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DISTRICT COUNCIL  
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# ORDER PAPER

## TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, 13 December 2023

**Time:** 5.30pm

**Venue:** Kokako Street Pavilion  
2 Kokako Street  
Taihape

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**Chair:** Mr Peter Kipling-Arthur

**Deputy Chair:** Ms Emma Abernethy

**Membership:** Ms Gail Larsen  
Mr Les Clarke  
Cr Gill Duncan  
Cr Jeff Wong  
HWTM Andy Watson

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**Notice is hereby given that a Taihape Community Board Meeting of the Rangitikei District Council will be held in the Kokako Street Pavilion, 2 Kokako Street, Taihape on Wednesday, 13 December 2023 at 5.30pm-7pm.**

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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 **Taihape Community Board Meeting held on 11 October 2023** are attached.

#### Attachments

1. **Taihape Community Board Meeting - 11 October 2023**

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of Taihape Community Board Meeting held on 11 October 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.

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# MINUTES



ATTACHMENT 1

## UNCONFIRMED: TAIHAPE COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday, 11 October 2023

**Time:** 5.30pm

**Venue:** Kokako Street Pavilion  
2 Kokako Street  
Taihape

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**Present** Ms Gail Larsen  
Ms Emma Abernethy  
Mr Peter Kipling-Arthur  
Mr Les Clarke  
Cr Gill Duncan

**In attendance** Mrs S Srhoj, Manager Community Property  
Ms D Hesketh, Administration

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**ITEM 6.1 ATTACHMENT 1**

Unconfirmed

## 1 Welcome / Prayer

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2 Apologies

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/054**

Apologies received from HWTM Andy Watson, Cr Piki Te Ora Hiroa and Cr Wong.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms E Abernethy. Carried

## 3 Public Forum

Mrs Jan Byford spoke to her tabled document regarding traffic issues in Taihape. Of concern was the heavy traffic use on Huia and Kokako Streets. This was expected to increase once work began on rebuilding the Taihape Area School.

Mrs Byford suggested that the phone box outside of Greenstone Insurance be removed to allow for better pedestrian visibility. Also discussed was the unsightly and dangerous southern entrance to Taihape.

The Board agreed to pass Mrs Byfords concerns onto Councils Roding Team for their consideration.

Mrs Rita Batley spoke on behalf of the Taihape Heritage Trust Sub-Committee. She was seeking the Boards support in order for Council to acknowledge this group as being a fair representative of Taihape Town hall users.

It was suggested that the Taihape Heritage Trust Sub Committee form a Taihape Town hall user group under another title and then approach Council.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There was no conflict of interest.

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

The Chair advised that he had received a late item from the Taihape Community Development Trust.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/055**

That the minutes of Taihape Community Board Meeting held on 9 August 2023 **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.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms G Larsen. Carried



## 7 Chair's Report

### 7.1 Chair's Report - October 2023

The Chair provided a brief verbal report.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/056**

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

Ms E Abernethy/Ms G Larsen. Carried

## 8 Reports for Decision

### 8.1 Mayor's Report - September 2023

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/057**

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

Ms E Abernethy/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

## 9 Reports for Information

### 9.1 Update on the 2024-2034 Long Term Plan

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/058**

That the Update on the 2024-34 Long Term Plan report be received.

Mr L Clarke/Ms G Larsen. Carried

### 9.2 Funding Schemes Update - September 2023

There was some concern about the amount of Events Sponsorship Scheme funds that had already been allocated.

Undertaking : Mrs Srhoj to seek clarification on this matter and report back to the Board.

### 9.3 RDC Engagement and Consultations

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/059**

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

Mr L Clarke/Ms G Larsen. Carried

#### 9.4 Small Projects Fund Update - October 2023

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/060**

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

Ms G Larsen/Ms E Abernethy. Carried

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/061**

The Taihape Community Board approve for Bill Nelson to repaint the Out Back Photo Board up to \$500 in materials and labour.

Ms E Abernethy/Mr L Clarke. Carried

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/062**

That Ms Larsen be appointed to follow up re concrete pad installation at dog park.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms G Larsen. Carried

#### 9.5 Update on Recommendation from the Taihape Community Board

The report was taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/063**

That report Update on Recommendation from Taihape Community Board be received, with reservations due to the lack of a time frame given by RDC to provide feedback and a response to the Taihape Community Board.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms G Larsen. Carried

#### 9.6 Taihape Community Board Responsibilities and Delegations

This matter to be discussed further at the boards next workshop.

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/064**

That the 'Taihape Community Board Responsibilities and Delegations' be received.

Mr P Kipling-Arthur/Ms G Larsen. Carried

## 10 Discussion Items

### 10.1 Discussion Item: Status of the public toilet refurbishment

Mrs Srhoj advised that contractors would be undertaking spray work for the moss and lichen removal on the Tui Street toilet roof once the weather conditions were more favourable. Further maintenance work would be undertaken once a new Maintenance Officer had been appointed.

### 10.2 Discussion Item: Slow Speed signs to be installed at Loader Drive

**Resolved minute number 23/TCB/065**

Mrs Abernethy and Mrs Srhoj to source suitable signage for installation on Loader Drive.

Ms G Larsen/Mr P Kipling-Arthur. Carried

### 10.3 Taihape Domain Master Plan

This item was for the boards information only.

## 11 Late Item

It was agreed that the Board invite a representative from the Taihape Community Development Trust to attend their next workshop in order to provide further information on the wooden Christmas Tree initiative.

**The meeting closed at 7.30pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Taihape Community Board held on 13 December 2023.**

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**Chairperson**

## **7 Follow-up Action Items from Previous Meetings**

### **7.1 Follow-up Action Items from Taihape Community Board Meetings**

**Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

#### **1. Reason for Report**

1.1 On the list attached are items raised at previous Taihape Community Board 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.

#### **Recommendation**

That the report 'Follow-up Action Items from Taihape Community Board Meetings' be received.

## Current Follow-up Actions

Item	From Meeting Date	Details	Person Assigned	Status Comments	Status
1	30-Oct-23	Allocation of Events Sponsorship Scheme	Sheryl Srohj	Update at the meeting	Closed
2	30-Oct-23	That the phonebox outside of Greenstone Insurance be removed to allow for better pedestrian visibility.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
3	12-Oct-23	That Council engage with Waka Kotahi over the Gretna corner Give Way as the give way sign has been removed and the markings are not clear and consider repainting the road markings clearly.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
4	12-Oct-23	That Council staff consult with the Taihape Community Board over the feasibility of disability parks in Taihape town and having better signage.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
5	12-Oct-23	That Council staff consult with the Taihape Community Board over the feasibility of low garden edging along the corners on Hautapu Street. There are issues with heavy rains and the bark and much flowing into gutters and drains	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
6	12-Oct-23	That Council staff consult with the Taihape Community Board over the feasibility of motorhomes to aprk on Huia, Tui and Kuku Streets. Plus, open up extra parking at the Outback by marking parking for motorhomes.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
7	12-Oct-23	That Council staff consult with the Taihape Community Board over the feasibility of the issue with overnight truck parking on Kakako street. Requesting signage directing trucks to the new area.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
8	12-Oct-23	That Council staff consult with the Taihape Community Board over the feasibility of marae signage.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
9	12-Oct-23	That Council engage with Waka Kotahi on traffic speed specifically for areas, Mataroa Rd extended to Bellis Park and the 70k from Jones Road to Bellis Park to 50km.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
10	12-Oct-23	That Council engage with Waka Kotahi about the safety concerns for pedestrian crossings on Hautapu street- such as repainting the crossings, markings before and after the lanes to provide colour blocks, and keeping the vegetation trimmed to below 1.2m. The board would like Belisha beacons to all work.	Arno Benadie	Sitting with AIN	In progress
11	9-Dec-21	HWTM requested that staff investigate what has been submitted to Waka Kotahi regarding the introduction of reduced speed limits within the district.	Arno Benadie	<b>Update 03/10:</b> Determination of speed limits are now structured in a new way to allow a more holistic view of the roading network speed management. We are currently creating the first draft of the RDC Speed Management Plan. This will be open for consultation from the end of October 2023.	In progress

## 8 Chair's Report

### 8.1 Chair's Report - December 2023

**Author:** Peter Kipling-Arthur, Chair

As we reach the end of the first year together as a community board there is time to reflect and also look forward to the next twelve months.

The first three months were heavily involved with visiting the district and covering the whole Northern Ward and listening to the needs of the smaller communities. Once the LTP and Annual Plan were out for discussion the Board was part of the strong emphasis from the community to have the Council preserve the Civic Centre in the current site of the town hall complex. The turnout of the community organisations to the RDC engagement process on the Town Hall was fantastic. While not all items on the wider wish list will be undertaken at least we know that the Town Hall/Civic Centre will be preserved and improved.

This year also saw a wider number of submissions to the Public Forum of the Community Board. It was great to again to see the smaller communities seeking support or funding from the TCB. In 2024 the Community Board will be taking its workshops and perhaps one standing meeting out to those smaller communities, to recognize that the TCB represents all the Northern Ward of the Rangitikei District Council.

In the light of this, the Board this year has reviewed the legal role it has been given under the Local Government Act 2002. The delegated responsibilities and authorities were reviewed and those that were outdated have been removed. We are considering name change at the next representational review to reflect that as a Community Board we represent communities from Ohingaiti to Moawhango, Mataroa and others.

The Board has submitted to the RDC on road safety in the region. This was well received, and we are awaiting feedback from both RDC and the government agencies as to what is feasible.

Some small projects have been completed, including the repainting of the Photo Board at the Outback. Others are awaiting completion in 2024.

The use of the Rangitikei District Council's RFS system for notification of concerns etc, is continued to be recommended as the best means of bringing peoples concerns to the attention of the RDC staff. The regular articles in TUT have also provided information on our role as a Community Board, who we are and how people can contact us with their concerns. This was aimed to encourage people within the district to approach members, to write to us and to take part in both public forums and workshops.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the board and our Northern Ward Councillors for their support and guidance this year plus work of Sheryl and Dawn from RDC.

#### **Recommendation**

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

## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 Mayor's Report - November 2023

**Author:** Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

#### CE Appointment

This will form part of a Tabled Document.

#### Zone 3

Central Hawkes Bay hosted the recent Zone 3 meeting with Mayor Alex Walker and her staff having put together a very good package to support the agenda and highlight the region's hospitality.

Many of the presentations/speakers highlighted the trauma of Cyclone Gabrielle, the destruction and the cost of the rebuild including the 50/50 split between Local Government and Central Government on house buyouts.

The standout presentations for me were –

- A. Waka Kotahi's presentation on procurement. The Chief Executive Nicole Rosie opened the presentation with an emotional and genuine grieving for the damage from Cyclone Gabrielle. Interestingly, in the presentation there were a couple of references to Tier 2 and 3 roading contractors and how we can encourage the build-up of capacity and their use. The overarching plan was that the funding model for roading is broken and Government needs to rethink how this should happen in the future - something all of the sector agreed on.
- B. The second presentation was one given by Caroline Dumas DIA (Dept of Internal Affairs). Caroline has been appointed as the DIA Liaison to Zone 3. Caroline seems to be very senior in the DIA and reports directly to the Minister (whoever that may be). This is a welcome change in stance and an opportunity that I am very keen to progress.

At the time of writing this coalition talks from Government have still not been finalised so this part of my report is a placeholder where I will be able to name who the respective ministers will be. Of high interest to us will be the Ministries of Local Government, Transport, Agriculture/Forestry, Economic Development and Health. The sharing out of portfolios to the coalition parties will be an interesting process. Who would have guessed that Winston could have risen like a phoenix from the ashes and effectively dominate the formation of a Government.

#### Local MPs

I would also like to congratulate Suze Redmayne as our new National MP. The early engagement I have had with her and her support in dealing with a very difficult local case has been brilliant. We will be well served by Suze. Equally I have reached out to Adrian Rurawhe and Debbie Ngarewa-Packer to have early talks about Ratana before the birthday celebrations in January. We effectively have four representatives working for us in Wellington with Andrew Hoggard for ACT being on the List, Debbie taking Adrian's previous role as he moved to the List for Labour and Suze Redmayne.

#### Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting with LGNZ along with the Future of Local Government 2-3 November

The Rural & Provincial sector meeting, which I will focus, on welcomed Neil Holdom as the new Provincial Representative. He will undoubtedly bring a roading focus to LGNZ - something that certainly needs to happen and will be a huge benefit to the Rangitikei. I have worked with Neil for a

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considerable amount of time on roading issues and I congratulate and welcome him on his new appointment.

The highlight to me of the sector meeting was a panel discussion comprised of Tim Hampton Treasury, Mark Maloney the Assistant Auditor General and Bruce Robertson an independent Risk & Assurance Chair. Their perspectives on the formation of Government and how Three Water reforms in particular should be handled within our Long Term Plans was fascinating. All of them said basically this will be the most challenging Long Term Plan they have ever seen with the uncertainty over Three Waters, RMA Reform, the new Government and affordability issues. Mark Maloney said that if we continue to put Three Waters into our budgets after 2025 we are breaking the law leaving us open to judicial review. Tim from Treasury said if we don't include it we could be well accused of breaking the law with regards transparency. The Local Government sector is split almost 50/50 on this issue. Our Council has made the decision to include Three Waters right through our Long Term Plan - something that I strongly support.

What the panel suggested is that there needs to be areal focus in the Consultation Document especially around risk to comply with Section 93(b) of the Local Government Act. This covers risk and affordability. Mark went on to note -

1. The need for high quality asset management plans.
2. That councils are poor at delivery with the national capex programme on average being delivered at only 80%. Our success rate falls well short of this. The risks associated with this will need to be documented.
3. That a position statement for each council is required within the Long Term Plan!!
4. Ideally within the Long Term Plan there needs to be a separate section on risks. We need to remember that this is the advice from the Auditor General's Office.

Bruce's comments were also interesting focussing on -

1. The need to develop alternative funding streams. This is of course easier said than being done. With our Council not having the benefit of funding streams associated with airports or ports and trying to develop a funding stream in terms of an industrial hub will be challenging for us.
2. Bruce said that focussing a Long Term Plan on rates affordability is not long term plan thinking! i.e. the issue here is a long term plan versus a cost of living issue.
3. This Long Term Plan must have a plan to plan for cohesiveness between governance and staff (this is something that our Interim Chief Executive Kevin has been spending quite a bit of time on).
4. Bruce's comment around annual plans being an inhibitor on long term strategies is in my opinion very very real.

The second topic that Rural & Provincial focussed on came from Ben Thomas, a specialist working on Government/Business Relationships in Wellington. He made a couple of comments that were very relevant –

1. Central Government's interaction with Local Government as a sector is by way of unfunded mandates (something that we know only too well).
2. An interesting comment – National in opposition has had a very small caucus with only a couple of people working in policy. He makes a point that it will take the Government a very long time to come up to speed. National will focus on regional deals that increase productivity, the GDP and deal with climate change.



On 13 November 13 Horizons hosted a Freshwater Reform Meeting with the community at the Rangatira Golf Course. The Government has made a series of decisions that regional councils will have to enforce. These include the need for improvements in freshwater quality and will result inevitably in reductions of our beef and dairy herds, increased forestry and the reductions in rural water usage. These changes are far reaching with little recognition of the value of work that the agricultural sector, catchment collectives and voluntary groups have made which is disappointing. People are understandably nervous, lifestyles and the financial vulnerability to agriculture are leaving New Zealand export bases under threat. All of this happening without a social or financial evaluation is damning in my opinion.

On 4 November TUIA had their final Hui in Wellington. Unfortunately Matthew Coogan one of my two TUIA could not attend having come down with Covid. Bridget Watson my other TUIA and I were asked to be one of two presentations talking about our "TUIA journey together". Bridget is a standout young Maori woman and she spoke emotively and well about her journey of discovery within TUIA and her progress towards fluency in Te Reo. This programme has benefitted me and I will look back on this as a highlight of the year and of my term in office.

The Rangitikei Business Awards were hosted recently by Marton Rotary and in particular Jasleen Saluja and Karan Singh. The awards have not been held for a considerable length of time and this has been absolutely a step in the right direction. We need to recognise not only the commercial successes but the involvement that our businesses have within our local communities and the support they provide.

The JBS Dudding Trust met recently and have given out around \$930,000 to organisations within our district. This is the highest amount that has ever been distributed by the Trust which is an outstanding result for our district. Many of our organisations would struggle without having support from the Dudding Trust as we have very few other significant funding opportunities available. I would love to be in the position at this meeting to be able to give an indication of who received what however the advice process out to the various recipients will take some time.

I have received a request from Aakiiyah Tihore (Attachment 1) seeking financial assistance for a Future Leaders Academy in Rarotonga in April 2024. Aakiiyah is a senior student at Taihape Area School and has been selected for one of only 40 spaces offered to students across New Zealand and Australia. The course fees total \$4500. Aakiiyah plans to work and fundraise to pay as much of the cost as possible but is looking for additional support from outside agencies. This is a fantastic opportunity for one of our local rangatahi who displays all the aspects of a future leader. Refer to Recommendation 2 below.

**Attachments:**

1. **Email from Aakiiyah Tihore regarding Future Leaders Rarotonga** [↓](#)
2. **Elected Member Attendance- November 23** [↓](#)
3. **Tabled document- Addition to Mayor's Report** [↓](#)
4. **Tabled document- Dudding Trust** [↓](#)

**Recommendation 1:**

That the Mayor's Report – 30 November 2023 be received.

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**Mayors Engagement**

November 2023

1	Attended monthly ELT meeting – Governors Q&A Attended Taihape Area School Scholarship Interviews Attended Rangitikei College Senior Prizegiving
2	Attended Future by Local Government 2 <sup>nd</sup> Hui in Wellington
3	Attended LGNZ Rural & Provincial Sector Meeting in Wellington
4	Attended TUIA End of Year Function Attended Rangitikei Business Awards
6	Attended Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Workshop Attended online RTC Workshop Attended online Manawatu-Whanganui Disaster Relief Fund Trust AGM Attended Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub Committee Meeting
7	Attended Zone 3 Co-Chair's online meeting with DIA Attended monthly RDC/Police catchup meeting Attended Bulls Community Van Reveal Attended GHD Melbourne Cup Function
8	Attended weekly LTP meeting with staff Attended new staff Whakatau Attended new staff Tipi Haere including Ratana 8 November celebrations Attended Taihape Community Board Workshop
9	Attended Council LTP and Assets/Infrastructure Workshop Attended Marton Civic Centre Working Group meeting
10	Attended weekly meeting with Interim Chief Executive Attended Zoom meeting with MoE/Taihape Area School Attended meeting with MP Suze Redmayne
11	Attended Bulls Rose Show Attended Marton Cenotaph for Armistice Day commemoration
12	Attended Kelvin Lehmstedt's Funeral Service
13	Attended weekly meeting with Interim Chief Executive Attended Horizons Freshwater Reforms meeting
14	Attended Regional Transport Matters   Regional Chiefs Matters Fortnightly meeting Attended SafePlus Assessment Focus Group Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
15	Attended Helen Gordon's Funeral Service

16	Attended LGNZ Zone 3 Sector Meeting
17	Attended LGNZ Zone 3 Sector Meeting Attended Christmas Tree light up
20	Attended weekly LTP meeting with staff
21	Attended weekly meeting with Interim Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
22	Attended relationship meeting with Col Trevor Walker Waiouru Military Camp Attended Waka Kotahi Quarterly Regional Relationship meeting
23	Attended Council LTP Workshop
24	Attended Accelerate25 Lead Team Meeting
25	Attended Marton Market Day
27	Attended MTFJ Core Group Strategic Workshop Follow-up online Attended weekly LTP meeting with staff
28	Attended weekly meeting with Interim Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
29	Attended 1 <sup>st</sup> (NZ) Bde Capability Display and Dinner at Linton Military Camp
30	To attend Finance/Performance Committee Meeting To attend Council meeting

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**Subject:** Future Leaders Rarotonga

58 Kaka Road  
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2 November 2023

Dear His Worship The Mayor,

Thank you for meeting with me on the 1 November 2023.

As discussed, I have been selected to travel to Rarotonga with Future Leaders Academy for seven days in April 2024. I am going to gain advanced leadership skills, planning and goal-setting skills, leading diverse groups of people, as well as experience travelling alone without my whanau. This is a fantastic opportunity that I am genuinely excited to be a part of and experience. I was honoured to be selected, as this course is open to students from all over New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific, and there are only 40 spaces available. I will be the first student from Taihape Area School to attend this course.

The course fees will cost \$4500 overall, excluding travel insurance, internal New Zealand flights, passport fees and incidentals. I plan to work and fundraise to pay for this unique experience; however, I would welcome any help from outside agencies. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

Aakiiyah Tihore  
[19013@tas.school.nz](mailto:19013@tas.school.nz)  
0204 1738 190

Elected Members

Date	Meeting	HWTM	Wilson	Calkin	Carter	Dalgety	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	
29-Nov-22	Bulls													Meeting not held due to lack of quorum
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	
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			
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		PR		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	
4-Apr-23	Ratana CB	CB						PR						
6-Apr-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR									
11-Apr-23	TRAK	PR					PR	PR						

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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	Huntermville 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	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	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR
11-May-23	Annual Plan Hearings	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	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	AP	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR
24-May-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR					PR	PR		PR
24-May-23	Council	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR
1-Jun-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	AP	PR	PR	AP	PR
6-Jun-23	ERWS	PR										PR		PR
6-Jun-23	ORWS	PR						PR						
7-Jun-23	Creative NZ Committee	CB						PR						
8-Jun-23	Turakina CC	PR				PR								
12-Jun-23	Huntermville CC	PR									PR			
13-Jun-23	Ratana CB	PR							AP					
14-Jun-23	Taihape CB	CB						PR	AT					AP
14-Jun-23	Marton CC	PR	PR									PR		
15-Jun-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AB	PR
15-Jun-23	Policy / Planning	PR	PR				AT	PR	PR	PR		PR		
19-Jun-23	Youth Council	PR						PR						PR
20-Jun-23	TRAK	PR						PR	PR					
22-Jun-23	R&A	PR	PR	AT			PR		PR		PR			
22-Jun-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR
29-Jun-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR				PR	PR		PR
29-Jun-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR
11-Jul-23	McIntyre Reserve	PR												PR
12-Jul-23	AIN Meeting	PR	PR			AP	PR	PR			PR	PR	AP	PR
12-Jul-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	AB	PR
12-Jul-23	Bulls CC	PR				PR							AT	
13-Jul-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR
17-Jul-23	HRWS	PR					PR				PR			
19-Jul-23	SDMC	PR				PR								
25-Jul-23	Council	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR
3-Aug-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AB	PR
7-Aug-23	HCC	PR					PR				PR			
8-Aug-23	TRAK	PR						PR						
8-Aug-23	Ratana CB	PR							PR					
9-Aug-23	Taihape CB	PR						PR						PR
9-Aug-23	Marton CC	CB	PR									PR		

10-Aug-23	AIN Workshop														Attendance not taken
10-Aug-23	P&P	PR	PR			AT	PR	PR	PR	AT	PR				
10-Aug-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR										
21-Aug-23	Youth Council	PR					PR							PR	
24-Aug-23	Workshop	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR(PM only)	AP	PR	
31-Aug-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR				PR	PR			PR	
31-Aug-23	Council	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
7-Sep-23	Workshop	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR-AM only	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	
13-Sep-23	Bulls CC	CB			PR										
14-Sep-23	Workshop	CB	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	
21-Sep-23	RA Meeting	PR	PR	AP		PR		AB		PR	AT				
21-Sep-23	AIN Workshop	PR	PR		PR	PR	PR		AP	PR	PR			PR	
28-Sep-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP									
28-Sep-23	Council	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
5-Oct-23	Turakina CC	PR			PR										
9-Oct-23	Huntermville CC	PR				PR			PR						
11-Oct-23	Taihape CB	CB					PR							AP	
11-Oct-23	Marion CC	CB	PR												
12-Oct-23	AIN Meeting	PR	PR		PR	AP	PR		PR	PR	PR			PR	
12-Oct-23	PPL Meeting	PR	PR				PR	PR	PR		PR			AT	
26-Oct-23	Finance/Performance	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR				PR	PR			PR	
26-Oct-23	Council Meeting	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	
30-Oct-23	Council Meeting	PR	PR	PR	AP	PR	AP	PR	PR	PR	AP	AP	AP	PR	
1-Nov-23	Creative NZ Committee	CB					PR								
6-Nov-23	TRAK Workshop	PR					PR	PR						PR	
6-Nov-23	HRWS	PR				PR			PR						
8-Nov-23	Bulls CC	CB			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

**CE Employment**

I have asked for a late item for this meeting to confirm the appointment of Kevin Ross as our Chief Executive following the appointment committee's recommendation. Kevin was employed as an Interim Chief Executive on the basis that he wasn't interested in a long term position. As the appointment process rolled on I saw the possibility of asking Kevin if he could be interested in an extension of time as a Chief Executive not as an Interim.

Kevin's appointment will be for a period up to 2 years which suits him and from our point of view gives us time to understand what the future of Local Government is in respect of things like the RMA and Three Water reforms and gives him the time and authority to make any significant changes that the organisation needs.

Kevin has brought a change to the organisation in the time he has been with us - his honesty, commitment and skill has been a revelation. I believe that relationships between staff, the community and governors have improved significantly. I know that his appointment will be received well by all. It is a pleasure to welcome him here. I know that Kevin would prefer to just quietly slip into the organisation but it is important that some time soon we welcome him more formally.

**New Government**

Finally Government has been formed and we know now at least who the respective ministers are. I list some of those that are of particular importance to us in the Rangitikei –

1. Chris Luxon – Prime Minister
2. Winston Peters - Deputy Prime Minister/Foreign Affairs
3. David Seymour - Deputy Prime Minister (in waiting)/Regulation Minister (noting the separation from Climate Change). He may well see taking the Deputy Prime Minister role in the last 18 months to be a win meaning he would be Deputy Prime Minister leading into the next election
4. Nicola Willis – Finance
5. Simeon Brown – Transport/Local Government/Energy
6. Chris Bishop – RMA Reform/Housing & Infrastructure
7. Louise Upton – Social Development
8. Mark Mitchell – Civil Defence/Police
9. Simon Watts – Climate Change (outside of cabinet)
10. Shane Jones – Regional Development
11. Judith Collins – Defence
12. Todd McLeay – Forestry/Agriculture/Trade
13. Dr Shane Reti – Health
14. Erica Stanford – Education
15. Paul Goldsmith – Treaty of Waitangi negotiations/State Owned Enterprises
16. Andrew Bayly – Small Business/Manufacturing

Some points that are notable for us –

1. Shane Jones – Regional Development  
He controls once again a fund, this time of \$1.2b and we have a number of connections and relationships with him. This is a huge plus for our industrial developments.
2. Todd McLeay – Forestry/Agriculture/Trade



Seen as a good operator. The advantage to us may well be that Andrew Hoggard, our List MP for ACT, is also his Associate Minister which may enable a Rangitikei focussed lens or at the least a portal to Todd.

3. Mark Mitchell – Civil Defence/Police  
Has spent time in our district to understand our needs and we have a relationship with him.
4. It is interesting that Simon Watts (Climate Change Minister) was the previous spokesperson on Local Government and sits outside of Cabinet. Maybe this reinforces the fact that Three Waters Reform and Climate Change is not considered to be a key Government initiative.
5. I know a number of these Ministers, however there are some that I will have to make a connection with such as Simeon Brown (Transport/Local Government/Energy). Hopefully I can use my roles within LGNZ to establish this relationship because roading is critical for us.

While we have these Ministers, it is noted that we still do not have clear direction. We need to realise that the National caucus has been light on numbers. Essentially they will have spent little time on policy work. They will need to establish their own relationships with officials in particular the DIA and MBIE, so progress in my opinion will take time. There has been a lot of work done by Local Government on the Future of Local Government saying that the funding model is broken. The solution being trumpeted is that a percentage of GST should be returned to the districts that generate it. I agree – a great direction in principle, but the reality is that for at least the next 3 years the Government purse strings can't be opened. As the cheese add says "Great things take time!!".

Mayor Andy Watson  
30 November 2023

**ADDITION TO THE MAYOR’S REPORT TO COUNCIL – 30 NOVEMBER 2023**

I have just received notification that all parties have received advice on their Dudding Trust applications so I am able to provide a snapshot of the grants allocated.

The Dudding Trust have approved a record sum of \$930,000 for our district.

As a community we are indebted to the Trust. These grants are significant for our district.

Highlights for this year include –

- |     |           |                                 |
|-----|-----------|---------------------------------|
| 1.  | \$15,000  | Huntermville Huntaway Festival  |
| 2.  | \$16,312  | Mill Street Kindergarten Marton |
| 3.  | \$20,000  | Jigsaw Family Support           |
| 4.  | \$20,000  | Marton Youth Trust              |
| 5.  | \$35,000  | Rangitikei District Libraries   |
| 6.  | \$58,433  | Marton Arts & Crafts            |
| 7.  | \$175,000 | Santoft Domain                  |
| 8.  | \$50,000  | Tutaenui Stream Restoration     |
| 9.  | \$93,810  | Taihape Musicians Club          |
| 10. | \$50,000  | St David’s Church               |
| 11. | \$90,000  | Various Rural Hall maintenance  |

## 9.2 Letter- Taihape Rotary

**Author:** Peter Kipling-Arthur, Chair

### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 Letter from Taihape Rotary regarding the toilets at t the Rustic Steak House has been sent to the Chair.

### Attachments:

1. Letter-Taihape Rotary [↓](#)

### Recommendation

That the 'Letter- Taihape Rotary' be received.

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ATTACHMENT 1



**Taihape Rotary**  
C/O 21 Jones Road, RD 5, Taihape, 4795, New Zealand

Club 18634 - District 9940 - Chartered 1945

President Theona Ormsby- Secretary Frances Hodgson - Treasurer Wayne Stokes

5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2023

The Chairperson  
Taihape Community Board  
Taihape

Attention: Mr Peter Kipling-Arthur

Dear Sir,

Re: Toilets at the Rustic Steak House

A few years back Taihape Rotary spoke at a Taihape Community Board Meeting expressing concerns about the lack of toilet facilities in Gumboot Park and Mt Stewart. The requirement was quite evident from requests from the public that took a break from driving as well as certain deposits found in the bush on Mt Stewart.

From Board members we heard that Council would consider approaching Mobile Service Station & possibly offering funding to help with this service. From what we understand this was declined by the service station.

However, we have recently been informed that the toilet building at the south end of the Rustic Steak House premise is being refurbished by Tesla. We are incredibly thankful to Tyson Burrows -owner of the Rustic Steak House Restaurant, that he is willing to offer this service not only for Tesla customers but for the public in general, adding an additional facility to Gumboot Park which already offers a bush walk, picnic tables and our iconic Gumboot attraction.

We ask that the Council consider some financial support with cleaning services & products so that a high standard will be maintained at all times in the toilets.

In turn, Taihape Rotary would consider signage to help promote this service. So, this would be a “win, win” for all parties involved.

We look forwards to hearing from the Council with a positive result to this support letter for the financial and cleaning services to the outside toilets at the Rustic Steak House Restaurant.

Yours sincerely

Frances Hodgson  
Secretary  
Taihape Rotary



## 10 Reports for Information

### 10.1 Verbal Update- Gaylene Prince

Author: **Gaylene Prince, Group Manager - Community**

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 Ms Prince will provide an update to the committee on council and requested items from the Taihape Community Board

#### 2. Discussion items requested.

- 2.1 Roothing update- from the Board's request
- 2.2 Taihape Grandstand
- 2.3 Taihape Town Hall
- 2.4 Taihape Area School
- 2.5 State of grounds by Nga Awa

#### Recommendation

That the 'Verbal Update' be received.

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

- 1.1 The allocation of the 2023/24 Small Projects Fund for the Taihape Community Board is \$13, 698.15, since the October meeting.

**2. Breakdown**

- 2.1 Payments made in the 2023/24 financial year.
  - 2.1.1 The Taihape Community Board approved for Bill Nelson to repaint the Out Back Photo Board up to \$500 in materials and labour.
  - 2.1.2 This has not been paid yet.
  - 2.1.3 The remainder of the fund allocation is \$13, 198.15.

**3. Earmarked Payments from 2021/22 yet to be paid**

- 3.1 The below payments were earmarked in 2021/22 but have not yet been paid. Payment for these will come from last year's budget and will not affect the allocation or balance for 2022/23.
- 3.2 Hobby Hutt: \$600 was allocated for six planter boxes.
- 3.3 Concretecraft: \$2,311.50 was allocated for 3x 1500x1500 cm concrete pads, plus an adjustment to cover additional concrete to increase the size of the pads as required.

**4. Small Projects Fund- Application Form**

- 4.1 The Chair requested the attachment below for discussion from the board.

**Attachments:**

1. **Application Form Taihape Community Board- Small Projects Fund** [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

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

**Application to Taihape Community Board Small Projects / Grants Fund – 2023/24**

Submissions deadlines: 28<sup>th</sup> of Jan / Mar / May / Jul / Sep / Nov for consideration at the next Meeting.

<b>Applicant</b>	
<b>Organisation</b> (if applicable)	
Contact Address	
Telephone	
Email	
<b>Amount Requested</b>	\$
<b>Project Title</b>	Brief title eg Paint road side wall of Community Hall / Promote a "Have a go day" / Set Up "...." Activity.
<b>Detail</b>	Please provide an overview / explanation of what you hope to achieve with this request.
<b>Beneficiaries</b>	Who / how many people do you anticipate could benefit from this support?
<b>Supporting Documentation</b>	Are quotes or estimates attached? If quote(s) or estimate(s) are not available or relevant, an indication of costs would be useful – eg screen shots from websites or links to them.
<b>Alternative Funding</b>	What efforts have been (or will be) made to source funding? What level of success has been achieved? If the total amount requested is not approved, how will you make up the shortfall?
<b>Bank Details</b>	Please <u>attach</u> confirmation of your bank account, eg provide a deposit slip or an screenshot / image showing your bank account name and number (no transactions need to be provided). <b>Do not enter bank details here.</b>

The purpose of the fund is to assist entities with the purchase of small items or additional services which are not included in Council’s operating budgets and which will benefit the local community. Examples would be signage, park furniture, plants, paint, a leaflet or other publication or an event, including implementing community-led initiatives.

Applications are normally expected to be for the benefit of the whole Community (not for individuals or small groups eg only club members). More than one application can be submitted in any financial year.

Applications cannot be for:

- Provision of training or conference attendance.
- Additional payment(s) for goods or services subject to a contract with Rangitikei Council.
- Amounts which exceed the Committee’s annual allocation.

If you have any queries regarding your application please contact a Taihape Community Board Member 021-342-524). Send request to: Taihape Community Board:



**10.3 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 August 2023 [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

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

# Engagement / Consultations - 2023/24

## RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOPIC	Staff (Lead)	Elected Member (Lead)	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	
Three Waters	Arno						NEXT STEPS TO BE CONFIRMED									
Speed Management Plan (Urban and Rural)	Arno					Public Consultation										
Long Term Plan	Carol											Public Consultation				
Public Places Bylaw	Katrina					Public Consultation										
Control of Advertising Bylaw	Katrina					Public Consultation										
Trading in Public Places Bylaw	Katrina					Public Consultation										
Flying Drones in Council Parks	Katrina					Public Consultation										

**Key**

- Stakeholder Engagement (by other orgs)
- Stakeholder Engagement (RDC)
- Public Consultation
- Public Engagement
- Public Consultation (by Central Government)
- Local and national campaign

## 10.4 Funding Schemes Update - December 2023

**Author:** Kezia Spence, Governance Advisor

### 1. Overview

- 1.1 Council currently administers four funding schemes for the Rangitikei District:
  - a. Community Initiatives Fund
  - b. Events Sponsorship Scheme
  - c. Creative Communities Scheme
  - d. 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 allocated \$30,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 2.3 Council allocated \$13,730 in round one at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 31 August 2023.
- 2.4 Round two for 2023/24 will open on 02 October 2023 and will close 01 March 2024.

### 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 has allocated \$25,000 to this fund annually, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds.
- 3.3 Council allocated \$18,470 in round one at the Finance and Performance meeting on the 31 August 2023.

### 4. Creative Communities Scheme

- 4.1 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
- 4.2 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. Creative Communities Scheme – CCS Festivals Fund

- 5.1 Council has received an additional \$7,861.70 to go towards established festivals, this funding round will align with round two of the 2023/24 financial year.

5.1.1 The CCS Festival Fund can *only* support **established** festivals that celebrate the life experiences, stories, cultures, and regional identities of New Zealanders.

5.1.2 Applicants must have delivered a festival at least once in the previous five years (this may include digital presentation). Applicants should include evidence of previous delivery in their application.

## 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 is open for applications 19 May 2023 and will close 04 April 2024.

## 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 – December 2023 be received.

## 11 Discussion Items

### 11.1 Maintenance on the Northern and Southern Taihape Event Notice Boards

**Author:** Peter Kipling-Arthur, Chair

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 Maintenance on the Northern and Southern Taihape Even Notice Boards.
- 1.2 This is a requested discussion item.

#### Recommendation

If needed.

**ITEM 11.2**

**11.2 Dates for the Taihape Community Board**

**Author:** Peter Kipling-Arthur, Chair

**1. Reason for Report**

1.1 This item is to discuss meeting schedule for 2024.

**Recommendation**

If needed.

**12 Meeting Closed.**