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DISTRICT COUNCIL
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ORDER PAPER

MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 14 June 2023

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: 18 Humphrey Street
Marton

Chair: Ms Carolyn Bates

Membership: Ms Lyn Duncan
Mr David Christison
Mr Peter Farrell
Ms Jennifer Greener
Ms Belinda Harvey-Larsen
Ms Sally Moore
Mr John Whittaker
Cr Dave Wilson
Cr Greg Maughan
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.

Quorum

The quorum for the Marton Community Committee is 7.

Council's Standing Orders (adopted 31 October 2019) 11.2 provide: The quorum for Council committees and sub-committees is as for Council, i.e. half the number of members if the number of members (including vacancies) is even or a majority if the number of members is odd.

At least 1 Elected Member must be present at the meeting.

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¹ Appended to the Delegations Register

Notice is hereby given that a Marton Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the 18 Humphrey Street, Marton on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 at 6.00pm.

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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 **Marton Community Committee Meeting held on 12 April 2023** are attached.

Attachments

1. **Marton Community Committee Meeting - 12 April 2023**

Recommendation

That the minutes of Marton Community Committee Meeting held on 12 April 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

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ATTACHMENT 1

UNCONFIRMED: MARTON COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 12 April 2023
Time: 6.00pm
Venue: Council Chamber
Rangitikei District Council
46 High Street
Marton

Present

- Ms Carolyn Bates
- Ms Lyn Duncan
- Mr Peter Farrell
- Ms Jennifer Greener
- Ms Belinda Harvey-Larsen
- Ms Annie McDowell
- Ms Sally Moore
- Cr Dave Wilson

In attendance

- Cr Fi Dalgety
- Cr Greg Maghan
- Greg Smith, Chair Bulls Community Committee

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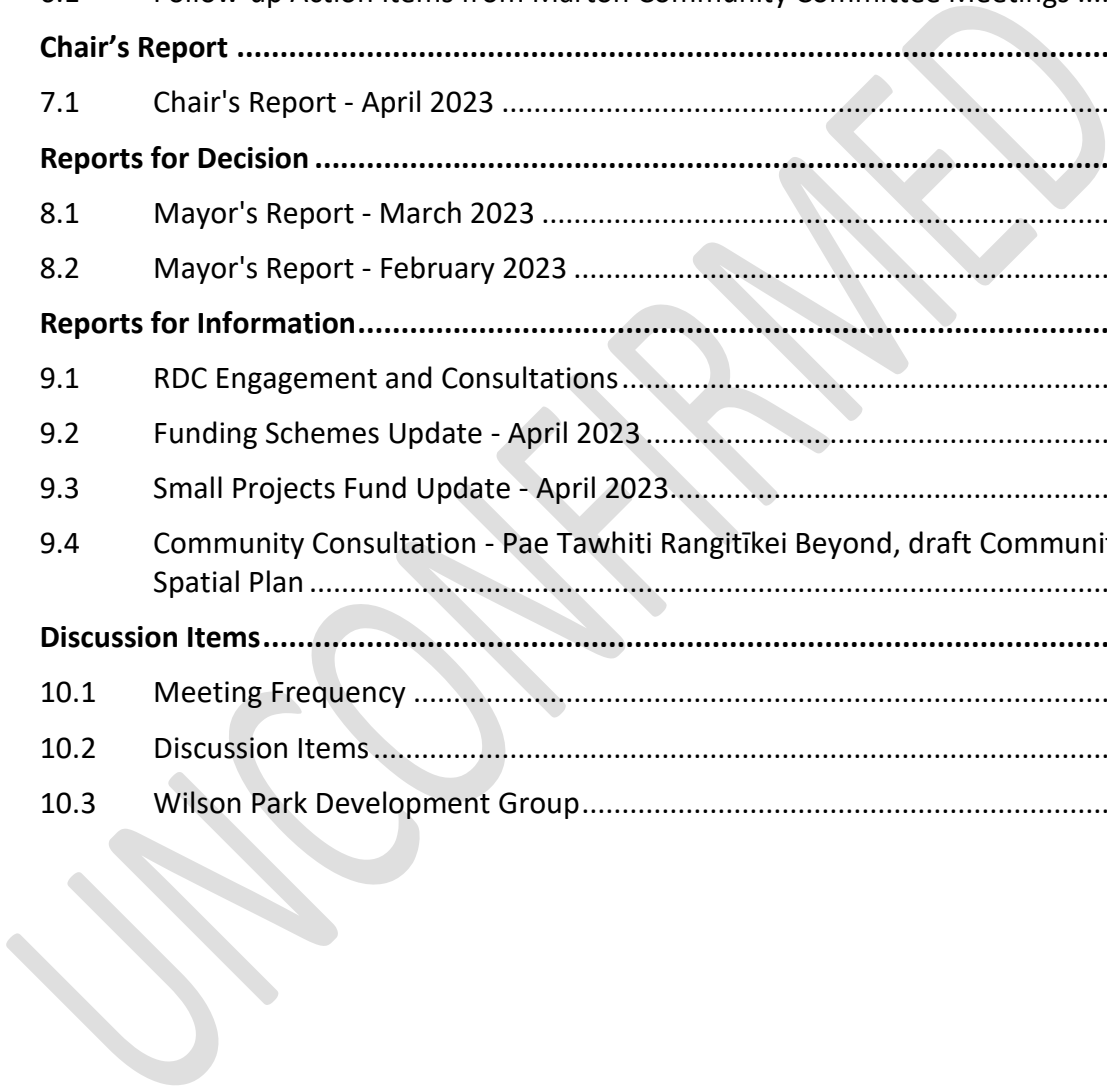
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1 Welcome / Prayer

Carolyn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

Apologies received by HWTM, Mr John Whittaker, Mr David Christison and Mr Mark Ballantyne.

3 Public Forum

Mr Nigel Belsham, on behalf of Marton Development Group (MDG), spoke about their plans to install a Christmas Tree on the Village Green.

A show of hands indicated that the majority in attendance indicated their agreement with the funding application.

A variety of other general aspects of MDGs activities were also discussed including the Velodrome and the Play Trail.

Resolved minute number

23/MCC/001

Marton Community Committee support the application from MDG for the Christmas Tree to the value of \$3,000 +GST.

Cr D Wilson/Mr P Farrell. Carried

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Everyone was reminded to declare any conflict at the time.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Order of Business was agreed to be flexible depending on discussions, but all items discussed are included here.

6 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

6.1 Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings

Murray , the Parks Manager – has indicated he is happy to come to the next meeting. Carolyn will invite him.

Resolved minute number **23/MCC/002**

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

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2023

There were no updates or questions regarding the report.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/003

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

Cr D Wilson/Ms S Moore. Carried

Recommendation

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

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/004

That Carolyn Bates be appointed Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

Ms J Greener/Ms A McDowell. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/005

That Annie McDowell be appointed Deputy Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

8 Reports for Decision

8.1 Mayor's Report - March 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/006

That the Mayor's Report – March 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

8.2 Mayor's Report - February 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/007

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

Ms S Moore/Mr P Farrell. Carried

8.3 Emergency Planning

Carolyn asked what Council's plans were to ensure the district is able to better withstand any significant weather event.

Cr Wilson advised that nationally there are reports being compiled which will benefit all councils. He spoke of Mobile Plant and equipment which is satellite linked to overcome any lack in landline based communications. He also mentioned that a number of RDC Staff went to Hawkes Bay to help them.

8.4 Civic Awards

Carolyn enquired about unsuccessful nominees, had they been made aware of their nomination plus voiced disappointment that joint recipients only received one award.

Cr Wilson confirmed anyone nominated had been written to, so they were aware they had been nominated. He also shared that on the night the joint award winners had been presented with a single award, they had since been provided with their own award, and acknowledged that this had been an oversight in the planning of the event.

9 Reports for Information

9.1 RDC Engagement and Consultations

Crs Dalgety and Wilson spoke of the current consultation process. Committee members voiced frustration that they had not been made aware / provided with more information earlier.

It was agreed that Carolyn and Annie would compile and submit any topics on behalf of the Committee as part of the 2023-24 Consultations

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/008

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

Mr P Farrell/Ms S Moore. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/009

Marton Community Committee request that any future activities which involve consultation with any communities, the respective Committees or Boards, are provided with copies of any consultation documentation.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

9.2 Funding Schemes Update - April 2023

Carolyn encouraged everyone to promote the various schemes. She also alerted that in the Annual Plan was a proposal to reduce the fund available for some purposes plus remove the Parks funding.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/010

That the Funding Schemes Update – April 2023 be received.

Ms S Moore/Ms J Greener. Carried

9.3 Small Projects Fund Update - April 2023

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/011

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

Ms L Duncan/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

Marton Development Group

The Committee agreed to provide support to Marton Development Group, in their efforts to provide a Christmas Tree up to \$3,000 plus GST (\$3,450).

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

Cr Dalgety spoke of the Spatial Plan and encouraged everyone to take part in the public session on Saturday 15 April 2023 at the Village Green from 10am until noon.

Developments in the town were discussed in connection with Hereford Heights, Harveston and Arahina. It was suggested that the developers be invited to attend the next meeting to share their plans for future development work. Carolyn to arrange.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/012

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

Ms J Greener/Ms A McDowell. Carried

10 Discussion Items

10.1 Meeting Frequency

It was agreed to continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of alternate months at 6pm, this date and time was preferred by the majority of those present.

10.2 Discussion Items

After Hours Service was discussed and the ongoing frustration that the team are not familiar with locations in the Rangitikei. RDC streets / names of towns / parks etc. No one (staff or councillors) at the meeting knew in detail what the procedures are regarding the handling of calls either routine or urgent.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/013

Marton Community Committee request details of: Where do afterhours calls go [where is the after hours call centre located]. How much does it cost. How is the service measured. What is the feedback system, if users are not happy.

Ms C Bates/Ms B Harvey-Larsen. Carried

10.3 Discussion Item – Mobile Home Waste Disposal Problems

The ongoing blockages at the Sewage Disposal point on King Street was raised, as this has been reported several times recently, but is continuing to be a problem for users. Overflowing sewage is a concern, particularly out of hours / at weekends.

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/014

Marton Community Committee request details of: Who is responsible for clearing blockages at the Sewage Point at King Street, Marton. During hours as well as out of hours. [Is it RDC Staff or a Contractor?]

Ms S Moore/Ms C Bates. Carried

Resolved minute number 23/MCC/015

The Sewage Point at King Street, Marton has no signage to alert staff of any issues, can that be rectified, to ensure 24/7 reporting is available.

Ms S Moore/Ms C Bates. Carried

10.4 Youth Awards

Carolyn encouraged everyone to nominate appropriate youths for an award.

10.5 Planning Session

It was agreed that 10 May 2023 would be a suitable date to hold a Planning Session for committee members. Carolyn will arrange a location and advise volunteer members.

10.6 Wilson Park Development Group

Sally advised that work was about to start to install the walkway into Wilson Park.

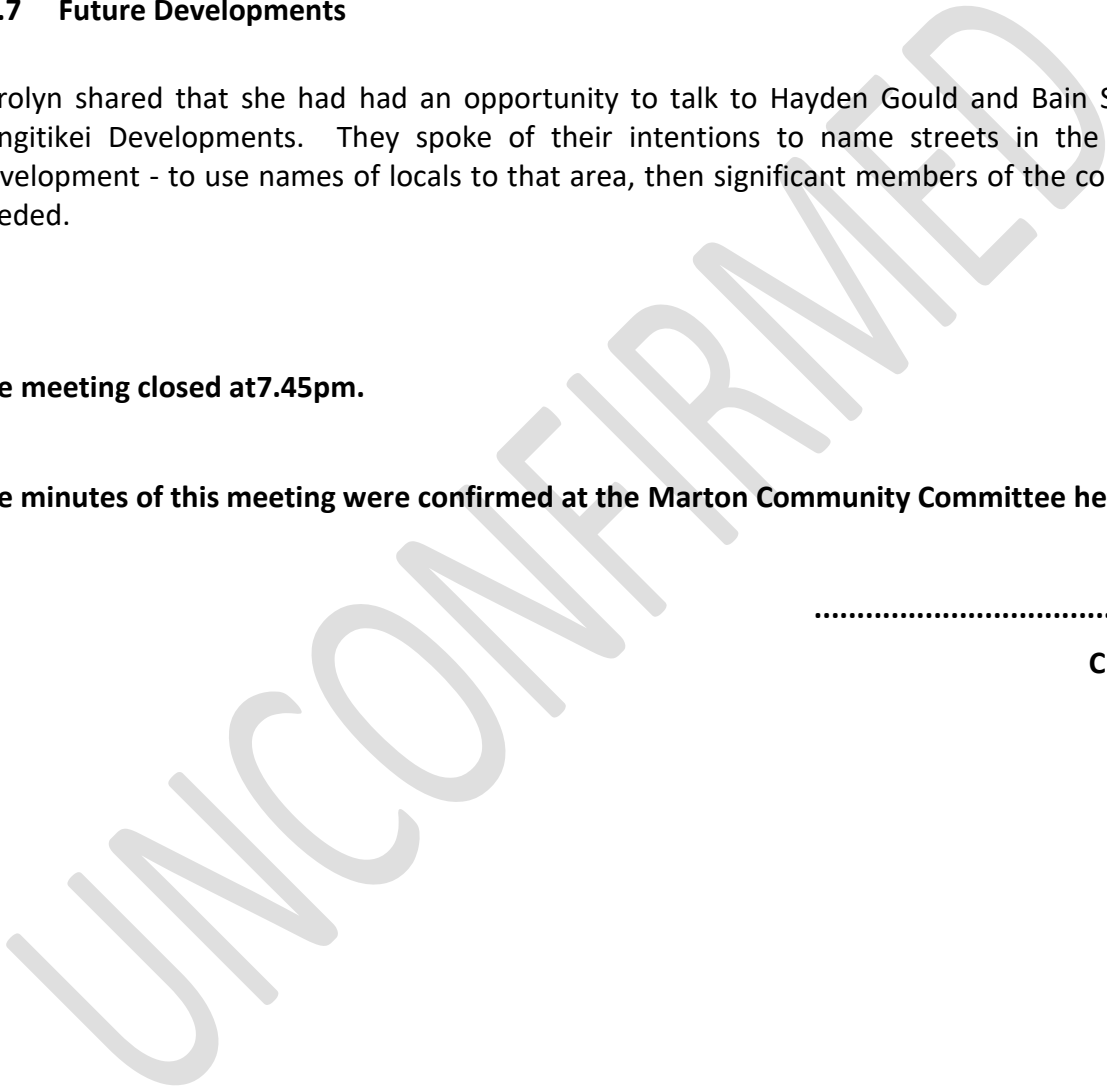
10.7 Future Developments

Carolyn shared that she had had an opportunity to talk to Hayden Gould and Bain Simpson of Rangitikei Developments. They spoke of their intentions to name streets in the Harveston Development - to use names of locals to that area, then significant members of the community if needed.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

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

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Chairperson



7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings

7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Marton Community Committee Meetings

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Marton 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 Marton Community Committee Meetings' be received.

Current Follow-up Actions

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	8-Jun-22	The Marton Community Committee would like to have input into the design of future signage in the Marton area.	Arno Benadie	To be investigated, staff will get in touch with the Committee RE this in due course.	In progress

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8 Chair's Report

8.1 Chair's Report - June 2023

Author: Carolyn Bates, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 A verbal report will be provided during the meeting.

Recommendation

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

9 Reports for Decision

9.1 Mayor's Report - May 2023

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

1. Reason for Report

With regards to the Annual Plan my thanks go to staff for the effort that has been put into the Annual Plan and Spatial Plan process, both in terms of public meetings, submissions and hearings. I understand the challenge in collating/grouping submissions to get to the deliberative or decision process of Council. Yes there are lessons to be learned for staff and governors and it is important that we take these lessons through to the Long Term Plan process. For example, the attendance at some of our community meetings was poor and I am not sure that this is anybody's fault in particular but the lesson learned here may well be that the governors as representatives of their specific wards need to take a stronger role in spreading the word within their own community networks. This is especially important as we don't have full connectivity throughout the district nor do we have a single newspaper that is delivered to everybody.

Finally we have a decision from the Environment Court on the land use change rural to industrial over the best part of two and a half years. Technically the court's decision is the appeal has been dismissed and Council has been directed to provide a clean copy of the proposed provisions within the 65ha site within 10 days. My congratulations and thanks go to the companies who have maintained their interest in our district. That interest was and is generated by our strategic location for transport logistics, rail and road and the primary resources we have in our region. The significance of this has been noted by Government and the economic development arms of Government have continued to stand by our side and support us. This opens the door for very significant investment and provides a pathway for growth and retention of our existing companies. This growth, if it had already been put in place, would in my opinion have lowered our rating position substantially, for example a \$500m capital development would have meant that we would have been no longer talking of a 9% rate increase but probably one of around 6%.

Although incredibly excited around this, the reality is you will not see development happening next week. There are significant processes still to be worked through such as potential land purchases, subdivisions, transfers and fulfilling the relationship agreements that would need to be put in place before any site works could even be considered.

Zone 3 are the group of councils from Gisborne, Wairoa, Hawkes Bay, through to Tararua and including Horowhenua, Regional Councils within our patch through to New Plymouth and we recently met at the Len Lye Centre in New Plymouth on 27/28 April. My thanks to Mayor Neil Holdom of New Plymouth for hosting the event and providing for the facilities needed. There are some standout points from me from that meeting –

1. As I've said our Zone includes a number of councils severely affected by Cyclone Gabrielle and we appreciated that many of those mayors could not be with us and the reports and images of damage and personal tragedies that they provided were incredibly sobering. It will involve decades of rebuilding and hardship. Those districts made a point of thanking all of the other councils, government and individuals who have supported them.
2. Many of the delegates had made time to attend the two days because it was promised that the Minister of Local Government Kieran McAnulty would be present and he had had undertaken to give 45 minutes to a Q&A session around Three Waters and other Local

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Government issues. Unfortunately that didn't happen as he called in sick and there was no one who was prepared to fill in for him.

I would like to thank Councillors Raukawa and Dalgety for their attendance at Zone and I know that they will be in a position to provide their own reports. Consequently, I am including in my Mayor's Report the agenda for the meeting and I welcome questions around the meeting following Councillors Raukawa and Dalgety's reports.

At Zone 3 there were a number of discussions around the state of our roading networks throughout New Zealand, both state highway networks and local council roads. There have subsequently been the remits put forward by New Plymouth which are aimed really to challenge the level of Governmental funding put into our roading networks. I was one of three mayors invited to be part of Waka Kotahi board meeting held in Wellington recently. It is fair to say that the Waka Kotahi board is also concerned around the state of maintenance throughout New Zealand and the recent damage done through cyclones. Certainly we need to work with them in terms of engaging with Government. This comes at a time when Council is going to have to do a considerable amount of work around our Roothing Procurement Strategy. We have had, and are, in the final stages of a 3x3 year contract with Higgins to provide for our roading maintenance work and emergency works. As that contract is coming to a close we will need to go out to tender for this work. This will involve a huge number of decisions by Council following Council staff presentations.

LGNZ Remits

Council has been asked to consider supporting the following remits -

1. Hamilton City Council - Virtual Quorum / Kiwisaver for Elected Members / Wellbeing
2. New Plymouth District Council – Roothing/Transport Funding
3. Timaru District Council – Exemption to Waste Levy
4. Manawatu District Council - Earthquake Prone Building Time Frames (already passed at Zone 3 Meeting 27 April – no further action required)
5. Horowhenua District Council – Rates Rebates (already passed at Zone 3 Meeting 27 April – no further action required).

Elected Member input was sought via email and the majority voted to support Remits 2 and 3.

N.B. I am prepared to second the New Plymouth District Council remit at LGNZ Conference in July if asked, to give us a speaking right.

Mayors Engagement

May 2023

1	Attended Waka Kotahi Board Meeting in Wellington
2	Attended Regional Transport Matters – Regional Chiefs fortnightly catchup Attended Manawatu-Rangitikei Federated Farmers AGM Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor

3	Attended Horizons Rangitikei River Scheme Liaison Committee Meeting
4	Attended meeting with AuditNZ re Annual Planning
5	Attended meeting at Manawatu District Council to discuss roading
9	Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended C4LD Plenary Group Zoom Meeting Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor
10	Attended monthly Q&A with Executive Leadership Team Attended meeting with REDSO & Kanoa re Marton Rail Hub Attended Taihape Community Board Workshop
11	Attended Hearings (Annual Plan Submissions) Taihape & Marton Offices Attended Continuation of Hearing Submissions
14	Attended Suzuki Extreme 4x4 Challenge in Turakina
15	Attended sod turning ceremony for commencement of works at Ohakea roundabout Attended Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub Committee Meeting Attended Youth Council Meeting
16	Attended Regional Transport Matters/Regional Chiefs RTC Workshop 2 Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended quarterly regional relationship meeting with Waka Kotahi Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor
18	Attended Council Workshop
19	Attended Manawatu Defence Hub Zoom Attended fortnightly discussion on Economic Development
22	Visited Turakina Valley road locations to view blocked culvert with CE & COO Attended Youth Awards Judging
23	Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended Citizenship Ceremony Attended zoom meeting with LGNZ to discuss MTFJ programme Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor
24	Attended Finance/Performance Meeting Attended Council Meeting
25	To attend LGNZ Combined Sector Meeting in Wellington
26	To attend LGNZ Combined Sector Meeting in Wellington To attend NZ Farm Environment Trust – National Sustainability Showcase
29	To attend Climate Action Joint Committee Workshop
30	To attend Regional Transport Matters/Regional Chiefs fortnightly zoom meeting To attend Regional Leadership Group May Hui

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31	To attend Tararua District Council Meeting to present \$20,000 funding for Cyclone Gabrielle To attend weekly catchup with Chief Executive
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Attachments:

1. **Elected Member Attendance- Oct 22- May 17** [↓](#)

Recommendation 1

That the Mayor’s Report – May 2023 be received

Elected Members

Date	Meeting	HWTM	Wilson	Calkin	Carter	Daigety	Duncan	Hiroa	Lambert	Loudon	Maughan	Raukawa	Wong	Notes
25-Oct-22	Council (Inaugural)	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
03-Nov-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
14-Nov-22	Creative NZ Committee	PR					PR							
16-Nov-22	Audit and Risk	PR	PR	AT		PR		PR		AT	AT			
21-Nov-22	HRWS	PR							PR		AT			
23-Nov-22	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP		PR	PR		PR	There was confusion re membership of the committee
23-Nov-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	HWTM was late due to Council business
29-Nov-22	ERWS	AP									PR		AT	Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
29-Nov-22	Bulls													
30-Nov-22	Santoft DMC	PR		PR	PR									
01-Dec-22	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
12-Dec-22	Hunterville CC	PR				PR			PR					
13-Dec-22	TRAK	PR					PR							
14-Dec-22	Taihape CB	PR					PR						PR	Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
14-Dec-22	Marton CC													Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
15-Dec-22	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AT			PR	PR		PR	
15-Dec-22	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
20-Dec-22	Ratana CB	PR	AT		AT									
26-Jan-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
01-Feb-23	Santoft DMC	PR		AT	PR									
08-Feb-23	Taihape CB	PR					PR	AT					PR	
08-Feb-23	Marton CC	CB	AB								AB			Apology from HWTM as he attended the Taihape CB
09-Feb-23	Workshop	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
09-Feb-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
13-Feb-23	Hunterville CC	CB				PR			PR					
14-Feb-23	Ratana CB	PR						PR						
16-Feb-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
22-Feb-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR				PR	PR		PR	
22-Feb-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
1-Mar-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
07-Mar-23	ERWS	PR									PR		PR	
09-Mar-23	A&I Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
09-Mar-23	P&P	PR	PR				PR	PR	PR		AP			
13-Mar-23	HRWS	CB				PR			PR					
14-Mar-23	BCC	PR		PR	PR									
15-Mar-23	R&A	PR	PR	AT				AP		PR				
15-Mar-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
20-Mar-23	Youth	PR					PR						PR	
30-Mar-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR				AP	PR		PR	
30-Mar-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	

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4-Apr-23	Ratana CB	CB						PR						
6-Apr-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
11-Apr-23	TRAK	PR					PR	PR						
11-Apr-23	Maori Rates Remission	PR					PR	PR						PR
11-Apr-23	Omatane RWS						PR							
12-Apr-23	Taihape CB	PR					PR							PR
12-Apr-23	Marton CC	CB	PR				AT					PR		
13-Apr-23	Assets/Infrastructure	PR	PR		PR	PR	PR		PR	PR		PR		PR
17-Apr-23	Youth						PR							PR
17-Apr-23	Hunterville CC	CB	AT				AP			PR				
20-Apr-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	AP	AP	PR
26-Apr-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP		PR	PR	PR	PR	PR
27-Apr-23	Sport NZ RTF	CB	AT	PR	AT							PR		
27-Apr-23	Finance/Performance	CB	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP				PR	PR		PR
10-May-23	Bulls CC	AP				PR								
11-May-23	Annual Plan Hearings	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR
11-May-23	Annual Plan Hearings	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR
15-May-23	HRWS	PR					PR			PR				
15-May-23	Youth	PR					PR	AP						PR
18-May-02	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	AP	PR
24-May-23	Council	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR

Present (and is a member of the committee)	PR
Apology	AP
Absent - no apology received	AB
Not a member of the committee	
Not a member of the committee (but still attended)	AT
Not present as on Council business	CB
Attended via Zoom [this indicator is no longer used]	ZM

9.2 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 McNulty 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.

ITEM 9.2

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 Tahī 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
12	Attended monthly ELT Meeting - Governors Q&A Attended Zone Chairs Catchup Zoom Meeting

	<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	<p>Attended Memorial Service for Jack</p>
17	<p>Attended Annual/Spatial Plan Community Meeting at Ratana</p>
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	<p>Attended Lunch Meeting with Nic Peet & Pahia Turia</p>
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	<p>Attended Zone 3 Meeting in New Plymouth</p>
28	<p>Attended Zone 3 Meeting in New Plymouth</p> <p>Attended meeting to discuss response to Government reforms</p>
29	<p>Attended South Makirikiri School Jubilee Celebrations</p>

Recommendation

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

9.3 Election of Deputy Chair - Marton Community Committee

Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Reason for Report

1.1 The Committee needs to elect its Deputy Chair for the Marton Community Committee for the 2022 – 25 triennium after the resignation of Annie McDowell.

2. Election of Chair

2.1 Members are asked to nominate and an elect a Deputy Chair from the current membership, using the voting system adopted as part of the previous item (Election of Chair).

Recommendation 1

That _____ be appointed Deputy Chair of the Marton Community Committee.

10 Reports for Information

10.1 Funding Schemes Update - June 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) and \$24,205 on the 27th of April 2023 (Round 2 2022/23).
- 2.4 Round one for 2023/24 opened on 28 April 2023 and will close 04 August 2023. Decisions will be made at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 28 September 2023.

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)
- 3.4 Round one for 2023/24 opened on 28 April 2023 and will close 04 August 2023. Decisions will be made at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 28 September 2023.

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 closed for applications and 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 – June 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 May 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)
- Stakeholder Engagement (RDC)
- Public Consultation
- Public Engagement
- Public Consultation (by Central Government)
- Local and national campaign - Enrolments, Standing for Council, Voting



Election Day

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

- 1.1 The yearly allocation of the 2023/24 Small Projects Fund for the Marton Community Committee is \$3550.
- 1.2 The yearly allocation aligns with the financial year, from 01 July to 30 June. In February 2016 Council resolved to allow carry-forwards from one financial year to the next, of up to 100% of the annual allocation for any Committee or Board's Small Projects Fund², with the proviso that this be a specific resolution from the Committee.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 The committee approved funding of \$3,000 plus GST (\$3,450) to support the Marton Development Group towards a Christmas Tree.

3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2022/23 financial year of **\$17.19**.

Recommendation

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

Recommendation

That the remaining balance of **\$17.19** the Marton Community Committee's Small Projects Fund for 2022/23 be carried forward to 2023/24.

² 16/FPE/010

10.4 Update on Recommendations from the Marton Community Committee**Author: Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor****Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning****1. Reason for Report**

1.1 There was a request from the previous Marton Community Committee meeting held on the 12 April 2023, which was:

1.1 *The Marton Community Committee discussed Council's afterhours service and said they did not think the team were familiar with locations in the Rangitikei, in particular RDC streets / names of towns / parks etc.*

2.1 *The Marton Community Committee discussed the ongoing blockages at the Sewage Disposal point on King Street, as this has been reported several times recently, but is continuing to be a problem for users. Overflowing sewage is a concern, particularly out of hours / at weekends.*

2. Officer Comment

2.1 The nature of the questions regarding Council's after-hours service relate to an operational function of Council but some clarity is provided below.

2.2 AlarmWatch from Whanganui are Council's after hours provider. They have provided services to Rangitikei District Council for over 10 years and also provide this service for other Councils, including Whanganui District Council. Their offices are based in Guyton Street, Whanganui. Due to commercial sensitivity the cost for AlarmWatch to provide the after hours service will not be provided. Council receives daily and weekly reports from AlarmWatch on measures such as average call handling time, percentage of missed calls and average waiting time and this is monitored by staff. If anyone is unhappy with any service of Council they are encouraged to lodge a Request for Service (RFS) or report via our complaint form [Resolution Coordinator: Rangitikei District Council](#) or email complaints@rangitikei.govt.nz.

2.3 In relation to the second recommendation, this refers to the effluent dump station at King Street, Marton. Council has a shared services contract in place for the sewage point.

Recommendation 1

That report 'Update on Recommendations from Marton Community Committee' be received.

11 Discussion Items

11.1 Discussion Items

Author: Carolyn Bates, Chair

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The Chair requested the below items be included as discussion items for the order paper.
- 1.2 *Meeting with Grant Huwyler*
 - 1.2.1 (Group CEO of Te Rūnanga o Ngā Wairiki - Ngāti Apa) - Belinda has been asked to provide a report of the meeting which took place with Grant, Belinda and Annie. So far I've received nothing
- 1.3 *Annual Plan Submissions*
 - 1.3.1 Submission response letters will be sent after the adoption of the annual plan
- 1.4 *Village Green*
 - 1.4.1 Cr Wilson to update the committee
- 1.5 *Signage for the Stage*
 - 1.5.1 Belinda Harvey-Larsen to provide suggestion for promoting Marton
- 1.6 *Logo(s)*
 - 1.6.1 For Committee's and Boards. To help promote their existence
- 1.7 *Meet the Candidates*
 - 1.7.1 Prior to the Election in October, is there any reason why MCC could not host such an event?
- 1.8 *Promotion of MCC*
 - 1.8.1 Various options to improve local awareness
- 1.9 *Promotion of Small Project Funds*
 - 1.9.1 This still does not seem to be happening

Recommendation

If needed:

12 Meeting Closed