



**RANGITIKEI**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL  
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# ORDER PAPER

## YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

**Date:** Monday, 15 May 2023  
**Time:** 5.30pm  
**Venue:** Council Chamber  
Rangitikei District Council  
46 High Street  
Marton

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**Chair:** YC Paloma Janse  
**Deputy Chair:** YC Denise Pio  
**Membership:** YC Maia Cross  
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YC Kjetil Twomey  
YC Rhody James Parker  
YC Charlotte Tuuta-Kyle  
YC Emma Collings  
YC Fuatai-Rose Mefiposeta-Satano  
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YC Brylee Coley  
Cr Gill Duncan  
Cr Jeff Wong  
Cr Fi Dalgety (Alternate)  
HWTM Andy Watson

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**Notice is hereby given that a Youth Council Meeting of the Rangitīkei District Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Rangitīkei District Council, 46 High Street, Marton on Monday, 15 May 2023 at .**

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## AGENDA

### 1 Welcome / Prayer

### 2 Apologies

### 3 Public Forum

### 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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

### 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

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

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

### 6.1 Confirmation of Minutes

**Author: Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor- Youth**

#### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 The minutes from **Youth Council Meeting held on 17 April 2023** are attached.

#### Attachments

1. **Youth Council Meeting - 17 April 2023**

#### Recommendation

That the minutes of Youth Council Meeting held on 17 April 2023 [**as amended/without amendment**] be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting, and that the electronic signature of the Chair of this Committee be added to the official minutes document as a formal record.

# MINUTES



## UNCONFIRMED: YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING

**Date:** Monday, 17 April 2023  
**Time:**  
**Venue:** Taihape Area School  
 Rangitikei District Council  
 Taihape

Present

YC Paloma Janse  
 YC Maia Cross  
 YC Denise Pio  
 YC Kjetil Twomey  
 YC Rhody James Parker  
 YC Charlotte Tuuta-Kyle  
 YC Emma Collings  
 YC Fuatai-Rose Mefiposeta-Satano  
 YC Anahera Bennett  
 YC Brylee Coley  
 Cr Gill Duncan  
 Cr Jeff Wong (Alternate)  
 HWTM Andy Watson

In attendance

Strategic Advisor Rangatahi – Kayla Hyland  
 Strategic Advisor Rangatahi – Kelly Widdowson  
 Corporate Planning Advisor – Georgia Etheridge

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**ITEM 6.1 ATTACHMENT 1**

UNCONFIRMED

## 1 Welcome / Prayer

5.37pm – Delayed start due to zoom connection.

## 2 Apologies

HWTM Andy Watson, Fuatai Rose Mefiposeta-Satano.

## 3 Public Forum

There is no Public Forum.

## 4 Conflict of Interest Declarations

There is no declared conflicts of interest.

## 5 Confirmation of Order of Business

That item 9.1 Submissions to Council and to Central Government be moved to the first item as Ms Etheridge is in attendance

## 6 Confirmation of Minutes

Cr Duncan questioned the position of Cr Dalgety as alternate representation in attendance. This needs to be amended to state Cr Wong as alternate representation from Council.

### Recommendation

That the minutes of Youth Council Meeting held on 20 March 2023 **as amended** 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.

## 7 Chair's Report

### 7.1 Chair's Report - April 2023

Madam Chair commended Youth Council on its roaring start to 2023.

She spoke of how proud she is to be part of such a great team this year, encouraging Youth Council to jump in to all opportunities available throughout the year.

Together we will accomplish great things.

### Resolved minute number 23/RYC/017

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



YC B Coley/YC A Bennett. Carried

## 8 Reports for Decision

### 8.1 Mayor's Report - March 2023

The Mayor's report is taken as read.

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/018**

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

YC M Cross/YC A Bennett. Carried

### 8.2 Integrity Sport and Recreation Bill Submission Opportunity

Miss Widdowson spoke to her report explaining the bill's main points and the applicability to Youth Council of today.

Cr Wong extended Miss Widdowson's explanation and encouraged Youth Council to think further ahead to how submissions on a bill now may heavily impact how they attend, play and see sports in the future.

Youth Council discussed the topic. Youth Council decided **NOT** to make a submission on the 'Integrity Sport and Recreation' Bill.

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/019**

That the report 'Integrity Sport and Recreation Bill Submission Opportunity' is received.

YC P Janse/YC B Coley. Carried

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/020**

That the Rangitikei Youth Council discuss and if warranted, make a submission on the Integrity Sport and Recreation Bill.

YC A Bennett/YC E Collings. Carried

## 9 Reports for Information

### 9.1 Submissions to Council and to Central Government

Miss Etheridge spoke to her report.

The three main option topics Miss Etheridge highlighted for Youth Council to discuss were:

- The Taihape Townhall/Grandstand Development
- Marton Civic Centre Development
- The Pathway along Calico Line

She explained different options, and considerations Council makes when proposing options, such as cost to the ratepayer, projected time, overall functionality of the proposed option and impact to community.

Youth Council discussed all options, pro’s and cons. Youth Council voted on preferred options.

This youth voice data will be collated and submitted to Council through the Order Paper.

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/021**

That the report “Submissions to Council and to Central Government” be received.

YC E Collings/YC D Pio. Carried

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/022**

That Youth Council undertake a vote to submit opinions to Council on the three main proposed topics.

YC M Cross/YC A Bennett. Carried

**9.2 Mar-Apr 23 Contributions Report**

Miss Widdowson spoke to her report.

She commended Youth Council on the amount of quality events and activities they have been part of in their first month of being sworn in.

Youth Council have successfully partaken in seven in-person events/activities and made one recommendation to Council in the month of March, which was accepted.

Miss Widdowson looks forward to the many more community engagement and leadership growth opportunities for Youth Council members, as the year goes on.

**Resolved minute number 23/RYC/023**

That the report ‘Mar-Apr 23 Contributions Report’ be received.

YC B Coley/YC D Pio. Carried

**The meeting closed at 6.35pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Youth Council Meeting held on 15 May 2023.**

..... Chairperson

## **7 Chair's Report**

### **7.1 Chair's Report - May 2023**

**Author:** Paloma Janse, YC

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

- 1.1 The Chair may provide a verbal update.

#### **Recommendation**

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

## 8 Reports for Decision

### 8.1 Mayor's Report to Council - April 2023

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

Tena kotou katoa

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Mayors Engagement

April 2023

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

## ITEM 8.1

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

**Recommendation**

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

## 9 Reports for Information

### 9.1 Report Submission to Council on Annual Plan

**Author:** Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor - Youth

#### 1. Reason for Report

1.1 To inform Youth Council of the report submitted to Council in the 24<sup>th</sup> May Order Paper.

#### 2. Context

2.1 During the April Youth Council meeting, Corporate Planning Advisor Georgia Etheridge presented her 'Annual Plan' report. Through this presentation, she gave details of how and why it is important to submit on local plans, providing three particular topics for consideration.

#### 3. Discussion and Options Considered

3.1 Youth Council discussed all the options presented to them.

3.2 The collective vote and comments of Youth Council are collated in the attached document.

3.3 This letter has been submitted via report to Council for the 24 May 2023 meeting.

#### Attachments:

1. **Annual Plan Submission - Youth Council** [↓](#)

#### Recommendation

That the report 'Report Submission to Council on Annual Plan' is received.



8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Rangitikei Youth Council thanks the Rangitikei District Council for the opportunity to submit on the Annual Plan 2023/24.

Youth Council has discussed the key choices and would like to submit the following feedback for Council's consideration.

Taihape Town Hall	Marton Civic Centre	Pathway Along Calico Line
Youth Council vote <u>Option One</u> Strengthened Taihape Town Hall	Youth Council vote <u>Option Two</u> Refurbish Existing Buildings	Youth Council vote <u>Option Two</u> Wait and apply for funding
<p>Comments</p> <p>The Town Hall or nothing.</p> <p>There are too many memories in the grandstand to see it gone or changed to the purpose it has now.</p> <p>It's still heavily used for sports clubs which are central to our community mana. It's part of growing up in Taihape. The grandstand has more meaning to it than adults realise.</p> <p>The Town Hall is the best option of the two. To be great jazzed up and made safe, although it is a lot of money.</p>	<p>Comments</p> <p>Having these buildings refurbished would boost our morale as a little town.</p> <p>The refurbished option seems better, so it still fits with the rest of the town structure.</p> <p>Are you planning to refurbish the whole town to look like option One? – if not, it's going to look weird.</p> <p>Costs are very similar for both.</p> <p>There's also availability for carparking out the back of the proposed offices and centre.</p>	<p>Comments</p> <p>Nga Tawa is a substantially richer school with further resources available. They should be contributing to this also.</p> <p>Building a footpath is not going to increase or improve connection with community. That is done through relationship, not a footpath.</p> <p>Spend some more time researching with students that attend, and ask them what they think about Community Connection.</p> <p>Not worth getting in debt for, and charging the whole community especially for the small number of students that would actually use it.</p> <p>Rates are already significantly rising.</p> <p>Wiser to wait and apply for funding.</p> <p>Possibly include local businesses and Nga Tawa parents as optional sponsors in the production of it.</p>

Thank you again for the opportunity to submit.



## 9.2 Up and Coming Events and Meetings

**Author:** Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor - Youth

### 1. Reason for Report

- 1.1 To provide a timetable of upcoming events.
- 1.2 Summer events are not yet included.

### Attachments:

- 1. Youth Council Calendar [↓](#)

### Recommendation

That the report 'Up and Coming Events and Meetings' be received.

2023 YOUTH COUNCIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
1								
2						ZOOM Meeting 7pm		
3			ZOOM Meeting 7pm					
4					ZOOM Meeting 7pm			
5		Meeting Chambers 6pm Youth Awards						
6							NCEA EXAMS	
7								
8				Vocational Expo In Collab with Nwana & MYC				
9			Planning Meeting Summer Events 6pm					
10								
11								Meeting - Location TBC
12					Te Wiki O Te Reo Maori			
13	Collaboration with Napier 9-3pm							
14	Youth Week							
15	Meeting - Council Chambers 5.30pm							
16	Youth Week					Meeting - Taihape Area School 5.30pm		
17			Meeting - Taihape Area School 5.30pm					
18					Meeting - Council Chambers 5.30pm		Meeting - Council Chambers 5.30pm	
19		Meeting - Ohakea Rm Te Matapihi 5.30						
20	Youth Army Napier 7.30-6.30pm							
21				Meeting - Taihape Area School 5.30pm				
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29	ZOOM Meeting 7pm	Youth Awards EVENT 12pm						
30						ZOOM Meeting 7pm		
31			ZOOM Meeting 7pm					

**11. Meeting Closed.**