teams with eligible members who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.
- 6.2 Sport NZ typically allocates \$9,500 (+ GST) to the Rangitikei District Council on an annual basis. There is one funding round per year. This year the fund increased to \$12,825.
- 6.3 The funding round opened for applications 17 May 2022 and will closed 13 April 2023.
- 6.4 The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee met to consider applications on 27 April 2023. Allocating the full total of the fund to five clubs and schools.

7. Further Information

- 7.1 More details about these funding opportunities can be found on the Council website (link below) and this is also where applications can be submitted:
<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/district/community/grants-funding>

Recommendation

That the Funding Schemes Update – May 2023 be received.

10.2 RDC Engagement and Consultations

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

1.1 Attached is the most recently updated schedule for RDC Engagement and Consultations. This schedule is updated on a monthly basis, prior to going to full Council for receipt.

2. RDC Website

2.1 Council's website lists all open and recently closed consultations (see the below weblink). This is also where individuals can make submissions.

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/consultation/current-consultations>

Attachments


1. RDC Engagement and Consultations Schedule - Updated April 2023 [↓](#)

Recommendation

That the report 'RDC Engagement and Consultations' be received.

Engagement / Consultations - 2022/23

RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOPIC	Staff (Lead)	Elected Member (Lead)	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Pae Tawhiti Rangitikei Beyond - Spatial Plan	Katrina											Public Consultation			
Future of Local Government	Peter		Stakeholder Engagement	Public Consultation											FINAL REPORT DUE
Three Waters	Arno							NEXT STEPS TO BE CONFIRMED							
RMA Reforms	Katrina								Public Consultation						
Annual Plan 2023/24	Carol												Public Consultation		
Proposed Fees & Charges 2023/24	Georgia												Public Consultation		
Rates Remission Policy Amendment	Dave												Public Consultation		
Revenue and Financing Policy Amendment	Dave												Public Consultation		
Forestry Differential	Dave							Public Consultation							
Traffic and Parking Bylaw	Georgia												Public Consultation		
Local Body Elections	Carol	N/A	Local, Regional and National Campaign												
Community Committee Nominations	Carol							Public Consultation							
Business Baseline Survey	Jo		Public Engagement												
Primary Producers' Needs Assessment	Jo			Public Engagement											
Welcoming Communities Rangitikei	Rhianna		Public Engagement				Stakeholder Engagement								

Key

- Stakeholder Engagement (by other orgs)
- Public Consultation
- Public Consultation (by Central Government)
- Stakeholder Engagement (RDC)
- Public Engagement
- Local and national campaign - Enrolments, Standing for Council, Voting



Election Day

10.3 Small Projects Fund Update - May 2023**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor****1. Allocation**

- 1.1 The 2022/23 allocation to the Committee's Small Projects Fund was \$1,301.
- 1.2 Additionally, \$1,254 was carried-forward from the 2021/22 budget.
- 1.3 Therefore, the total allocation for 2022/23 is **\$2,555**.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 Approval for Bruce Deer to get minor repairs done on the chairs around Bulls up to the amount of \$200.
- 2.2 This amount is earmarked for payment once invoice is received
- 2.3 Remaining allocation for 2022/23 is **\$2,355**

3. Previous Expenditure

- 3.1 At the previous meeting the committee requested a breakdown of previous expenditure.
- 3.2 Below is previous expenditure from the past two financial years:

2021/22	Scooter rack at Te Matapihi- \$1,344
	Hillview Woodcraft towards maintenance of bench chairs outside the old Bulls Town Hall- \$132
2022/23	Bruce Deer to complete minor repairs- up to the cost of \$200. This has not been paid.

Recommendation

That the report 'Small Projects Fund Update – May 2023' be received.

11. Meeting Closed.