



**RANGITIKEI**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL  
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# ORDER PAPER

## YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

**Date:** Tuesday, 13 September 2022

**Time:** 5.30 pm

**Venue:** Taihape Area School  
26 Huia Street  
Taihape

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**Membership:** YC Lisa Cruywagen  
YC Denise Pio  
YC Leymar Sali  
YC Sofie Kendrick  
YC Paloma Janse  
YC Charlotte Tuuta-Kyle  
YC Emma Collings  
YC Fuatai-Rose Mefiposeta-Satano  
YC Isaac Grant  
Cr Gill Duncan  
HWTM Andy Watson (ex officio)

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**Notice is hereby given that a Youth Council Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Taihape Area School, 26 Huia Street, Taihape on Tuesday, 13 September 2022 at 5.30 pm.**

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## **AGENDA**

### **1 Welcome / Youth Council Prayer**

### **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 Youth Council Meeting held on 9 August 2022 are attached.

#### Attachments

1. Youth Council Meeting - 9 August 2022

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of Youth Council Meeting held on 9 August 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



**RANGITIKEI**  
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## UNCONFIRMED: YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

**Date:** Tuesday, 9 August 2022

**Time:** 5.30 pm

**Venue:** Ohakea Room  
Te Matapihi  
4 Criterion Street  
Bulls

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**Present**

- YC Lisa Cruywagen
- YC Denise Pio
- YC Leymar Saili
- YC Sofie Kendrick
- YC Waiatatia Ratana-Karehana
- YC Paloma Janse
- YC Charlotte Tuuta-Kyle
- YC Emma Collings
- YC Fuatai-Rose Mefiposeta-Satano
- YC Toby Haxell
- YC Isaac Grant
- Cr Gill Duncan
- HWTM Andy Watson

**In attendance**

- Ms Kayla Hyland – Strategic Advisor, Rangatahi
- Ms Kelly Widdowson – Strategic Advisor, Rangatahi
- Ms Jen Britton – Strategic Advisor, District Promotions
- Cr Fi Dalgety

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ATTACHMENT 1**

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## 1 Welcome / Youth Council Prayer

Ms Widdowson said a prayer, meeting was opened at 5.31 pm.

## 2 Apologies

Jareah Herewini-Dygas, Fautai-Rose Mefiposeta-Satano. His Worship the Mayor arrived late, during dinner.

**Resolved minute number** 22/RYC/036

That all apologies be received.

YC C Tuuta-Kyle/YC I Grant. Carried

## 3 Public Forum

No public forum.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

None declared.

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

Nothing new to be added.

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

**Resolved minute number** 22/RYC/037

That the minutes of Youth Council Meeting held on 12 July 2022, with 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.

With amendment – address and mayoral report.

YC S Kendrick/YC C Tuuta-Kyle. Carried

## 7 Chair's Report

### 7.1 Chair's Report - August 2022



Taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 22/RYC/038**

That the tabled Chair's Report – August 2022 be received.

YC L Cruywagen/YC C Tuuta-Kyle. Carried

## 8 Mayoral Update

### 8.1 Mayoral Update - July 2022

His Worship the Mayor took us through his report and there was a discussion had around the 3 waters and why council was against it in the form that it is in, the main reasons being there was loss of local voice, it was potentially it was going to always be a council decision, as to if you opt in or opt out. However that decision has been removed by government and now there is no choice.

A discussion was had around co-governance and what we thought about it and if we think we should have had māori seats? Charlotte said it depends with co-governance when its both sides but if there are more pakeha and hardly any pasifica or māori then it could be easier to be more bias towards one way.

**Resolved minute number 22/RYC/039**

That the Mayoral Update – July 2022 be received.

YC C Tuuta-Kyle/YC I Grant. Carried

## 9 Reports for Information

### 9.1 Youth Council Report

A discussion was had around the Youth Council mahi that is coming up and what Youth Council has completed. There was also a confirmed date for the Taihape Lobby reopening, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

**Resolved minute number 22/RYC/040**

That the tabled Youth Council Report be received.

YC C Tuuta-Kyle/YC S Kendrick. Carried

## 10 Discussion Items

### 10.1 Destination Rangitikei - Destination Management Plan

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Ms Britton asked if anyone had any questions from what they had read, YC Kendrick asked a question around what the timeframe was, there was a discussion had around the Destination Management Plan and we wanted to know more of or how they were getting the information around and how getting this out to everyone over the last year has been difficult because of COVID and the uncertainty.

ATTACHMENT 1

The meeting was adjourned at 6.25 pm for dinner and reconvened at 7.08 pm.

**The meeting closed at 7.48 pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Youth Council Meeting held on 13 September 2022.**

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**Chairperson**

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## 7 Chair's Report

### 7.1 Chair's Report - September 2022

Author: Lisa Cruywagen, Chair

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 YC Cruywagen may table a report or provide a verbal update.

#### Recommendation

That the tabled or verbal **[delete one]** Chair's Report – September 2022 be received.

## 8 Mayoral Update

### 8.1 Mayoral Update - September 2022

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

1. Thank you to those people who have put up their hand to stand for Council or Community Boards. Now that nominations have closed several positions are confirmed. I would like to congratulate Jarrod Calkin and Brian Carter as being the two Southern Ward Councillors. Tracey Piki Te Ora Hiroa and Coral Raukawa will represent Council as Tiikeitia ki Uta (Inland) and Tiikeitia ki Tai (Coastal) Maori Wards. The Ratana Community Board received four nominations, so Lequan Meihana, Charlie Mete, Jamie Nepia and Grace Taiaroa are elected and the Taihape Community Board have five nominees standing for four positions. The formation of Community Committees in Bulls and Marton will take place after the elections.
2. Late last week I called into have a look at the old Council library in Bulls, which we effectively handed over the Bulls Museum. One of the conditions of the handover was the building was to be earthquake strengthened to meet compliance. This work has been done, it looks great and was done at a relatively affordable price as I believe. Earthquake strengthening alternatives have come a long way over the last few years. As such I will be going to an earthquake strengthening presentation to be held at Te Matapihi on Friday 19 August. At a subsequent Council meeting I should be able to share comment at that event and many of the lessons learned.
3. Last weekend I had the pleasure of attending two community tree planting events - one in Taihape and one in Marton. In Taihape the community attended in force with about 80 people planting about 1400 trees in around 4 hours – a great effort! If you have not walked around the Hautapu River reserve, you should see the trees and plants which are stunning. The Marton planting was to finish off the winter planting programme around the B&C dams. This dam walk is incredibly popular and as a result several people have asked me about the earthworks at the toe of the bottom dam. This is the site of the second well being drilled to provide a stable water source for Marton’s drinking water, removing the need to use dam water. This is part of an \$11m planned upgrade improvement to Marton Water. Essentially it should address odour and taste issues.
4. I thank motorists for their patience in dealing with the SH1/SH3 roadworks. The roadworks are to put in place the new Marton to Bulls wastewater connection which will be part of the new Marton to Bulls sewerage system.
5. I am presenting to the Government’s Select Committee this week regarding Council’s response to the Water Services Entities Bill, i.e. Three Waters legislation. I understand that the Government is trying to deal with about 83,000 submissions, most of which will not be in support of the Bill. Our Council is one of those and we are arguing that the reforms are rushed, poorly consulted on and will result in taking away the public voice along with other concerns. Regardless of what people say, the Government’s reform process is and will continue at pace.
6. I have received the attached letter from the Living Hope Samoan Assembly of God Incorporated requesting a donation to the church building fund. A copy of my response is also attached in which I undertook to bring the matter before Council for consideration.

7. At the Bulls Volunteer Fire Brigade Annual Honours Night held on 30 July Rangitikei District Council was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of support for Fire and Emergency New Zealand volunteers, and our commitment to helping build a strong, safe and caring community.
8. As you are aware Rangitikei District Council is one of eight councils that the Ombudsman has identified to look at how meeting practices are carried out. In discussion with the current elected members we have suggested that, as we are so near to the end of this triennium, that a discussion will be held with the new Council to consider how the requirement for transparency can be achieved when workshops or informal meetings are held. That discussion will take place with the new elected members later this year.

#### Mayors Engagement - August 2022

1	Attended Hunterville Community Committee Meeting
2	Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor
3	Attended Executive Leadership Team Health & Safety and Governor's Q&A session
4	Attended Zoom meeting with Minister David Parker Attended Candidate Information Presentations in Taihape and Marton
5	Attended Regional Leadership Group monthly online meeting
8	Attended quarterly catchup with GPCAPT Rob Shearer at NZDF Base Ohakea
9	Attended Te Roopuu Ahi Kaa Komiti Meeting Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended Defence Hub Meeting at NZDF Base Ohakea
10	Attended Waka Kotahi regional relationship meeting Attended Marton Community Committee Meeting
11	Attended Policy/Planning Committee Meeting Attended Peacock & Sons store opening Attended MDG AGM
12	Attended fortnightly discussion on Economic Development Attended fortnightly discussion on Pae Tawhiti Spatial Plan Attended Accessing Central NZ Governance Group Zoom Meeting
13	Attended Hautapu River Parks Planting Day
15	Attended breakfast meeting with Mayor Helen Worboys Attended MRH Mediation in Palmerston North
16	Attended meeting with Minister David Parker Attended Ohakea Rural Water Scheme Opening Ceremony Attended weekly catchup with Chief Executive Attended weekly catchup with Deputy Mayor
17	Attended Three Waters Planning Technical Working Group 2 <sup>nd</sup> Hui in Wellington

## ITEM 8.1

18	Attended Council Workshop Attended Reforms Update – Mayors & CEs
19	Attended Earthquake Strengthening Event at Te Matapihi
20	Attended the Unveiling of Bulls artworks at Te Matapihi
23	Attended Regional Transport Matters fortnightly meeting Attended weekly meeting with Chief Executive Attended site visit to Ratana wastewater land in Whangaehu
25	To attend Finance/Performance Committee Meeting To attend Councillor only session To attend Council Meeting To attend Elected Member and CE Fortnightly catchup
26	To attend BA5 Marton
27	To attend Multicultural Feast & Fest at Te Matapihi
29	To attend meeting with Chief Executive re Bio Polymer seminar To attend Unpacking Resource Management Reform Zoom
30	To attend New Staff Whakatau To attend meeting with Sam Hooper, Director Wellington & Company re development To attend weekly meeting with Chief Executive To attend Rangitikei Rivers Catchment Collective meeting at Rangatira Golf Club
31	To attend 4 Weekly RDC/Police Update

**Attachments:**

1. Letter from Living Hope Samoan Assembly of God Incorporated and Letter from Mayor in response [↓](#)

**Recommendation**

That the Mayoral Update – September 2022 be received.

FROM THE  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



9 August 2022

File Ref: 3-EX

Living Hope Samoan Assembly of God Incorporated  
3 Morris Street  
MARTON

Dear Pastor Levine

Thank you for your request asking Council to consider donating funds to the Church Building Fund.

I would love to be able to say that I have a discretionary fund which I could use to help fund a church. Unfortunately I don't have any discretionary funds, nor does Peter our Chief Executive. Any application to fund would need to go to Council and what I will do is take this tabled letter and add it to a Council agenda for consideration.

Funding things like this would normally go through an Annual Plan process which is out for community consultation. So it will be a difficult ask.

I understand absolutely your desire to locate a church as a place of worship within Marton. I will support this endeavour wherever I can personally and would be happy to help advise how we could apply for funds to external agencies and perhaps assist the fundraising committee.

It is a pleasure to work with you Levine and I wish you and the parishioners all the best.

Kind regards

Andy Watson  
Mayor – Rangitikei District Council

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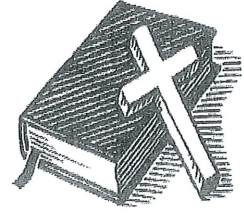
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ITEM 8.1 ATTACHMENT 1



LIVING HOPE SAMOAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD INCORPORATED

Pastor Levine Tofa
3 Morris Street
Matron 4710
Mob-021-02511683 or 021-02445282



8th August 2022,

TO: HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR ANDY WATSON
CHIEF EXEXECUTIVE PETER BEGGS

RE: REQUEST FOR DONATION TO PURCHASE A PROPERTY FOR THE LIVING HOPE SAMOAN A.O.G
CHURCH MARTON

Dear Sirs,

We are respectfully writing you to request your collaboration with a donation of funds to the LIVING HOPE SAMOAN A.O.G CHURCH BUILDING FUND. We are raising to buy a property in Marton to permanently locate our church as our membership is growing and we need a place of our own.

I understand that you have a discretionary fund that covers causes such as ours, we would be immensely grateful if you would find it in your heart to help us with this need.

Many of our members would like to buy their own home and once we acquire a property for our church, they will settle close to us in Marton.

May God bless your generosity.

[Signature of L Tofa]
Church Leader – Ps. Levine Tofa

[Signature of Mareko Leupolu]
Church Secretary – Mareko Leupolu

[Signature of Eeseese Vafusuaga]
Church Treasurer – Eeseese Vafusuaga





## 9 Reports for Decision

### 9.1 Submission Opportunity - Future of Inter-regional Passenger Rail

**Author:** Georgia Etheridge, Corporate Planning Advisor

**Authoriser:** Katrina Gray, Senior Strategic Planner

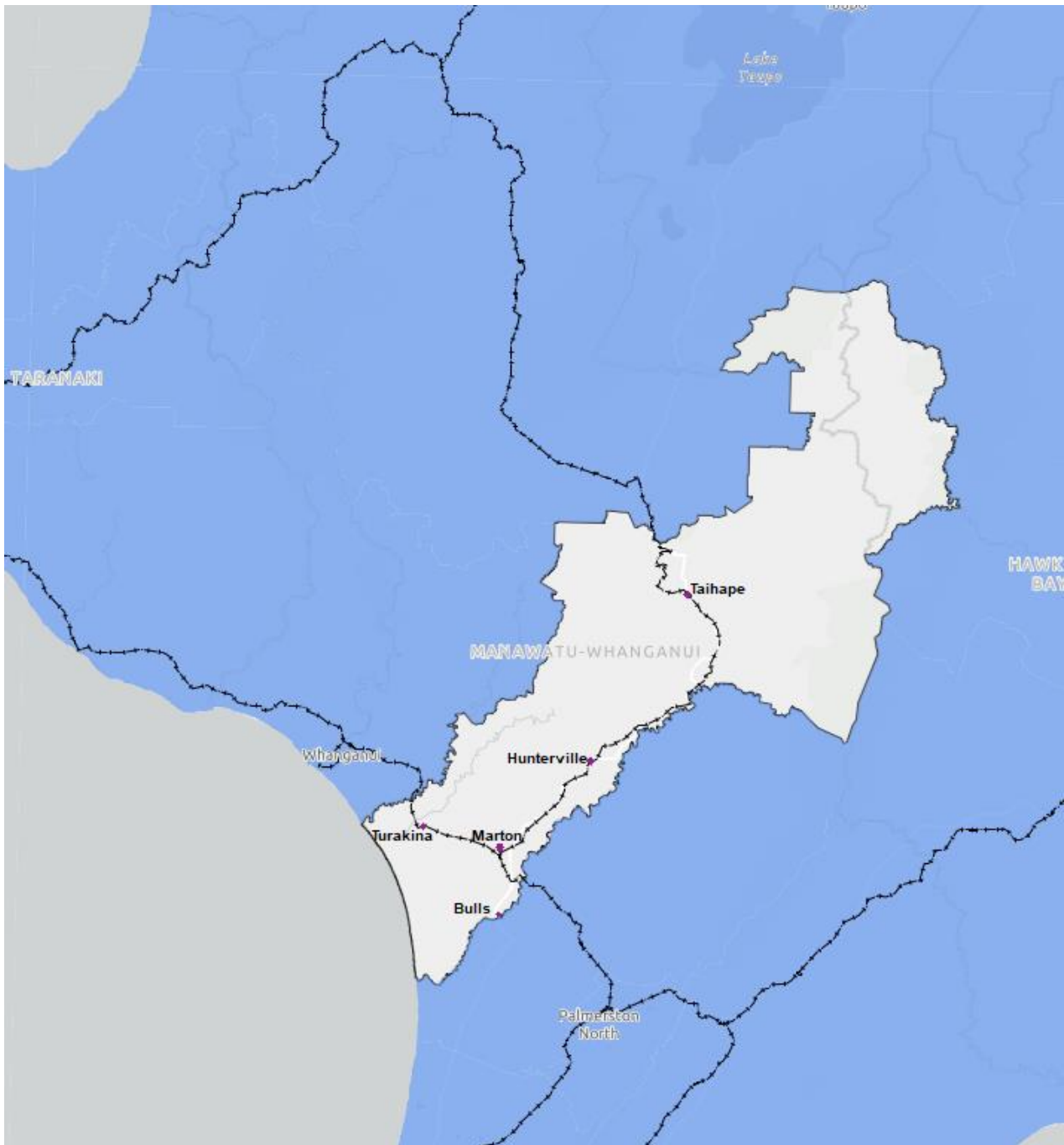
#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 On 11 August, the Transport and Infrastructure Committee opened an inquiry into the future of inter-regional passenger rail in New Zealand. Council will be submitting in support of strengthened public transport connectivity for the Rangitīkei District, highlighting some key opportunities for the District and the benefits passenger rail would bring for our District and beyond.
- 1.2 The Youth Council is invited to provide input into Council's submission.

#### 2. Context

##### Background

- 2.1 The Rangitīkei District has two rail lines running through (shown as black lines on the map below):
  - The North Island Main Trunk Line which connects Auckland with Wellington and runs through Taihape, Utiku, Ōhingaiti, Hunterville and Marton.
  - The Marton – New Plymouth Line that connects Marton with New Plymouth and runs through Marton and Turakina.



- 2.2 Previously, several locations in the District have been stops on passenger services. The last service that had regular stops in Taihape and Marton on the North Island Main Trunk (Wellington to Auckland) was in June 2012. Turakina was also a stop on the Marton-New Plymouth line which carried passengers until 1977.

**Advocacy for passenger rail**

- 2.3 From 2012, when Marton and Taihape stops were disestablished, RDC and neighbouring Councils have advocated to the Government to return and expand passenger rail services, including stops in the Rangitikei.
- 2.4 Councils along the North Island Main Trunk are also advocating for improvements to North Island Passenger Rail. Increased public transport availability within and between regions has social, economic, and environmental benefits, as people are enabled to

travel for work or recreation, while reducing emissions compared to travelling by car. The Rangitikei is well placed to tap into these opportunities, with stations on existing rail networks that could be re-opened to travel.

### **Inquiry**

- 2.5 The inquiry by the Transport and Infrastructure Committee has the *aim* “to find out what the future could hold for inter-regional passenger rail in New Zealand”. The Committee will investigate based on the terms of reference as follows:
  - 2.5.1 Investigating possibilities and viability of passenger rail in underserved communities, those with prior rail links that have been disestablished, and those currently advocating for improved rail links;
  - 2.5.2 Gaining insight into viability of passenger rail sitting alongside KiwiRail’s Freight network;
  - 2.5.3 Evaluating existing inter-regional passenger rail, such as the Capital Connection, and how these services work between local and regional councils and Central Government;
  - 2.5.4 Gaining insights into the integration of regional rail into existing local public transport networks;
  - 2.5.5 Investigating the climate and emissions reductions possibilities of passenger rail and how this links to VKT (vehicle kilometres travelled) reductions targets in the Emissions Reduction Plan, and including electrification between regions; and
  - 2.5.6 Investigating potential rail expansions and investments in specific areas, such as Tauranga (following a recent report on the re-introduction of passenger rail) and the Lower North Island (following a business case funded at Budget 2021).
- 2.6 The findings of this inquiry may guide future direction for central government research, policy or investment relating to rail transport.

### **3. Decision Making Process**

- 3.1 The Chief Executive provided information on this submission opportunity to Council at the 25 August Council meeting. Elected members requested officers include Youth Council in the drafting process for this submission.
- 3.2 Youth Council are requested to provide feedback to Georgia Etheridge, Corporate Planning Advisor by **15 September 2022**.
- 3.3 Officers will prepare a draft submission including Youth Council and Council comments. This will be included in the CE report for approval at the 29 September 2022 Council meeting.

### **Recommendation 1**

That the report ‘Submission Opportunity - Future of Inter-regional Passenger Rail’ be received.

**Recommendation 2**

That the Youth Council provide the following comments for input into Council’s submission on the future of inter-regional passenger rail:

- .....
- .....

**10 Next Meeting**

The next Youth Council meeting is taking place at 5.30 pm on Tuesday, 11 October, in the Council Chambers, Marton.

**11 Meeting Closed**