

ORDER PAPER

TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 7 April 2022
Time: 7.30 pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Chair: Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell

Deputy Chair: Mr James Bryant

Membership: Mr Duran Benton
Ms Carol Neilson
Mrs Linda O'Neill
Ms Anne Rice
Ms Tina Duxfield
Cr Brian Carter
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 Turakina Community Committee is 4.

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 Turakina Community Committee Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the The Anglican Church Hall, St George's, State Highway 3, Turakina on Thursday, 7 April 2022 at 7.30 pm.

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AGENDA

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

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

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from the Turakina Community Committee meeting held on 03 February 2022 are attached.

Attachments

1. **Turakina Community Committee Meeting - 3 February 2022**

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting minutes held on 03 February 2022, **[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



UNCONFIRMED: TURAKINA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Thursday, 3 February 2022
Time: 7.30 pm
Venue: The Anglican Church Hall, St George's
State Highway 3
Turakina

Present

- Ms Laurel Mauchline Campbell
- Mr Duran Benton
- Ms Carol Neilson
- Mrs Linda O'Neill
- Ms Anne Rice
- Ms Tina Duxfield
- Cr Brian Carter
- HWTM Andy Watson

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1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Apologies

None received.

3 Public Forum

No public forum.

4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

None declared.

5 Confirmation of Order of Business

No changes to the Order of Business.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/001

That the minutes of the Turakina Community Committee meeting minutes held on 02 December 2021, 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.

Mrs L O'Neill/Ms C Neilson. Carried

7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - February 2022

Ms Mauchline Campbell advised that the heat and drought are affecting the region. There are noticeably dry ground conditions.

There was an attempted robbery at the service station. Fast action by staff and members of the public resulted in the person being apprehended.

The public toilets are progressing slowly with some issues being raised about where they can be sited. Council staff continue to work on this.

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/002

That the verbal Chair's Report – February 2022 be received.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell/Ms T Duxfield. Carried

8 Mayoral Update

8.1 Mayoral Update - January 2022

The Mayor spoke to his report.

Omicron is going to be a challenge to the District. A very small number of staff have resigned due to being unvaccinated. The Chief Executive has plans underway on the management of Council services and facilities during the pandemic.

Central Government is sending councils a range of topics for consultation, but often they are complex and with very short timespans for reply which is putting staff under pressure.

Huge cost increases in many areas means a reassessment of some LTP spending.

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/003

That the Mayoral Update – January 2022 be received.

HWTM A Watson/Ms A Rice. Carried

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Funding Schemes Update - February 2022

Several committee members have already passed information onto community groups.

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/004

That the Funding Schemes Update – February 2022 be received.

Mr D Benton/Ms A Rice. Carried

9.2 Small Projects Fund Update - February 2022

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ATTACHMENT 1

Mrs O'Neill will speak to the Tennis Club about their project.

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/005

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – February 2022' report be received.

Ms L Mauchline Campbell/Ms C Neilson. Carried

9.3 Welcoming Communities Update for Community Committees & Boards - January 2022

The Mayor spoke to the report.

Resolved minute number 22/TCC/006

That the report 'Welcoming Communities Update for Community Committees & Boards - January 2022' be received.

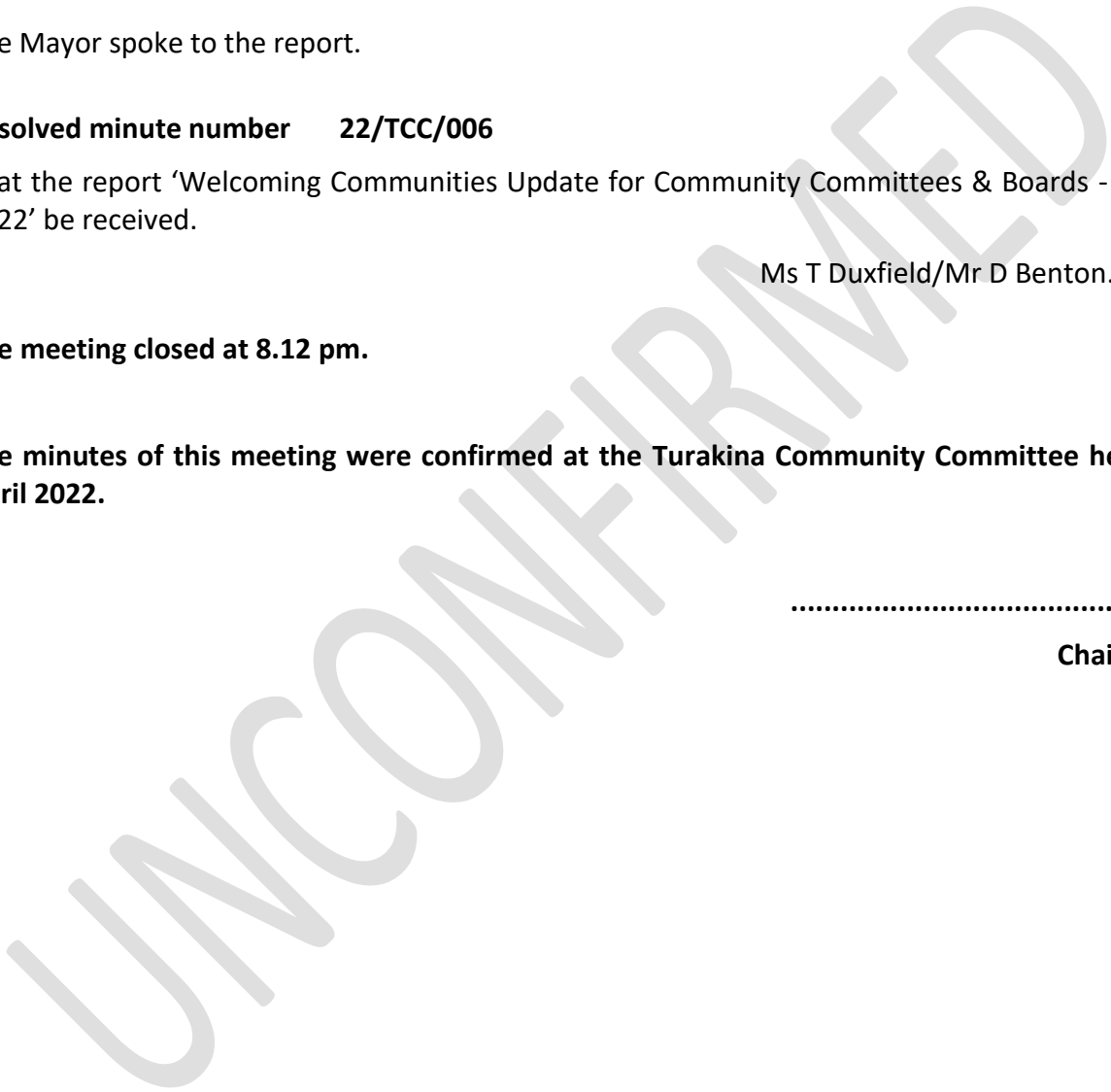
Ms T Duxfield/Mr D Benton. Carried

The meeting closed at 8.12 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Turakina Community Committee held on 7 April 2022.

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Chairperson



7 Chair's Report

7.1 Chair's Report - April 2022

Author: Laurel Mauchline Campbell, Chair

1. Reason for Report

1.1 The Chair will provide a verbal report.

Recommendation

That the verbal Chair's Report – April 2022 be received.

8 Mayoral Update

8.1 Mayoral Update - March 2022

Author: Andy Watson, His Worship the Mayor

As I've said many times Council has been bombarded with legislative changes coming out of Central Government. The Three Waters, District Plan Reforms, Future for Local Government Review and a number of other reforms mean that Council staff and Councillors have been incredibly busy working around the impact these will have for Council.

Our immediate focus will always need to be the Annual Plan, which is Year 2 of the Long Term Plan. I appreciate the pressure that Councillors and staff are under to prepare these documents. It is pleasing to see that in spite of covid we are on target to achieve a rate increase similar to what has been signified in the Long Term Plan. Certainly our capex programme (capital bill) which is substantial, has been difficult to achieve. We are currently moving as fast as we can on the Marton Water Strategy, the Bulls Marton waste-water projects and the business cases around the replacement or strengthening of the Taihape and Marton Civic Centres. I understand the frustration for people, especially in Marton, over the water quality issues we have been experiencing over the last month or so. We have a water strategy that we have put in place within the Long Term Plan which sees the expenditure of around \$11m that includes, over time, the replacement of the B and C Dams as the prime water source with bore water. These are not new initiatives. There has been an ongoing program for several years of upgrades to the current treatment plant and reticulation and storage systems. This is not wasted money. The package will build on the work that has already been done.

New Zealand and our district has, for some time, been under pressure with regards to covid and there have been many individual positions around vaccination status and mandates, scanning and how we fight a pandemic. As part of that strategy Council has followed Government guidelines around entry to public facilities and public gatherings. At the time of writing we are still waiting on the Government's response due on Wednesday 24 February. My expectation would be that we follow the Government guidelines; my hope is that we are able to relax the rules around entries to libraries and public buildings. This is not a governance decision. These decisions rest quite rightly with the operational team headed by our Chief Executive. The team has a legal responsibility for public health, safety and protection of our people and I endorse the actions they have already taken.

All Councils are members of Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ). This is a body that represents our sector to the Government. This year the annual LGNZ Conference will be held in Palmerston North in July and I would encourage any Councillor to attend as the costs to our Council will be affordable. Conference is a forum where Local Government members or Councillors can listen to addresses by the Prime Minister, the Minister of the Opposition and a number of key speakers around things such as Three Waters. There is also an open door for questioning. As part of that process LGNZ invites Councils to put forward remits. These are items where we seek agreement of all of Local Government by way of vote to put positions to the Government. I suspect this year there will be a number of remits calling on Government to either change or remove the Three Waters legislation and seek changes for the reforms of the RMA.

Our Council has advocated for change within the Three Waters programme. As a Mayor I have questioned the lack of policy and process around the changes that are being put in place with the water entities. Perhaps as a consequence to my questioning I have been invited by DIA (Department of Internal Affairs) to co-chair a Working Group around what policies would be needed between the establishment of these entities and the reform of the RMA. I have always thought that the devil will be in the detail with regard to these processes. Policy is essentially detail and it gives us an opportunity to question the programme.

As of the time of writing this I have just finished a Zoom with Minister Kiri Allan, Minister of Civil Defence. Civil Defence is another one of the reforms that is playing out with the Government. What has been proposed is again is a move to a regional model. I applaud the Minister because on Zoom she has said that our territory already has a very strong regional presence, with all of the Mayors and Horizons' working regularly together and meeting every month or so. We have also pointed out that a local voice is incredibly important. We know our districts best, we know the resources we have at hand and what the immediate responses should be. Minister Allan has accepted that and says in our region's case there will probably be very little change. I also applaud the Minister for asking Government officials to delay any changes in the Civil Defence area. She has realized, as a Minister, that Councils are under the pump with all sorts of other changes, annual plans and an election that will be held in October so she has said let's delay some of this work until after the election. My thanks to a Minister who is prepared to listen to the pressures we are currently under.

Mayor Andy Watson

Mayors Engagement

March 2022

1	Attended Emergency Management Joint Standing Committee Zoom Meeting Attended Regional Transport Committee Zoom Meeting Weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
2	Attended Forestry Land Use Zoom Meeting Attended LGNZ Supporting Communities and Leaders Under Pressure Zoom Meeting
3	Attended Rural & Provincial Sector Future for Local Government Zoom Workshop Visited South Makirikiri School to talk to Year 7 & 8 Students Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended Reforms Update Zoom Meeting
4	Attended Rural & Provincial Sector Zoom Meeting Attended Future for Local Government Zoom Workshop
8	Attended Spatial Plan information session Attended Erehon Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor

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9	Attended LGNZ Special Sector Zoom on Three Waters Attended Three Waters Planning Technical Working Group Zoom meeting Attended annual catchup Zoom meeting with AuditNZ
10	Attended Audit & Risk Meeting Attended Council Annual Plan Workshop
11	Attended fortnightly discussion on Economic Development Attended fortnightly discussion on Spatial Plan Attended Regional Leadership Group weekly meeting
14	Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive
15	Attended LGNZ Sector Engagement Zoom – Future of Local Government Review Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor
16	Attended Three Waters Entity B Working Group Fortnightly Zoom Attended Taihape Drop-in for Spatial Plan engagement
17	Attended Council Workshop on Annual Plan Attended Reforms Update Zoom Meeting
18	Attended Regional Leadership Group weekly Zoom meeting
19	Attended Koitiata Community Meeting – Spatial Plan Engagement
20	Attended Rangitikei Golf Club Family Day – Spatial Plan Engagement
21	Attended Upgraded Marton Service Centre pop-in
22	Attended Regional Transport Matters Regional Chiefs Zoom Meeting Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended weekly meeting with Deputy Mayor Attended Scott's Ferry community meeting – Spatial Plan Engagement
24	Attended Mayoral Taskforce for Jobs Core Group Zoom meeting
25	To attend fortnightly discussion on Economic Development To attend fortnightly discussion on Spatial Plan To attend Regional Leadership Group weekly online meeting
27	To attend Pedals for Pleasure
28	To attend monthly catchup meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys To attend Three Waters – Entity B Working Group Fortnightly Zoom meeting To attend Hunterville Rural Water Supply Sub-Committee meeting
29	To attend weekly meeting with Chief Executive To attend Bulls Community drop-in meeting – Spatial Plan Engagement To attend Bulls Community Committee Meeting
30	To attend Forestry Seminar with Lawrence Yule
31	To attend Finance/Performance Committee Meeting

	To attend Council Meeting To attend Reforms Update Zoom meeting
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Recommendation

That the Mayoral Update – March 2022 be received.

9 Reports for Information

9.1 Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action

Author: Kezia Spence, Executive Assistant- Group Managers

Authoriser: Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning

1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the committee regarding issues relating to climate change in the Rangitīkei District and prioritise the issues that impact, and are most relevant, within our local communities.
- 1.2 Consideration of local priorities is an important step towards the development of a collective response.

2. Project Overview

- 2.1 The Manawatū - Whanganui Climate Change Risk Assessment (MW CCRA) was commissioned by Horizons Regional Council and the outcome provided was an assessment of climate related risks for the region. The risk assessment did not specify what individual or collective priorities should be so we are seeking feedback from our communities on what they think these are. These priorities will differ across communities and groups, at different scales. The feedback provided from this committee will help develop a regional climate action plan for consideration by the Climate Action Joint Committee (which is made up of elected members from councils across our region).

3. Discussion Questions

- 3.1 Staff will be present to provide further information and to ask for feedback.
- 3.2 It would be useful for Committee members to think about the following questions prior to the meeting:
 - What climate issues is your community or yourself, currently facing, or what might be a significant issue in the future?
 - What impacts will climate change have on your community or yourself?

Recommendation

That the report 'Risk Prioritisation for Climate Action' be received.

9.2 Funding Schemes Update - April 2022

Author: Ash Garstang, 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. \$11,910 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$18,090 available for Round 2.
- 2.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is CLOSED for applications, and the Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications for this round on 24 April 2022. The next round of funding (Round 1, 2022/23) is due to open in early May 2022.

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 (although there will be three funding rounds for 2021/22). \$2,900 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22) and \$8,245 was distributed in Round 2, leaving \$38,855 available for Round 3.
- 3.3 The current funding round (Round 3, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 30 May 2022. The Finance/Performance Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 30 June 2022.

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 has allocated \$43,615.63 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22, to be distributed across two separate funding rounds. \$8,550 was distributed in Round 1 (2021/22), leaving \$35,065.63 available for Round 2.
- 5.3 The current funding round (Round 2, 2021/22) is OPEN for applications and closes 28 April 2022. The Creative NZ Committee will meet to consider funding applications on 02 June 2022.

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 has allocated \$9,500 to the Rangitikei District Council for 2021/22. There is one funding round per year.
- 6.3 This funding round opened for applications 16 November 2021 and closed 03 April 2022. The Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund Committee will meet to consider applications on 28 April 2022.

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 – April 2022 be received.

9.3 Small Projects Fund Update - April 2022

Author: Ash Garstang, Governance Advisor

1. Allocation

- 1.1 The yearly allocation of the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Turakina Community Committee is \$710.
- 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.
- 1.3 At its meeting on 24 June 2021, Council resolved to carry-forward the remaining funds (between \$0 and \$61) from the 2020/21 year to the 2021/22 year³. This was done on the assumption that a payment of \$1,000 - \$1,061 would be made to Weekend Craft out of the 2020/21 budget. The balance at the time of Council's decision was \$1,061.
- 1.4 The invoice from Weekend Craft was received by staff in October 2021. The invoice was for \$1,061, but the Turakina Community Committee is not obliged to pay the GST portion of this (\$138.40). As a result of this misunderstanding, staff have taken the liberty of retroactively carrying-forward the sum of \$138.40 to the 2021/22 budget.
- 1.5 The total allocation for the 2021/22 Small Projects Fund for the Turakina Community Committee is therefore **\$848.40**.

2. Breakdown

- 2.1 The below payment has been processed for the 2021/22 year:
 - \$82 for the purchase of strops to secure the Reserve seats. *Paid 03 March 2022*.

3. Remaining Budget

- 3.1 This leaves a remaining budget for the 2021/22 financial year of **\$766.40**.

Recommendation

That the 'Small Projects Fund Update – April 2022' report be received.

² 16/FPE/010

³ 21/RDC/189

10 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 02 June 2022 at 7.30 pm.

11 Meeting Closed