



Eketāhuna Community Board

Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Eketāhuna Community Board will be held in the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketāhuna on **Monday 15 February 2021** commencing at **10.00am**.

Bryan Nicholson
Chief Executive

Agenda

1. Present
2. Apologies
3. Personal Matters
4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Major items not on the agenda may be dealt with at this meeting if so resolved by the Board and the chairperson explains at the meeting at a time when it is open to the public the reason why the item was not listed on the agenda and the reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Minor matters not on the agenda relating to the general business of the Board may be discussed if the chairperson explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at that meeting, but no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

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Recommendation

That the minutes of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 14 December 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

- 6. Matters Arising from the Minutes**
- 7. Tararua District Council Report 10**
- Recommendation
- That the reports of the Tararua District Council meetings held on 9 December 2020 and 27 January 2021 (as circulated) be received.*
- 8. Reports**
- 8.1 Eketāhuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme 23**
- 9. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities**
- 10. Correspondence 27**
- Recommendation
- That the correspondence as listed be received.*
- (a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham*
- Re: Eketāhuna Camping Ground November and December Reports*
- 11. Anzac Day**
- Discuss the arrangements for the Anzac Day civic ceremony held in Eketāhuna.
- 12. New Zealand Community Boards Conference**
- The New Zealand Community Boards conference will be held in Gore from 22 to 24 April 2021 at the Heartland Hotel Croydon.
- The theme of the conference is Interconnected Communities, with a range of keynote speakers and workshops arranged. Further details are available on the website:
- <https://www.lgnz.co.nz/events/2021-community-boards-conference/>

- 13. Happenings Around Eketāhuna Over the Holiday Period**
- 14. Chairperson's Remarks**
- 15. Items Not on the Agenda**
- 16. Closure**



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1. Present

Board Members C C Death (Chairperson), S C McGhie (Deputy Chairperson), T M Carew, D F Clifton and Cr R A Treder (Council appointed Community Board member).

In Attendance

Mrs T Collis - Her Worship the Mayor
Mr B Nicholson - Chief Executive
Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

3. Personal Matters

3.1 Dennis Dougherty is standing down from the position of Eketāhuna Rugby Club President, having given 17 years of service in that role and 47 years of being involved as a player, coach and committee member. He was also instrumental in bringing Super 15 Rugby to the district.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 Nil

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 *That the minutes of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 9 November 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Carew/Clifton

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 Severe Weather Event (Item 6.1)

6.1.1 Another torrential deluge of rain occurred in Eketāhuna in late November, with the disabled parking ramp being widened so water could get through and away without building up and causing flooding in the town centre.

6.1.2 A cache of sandbags has been delivered to the back of the Chorus building for future use if required to enable short-term community led protection in such situations should they result in the potential for flooding to occur.

6.2 Town Centre CCTV Security Cameras Monitoring System (Item 6.4)

6.2.1 Eketāhuna Police Officer Jymahl Glassey is still working on possible options to be proposed for consideration to extend the scope of the existing security cameras monitoring system in Eketāhuna.

6.3 Eketāhuna Topographical Map (Item 6.5)

6.3.1 The preferred option is to consider relocating the Eketāhuna topographical map for public display in the Eketāhuna Community Centre.

6.3.2 Board Member Carew will submit a CRM requesting some minor maintenance is undertaken at the Eketāhuna Community Centre including replacement of the curtains that are very old and faded.

6.4 Armistice Day (Item 10)

6.4.1 A very successful Armistice Day service was held in Eketāhuna supported by New Zealand Army Tenth Transport Company and the Anzac Mounted Troopers.

6.4.2 The afternoon tea event held in the Nireaha Hall as part of the arrangement for Armistice Day events in the Eketāhuna community was well received, with the visit of the Anzac Mounted Troopers greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

6.4.3 A proposal is to be considered to place in the town centre some hitching posts made from railway sleepers with a commemorative plaque to honour the memory of the local men who served in the Eketāhuna Mounted Rifles.

6.5 Water Supply Levels Sign (Item 13.2)

6.5.1 Alternate day water restrictions have been applied district-wide to promote water conservation and use of this precious resource wisely and well.

6.5.2 This will assist to build resilience for the anticipated hot and dry period of summer which is predicted to occur, and help manage the status of water supply levels to lessen the impact when rivers are in low flow.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 ***That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 25 November 2020 (as circulated) be received.***

McGhie/Carew

Carried

7.2 **CRM System**

7.2.1 The CRM system to report requests for service has been reviewed on the website with regard to making it easy to contact Council through a report it graphic icon symbol provided for that purpose.

7.3 **Priority Thoroughfares for Earthquake-prone Buildings**

7.3.1 Council ratified (identified) at its December meeting the basis of the priority thoroughfares with regard to earthquake-prone buildings and associated statutory requirements in respect of that matter.

7.3.2 The area this applies to in Eketāhuna is Main Street (State Highway 2) between Church Street and Haswell Street.

7.4 **Council Debt**

7.4.1 The amount of Council debt is noted with regard to the approach being taken to manage and invest in the development of infrastructure and capacity to future-proof the district for growth.

7.5 **Pukaha Mount Bruce National Wildlife Centre**

7.5.1 Bob Francis has retired from the position of Pukaha Mount Bruce National Wildlife Centre Board Chair, and his service in this role from 2008 to 2020 is acknowledged.

7.5.2 He is replaced by two co-chairs that are highly experienced locals, being Georgina Morrison and Dr Claire Matthews of Pahiatua.

7.6 **Local Government New Zealand Zone 3 Meeting Hosted by Ruapehu District Council**

7.6.1 There was a presentation at this meeting with an emphasis on recycling and the need for New Zealand to do better than the current approach, particularly regarding the amount of food wastage that is occurring.

7.7 **Waireka Community Trust**

7.7.1 This organisation has operated for twelve years starting with funds of \$2.4million, donated \$1million to community projects in Woodville, Pahiatua and Eketāhuna, and as at 30 June 2020 held funds of \$4.8million.

7.7.2 Mayor Tracey Collis is the new Chairperson of the Waireka Community Trust, and Max Mayer is a representative from Eketāhuna.

7.8 **Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway**

7.8.1 The Chairperson and Cr R A Treder attended the Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency public information session in Pahiatua regarding an update on the Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway project.

7.8.2 On Friday of last week Transport Minister Michael Wood broke ground for the Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway project, and he was joined by Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern in Woodville to mark the occasion along with Mayor Tracey Collis, local Members of Parliament Tangi Utikere and Kieran McAnulty, iwi and community leaders.

7.9 **Introduction to New Chief Executive**

7.9.1 Council's new Chief Executive Bryan Nicholson introduced himself to board members, and spoke on his background and looking forward to working in that role to deliver long-term strategies with a community focussed direction for the district's growth.

7.10 **Thanks and Appreciation**

7.10.1 The Mayor conveyed her thanks and appreciation to board members for their work throughout the year in connecting with the community.

7.10.2 The positive momentum and welcoming environment of Eketāhuna is acknowledged, and this was reflected in such events as the civic honour presentation to Margaret Parsons, Alf Rowden Humanitarian Award presentation to Rena Tyler, and the Anzac Mounted Troopers attendance at the Armistice Day service.

8. **Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities**

8.1 **Tararua Emergency Management Committee**

8.1.1 The Chairperson reported on the Tararua Emergency Management Committee meeting held in Dannevirke on 12 November 2020, including reference to the following matters:

- New Chief Executive Bryan Nicholson (who is an experienced controller) was introduced to committee members.
- Preparations are under way for summer, with fire and water restrictions applied early and investigations being undertaken to access a water tanker for the southern part of the district.
- Being prepared to respond if a resurgence of Covid-19 occurs necessitating the need for restrictions and support for the community.
- An update was given on the generator assessment by the Manawatu/Whanganui Lifelines Advisory Group. They now have a list of generators that are available for sale or hire across the district.
- The new Senior Sergeant for the district based in Dannevirke is Dave Fraser.
- The Board's Chairperson reported on the flooding of shops in Eketāhuna, and a substation being hit by lightning leaving people without power for a short time while generators were brought in to assist.

8.2 **Tararua District Road Safety Group**

8.2.1 The Deputy Chairperson reported on the Tararua District Road Safety Group meeting held in Dannevirke on 8 December 2020, including reference to the following matters:

- Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency were requested to provide an update on the Saddle Road maintenance programme and intentions for driver education initiatives.
- Physical works to upgrade Route 52 are to commence in January 2021.
- The Regional Road Safety Coordinator has undertaken an initiative on child restraints and ensuring they are correctly installed.
- There are new regulations regarding school zones, with Tararua Alliance planning for the next three year cycle of Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency funding to update and revise speed zones around schools.

9. Correspondence

9.1 *That the correspondence as listed be received.*

(a) Loreen and Kerry Cunningham

Re: Eketāhuna Camping Ground October report

(b) Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated

Re: 8 October 2020 and 12 November 2020 committee meeting minutes and reports

Carew/Clifton

Carried

9.2 **Eketāhuna Camping Ground**

9.2.1 It is pleasing to note Eketāhuna Camping Ground has very good bookings for the Christmas/New Year period, with a lot of families coming back year after year because they like its atmosphere.

9.3 **Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated**

9.3.1 Congratulations are conveyed to the Eketāhuna Information Centre on the production of their 2021 calendars that are selling well.

9.3.2 Applications have been made to the Lotteries Commission for next year's coordinators funding, more Flag Trax and flags, two traffic management plans and the lime track fitness stands.

9.3.3 The Eketāhuna Santa Cruise Christmas parade was a fantastic community event, and Carols by Candlelight held yesterday was well attended.

9.3.4 Colin Fraser-Davies is continuing to investigate proposals to develop walking and cycling areas in the district, and is testing the content of Council's rides and walks publication and providing feedback to the Economic Development and Communications Manager.

10. 2021 Meeting Dates

10.1 The following are the dates of the Board's meetings scheduled to be held in 2021:

- 15 February (third Monday due to Waitangi Day)
- 8 March
- 12 April
- 10 May
- 14 June
- 12 July
- 9 August
- 13 September
- 11 October
- 8 November
- 13 December

11. Items Not on the Agenda

11.1 Nil

12. Chairperson's Remarks

12.1 Community Activities and Events

12.1.1 The Chairperson spoke on some of the community activities and events he is involved and attended, including reference to the following:

- St John
- Eketāhuna School
- Civil Defence
- Eketāhuna Health Centre volunteers morning tea

12.2 Season's Greetings

12.2.1 The Chairperson extended his best wishes for a happy Christmas and safe New Year, and an enjoyable time with family and friends and opportunity to rest during the holiday period.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 11.25am.

Chairperson



Minutes of a meeting of the Tararua District Council held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 9 December 2020 commencing at 1.00pm.

1. Present

Her Worship the Mayor - Mrs T H Collis (attending remotely via Teams),
Crs E L Peeti-Webber (Deputy Mayor), A K Franklin, S A Hull, C J Isaacson,
P A Johns, K A Sutherland, R A Treder and S M Wards (until item 4.2.5).

In Attendance

Mr B Nicholson	- Chief Executive
Mr R Taylor	- Governance Manager
Mr R Suppiah	- Chief Financial Officer
Mr C Chapman	- Infrastructure Strategy Manager
Mr D Watson	- Group Manager Plant and Property
Mr P Wimsett	- Manager Strategy and District Development
Mr C Lunn	- Manager Regulatory Services
Mr C McKay	- Finance Manager
Mrs S Walshe	- Senior Financial Accountant
Ms T Love	- Senior Projects Manager
Mr D Geary	- Alliance Director
Ms J McKenzie	- Projects Manager
Ms D Perera	- Audit Director Audit New Zealand (for item 10.2)

- 1.1 The Deputy Mayor welcomed Leeroy Harris (a senior student leader from Tararua College with an interest in local government), Louise Powick (Pahiatua On Track Chairperson), Vicky Tomlinson (Woodville Districts' Vision Chairperson), Margaret Kouvelis and James Stewart (New Zealand Rural Games Trust) to the meeting.

2. Council Prayer

- 2.1 The Deputy Mayor opened the meeting with the Council Prayer.

3. Apologies

- 3.1 Nil

4. Public Forum

4.1 Season's Greetings

4.1.1 Santa Claus entered the meeting to wish Council and those in attendance a merry Christmas and happy New Year.

4.2 New Zealand Rural Games

4.2.1 Margaret Kouvelis and James Stewart spoke on the arrangements for the New Zealand Rural Games held at Palmerston North from 12 to 14 March 2021 in the Square.

4.2.2 This event is a premier celebration of rural sports, and provides a great family weekend of entertainment and lots of opportunities to participate in the fun-packed festival programme.

4.2.3 The event costs nearly \$1million to arrange, with Government contributing \$200,000 from its Domestic Events Fund, support from various sponsors, and a request to local government in the region for an amount of \$140,000. The proposed funding that Tararua District Council is being asked to provide is \$5,000 towards the total sum sought from councils in the region.

4.2.4 The New Zealand Rural Games bring rural and urban communities together, and are a platform to show what is being done on the land.

4.2.5 Country Calendar will be covering the event through six episodes on national television, and it is intended to look at opportunities to acknowledge the districts of the region to celebrate the rural sector and its contribution to their communities.

4.2.6 Cr S M Wards departed from the meeting at 1.20pm.

4.3 Events in Woodville

4.3.1 Vicky Tomlinson extended an invitation to attend the Woodville Christmas parade and coast to coast motorcycle ride held in Vogel Street starting at 11.30am on 12 December 2020.

4.3.2 A community barbecue will also be held on that day at 4.00pm to thank essential workers for their efforts and commitment to supporting the community during Covid-19 and the period of lockdown.

5. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

5.1 Nil

6. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business

- 6.1 Cr E L Peeti-Webber declared a conflict of interest concerning item of business 10.3 regarding ratification (identification) of proposed priority thoroughfares for earthquake-prone buildings.

7. Personal Matters

- 7.1 The passing of Barry Gleeson (a former Dannevirke County Council staff member) is noted.

8. Confirmation of Minutes

- 8.1 *That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 November 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Crs Sutherland/Franklin

Carried

9. Any Matters Arising from the Minutes not otherwise dealt with in the Agenda

9.1 CRM System (Item 10.2.4)

- 9.1.1 The CRM system has been reviewed with regard to clarifying and making it easy to understand its purpose as a way for residents to contact Council to report requests for service requiring attention and follow up.

9.2 Road Closure Requested Under the Tenth Schedule of the Local Government Act 1974 (Item 11.4)

- 9.2.1 Clarification is sought regarding the basis of the road closures for the Pahiatua Christmas parade and market day events held on 5 December 2020.

- 9.2.2 The application approved by Council is the closure of Main Street from Wakeman and Tui Street to Dawson and Edward Street for the period of 8.30am to 2.00pm. This enabled market day to be held from 9.00am to 2.00pm with the Christmas parade at 12noon.

- 9.2.3 It is disappointing that the road closures implemented resulted in businesses losing the ability to operate most of that day, with many of them already experiencing a financial impact while the town centre upgrade work is occurring.

- 9.2.4 There was an understanding this situation would not occur in terms of the arrangements made to enable these community events to be held without significantly disadvantaging businesses.

10. Reports

10.1 Audit and Risk Committee

10.1.1 *That the report of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 17 November 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Hull/Johns

Carried

10.2 Adoption of the 2019/2020 Annual Report

10.2.1 The Audit Director Audit New Zealand advised an unmodified opinion on the audited information of Council's 2019/2020 Annual Report is issued, excluding the statement of service performance.

10.2.2 A qualified opinion is issued on the statement of service performance as a result of the limitation of scope with respect to the verification of the number of complaints for some services.

10.2.3 This relates to an interpretation on when to record CRM's as a complaint for the water and wastewater measures, being the mandatory water measures required by Department of Internal Affairs.

10.2.4 The Senior Financial Accountant acknowledged the work undertaken in completing the audit, with preparation of the summary document being progressed to make it publicly available within one month of adopting the Annual Report.

10.2.5 *That the report from the Senior Financial Accountant dated 2 December 2020 concerning adoption of the 2019/2020 Annual Report (as circulated) be received, and*

That Council adopt the 2019/2020 Annual Report in accordance with Section 98 of the Local Government Act 2002 subject to the correction of any typographical errors or changes which may be required.

Crs Johns/Hull

Carried

10.3 Ratification (Identification) of Proposed Priority Thoroughfares for Earthquake-prone Buildings

10.3.1 Cr E L Peeti-Webber previously declared a conflict of interest regarding this item of business, and abstained from discussion and voting on the motion concerning that matter.

10.3.2 *That the report from the Manager Regulatory Services dated 2 December 2020 concerning ratification (identification) of proposed priority thoroughfares for earthquake-prone buildings (as circulated) be received, and*

That Council formally ratify (identify) the proposed priority thoroughfares illustrated for Dannevirke, Woodville, Pahiatua and Eketāhuna as detailed in attachments Annex A, B, C and D of this report.

Crs Sutherland/Johns

Carried

10.3.3 Crs A K Franklin and S A Hull requested their dissenting votes be noted regarding the decision concerning this item of business.

10.4 **Climate Action Joint Committee**

10.4.1 *That the report from the Manager Strategy and District Development dated 2 December 2020 concerning the Climate Action Joint Committee (as circulated) be received, and*

That Council agree to the Joint Climate Action Committee Manawatū-Whanganui Region Agreement and Terms of Reference, and

That Council appoint a joint committee (with the Horizons Regional Council and other territorial authorities within the Manawatu - Whanganui region) to be called the Climate Action Joint Committee pursuant to clause 30(1)(b) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, and

That Council adopt the Terms of Reference for the Climate Action Joint Committee set out in the Joint Climate Action Committee Manawatū-Whanganui Region Agreement and Terms of Reference, and

That Council appoint Mayor T H Collis or a nominee to be determined at her discretion if she is not available as the representative on the Climate Action Joint Committee, and

That the above decision take effect when all other councils in the region confirm they have appointed the Climate Action Joint Committee.

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

10.5 **Staff Report**

10.5.1 **Camping Ground Statistics**

10.5.1.1 It is noted that all of Council's camping ground facilities are being well supported and showing an increase of visitors to the district.

10.5.1.2 Staff are monitoring to ensure camping grounds do not experience an impact resulting from increased use of these facilities by permanent campers.

10.5.2 **Sale of Former Infracon Depot in Woodville**

10.5.2.1 The sale and purchase agreement with Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tamaki nui-a-Rua Trust to purchase this property becomes unconditional on 16 December 2020, with settlement on 1 April 2021 subject to financing.

10.5.2.2 The Manager Strategy and District Development is to follow up this matter, and as part of the terms of agreement lawyers CR Law are preparing suspensory loan documents relating to the basis of the conditions applied by Council regarding the sale price.

10.5.3 ***That the report from the Chief Executive dated 3 December 2020 concerning an update on key projects and items of interest to the Council (as circulated) be received.***

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

11. Portfolio Reports

11.1 Nil

12. Mayoral Matters

12.1 Nil

13. Items Not on the Agenda

13.1 Nil

13.2 The meeting adjourned at 2.15pm and resumed at 2.20pm.

14. Public Excluded Item of Business

14.1 ***That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:***

Chief Executive's report

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

<i>General subject matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i>
<i>Chief Executive's report</i>	<i>To protect the privacy of natural persons</i>	<i>Section (1)(a)(i)</i>

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48 (1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Section 6 or Section 7 of that Act or Section 6 or Section 7 or Section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

s7(2)(a) The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person.

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

14.3 **That open meeting be resumed.**

Crs Hull/Isaacson

Carried

There being no further business the Deputy Mayor thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 3.28pm.

Mayor



Minutes of a meeting of the Tararua District Council held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 27 January 2021 commencing at 1.00pm.

1. Present

Her Worship the Mayor - Mrs T H Collis, Crs E L Peeti-Webber (Deputy Mayor), A K Franklin, S A Hull, C J Isaacson, P A Johns, K A Sutherland, R A Treder and S M Wards.

In Attendance

Mr B Nicholson - Chief Executive
Mr R Suppiah - Chief Financial Officer
Mr R Taylor - Governance Manager
Mr C Chapman - Infrastructure Strategy Manager
Mr C McKay - Finance Manager
Ms T Love - Senior Projects Manager
Mr D Geary - Alliance Director
Ms V Tomlinson - Woodville Districts' Vision Chairperson

2. Council Prayer

2.1 The Mayor opened the meeting with a Karakia/Council Prayer.

3. Apologies

3.1 Nil

4. Public Forum

4.1 Nil

5. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

5.1 Nil

6. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business

6.1 Nil

7. Personal Matters

7.1 Cr Franklin thanked Council for its condolences she received on the passing of her brother, and to Cr Hull for attending the funeral.

8. Confirmation of Minutes

8.1 *That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 9 December 2020 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Crs Johns/Sutherland

Carried

9. Any Matters Arising from the Minutes not otherwise dealt with in the Agenda

9.1 **New Zealand Rural Games** (Item 4.2)

9.1.1 Funding of \$5,000 is included in the economic development budget as this Council's financial contribution requested to support the New Zealand Rural Games held at Palmerston North from 12 to 14 March 2021 in the Square.

9.2 **Sale of Former Infracon Depot in Woodville** (Item 10.5.2)

9.2.1 An update is requested from the Manager Strategy and District Development regarding the sale of the former Infracon depot in Woodville to Ngāti Kahungunu ki Tamaki nui-a-Rua.

10. Community Boards and Community Committees Reports

10.1 **Dannevirke Community Board**

10.1.1 *That the report of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 7 December 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

10.2 **Eketāhuna Community Board**

10.2.1 *That the report of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 14 December 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

10.2.2 **Saddle Road**

10.2.2.1 Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency have programmed maintenance work on the Saddle Road, and this is also required on the Pahiatua Track.

10.3 **Pahiatua On Track**

10.3.1 *That the report of the Pahiatua On Track meeting held on 2 December 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

10.4 **Woodville Districts' Vision**

10.4.1 *That the report of the Woodville Districts' Vision meeting held on 1 December 2020 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

11. Reports

11.1 **Staff Report**

11.1.1 **Roading and Emergency Works**

11.1.1.1 With the fallout from Covid-19 and major capital projects cost over runs it has been signalled the National Land Transport Fund is over-subscribed, and as such there will be pressure to reduce local authorities funding.

11.1.1.2 The impacts of this are being followed up to understand what any changes might be for the Council's funding, and when known the outcome will be discussed with the Works Liaison Committee.

11.1.1.3 During December a funding application was made to Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency for the weather event that occurred during November causing about \$4.4 million worth of damage to the district's roading network.

11.1.1.4 This event highlighted the current financial pressure New Zealand Transport Agency is experiencing from a level of service point of view. As an example for a section of road that dropped away funding can only be applied for where it is a safety issue for the public, and other associated work is expected to be put on hold until it becomes worse.

11.1.1.5 In an example given regarding storm damage to a bank this does not currently create a safety related issue to the public.

11.1.1.6 While it puts the roading network at heightened risk of failure it does not breach the Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency level of service that funding can be applied for.

11.1.1.7 Instead the damage is made visible to the public with signage, cones and netting, and is closely monitored regularly for any further deterioration and other defects that may occur in similar situations.

11.1.2 **Pahiatua Town Centre Upgrade**

11.1.2.1 Great progress continues to be made on the Pahiatua town centre upgrade, but it is disappointing to note the stripping and theft of wiring that has occurred in relation to this project.

11.1.3 **Water Supplies**

11.1.3.1 Thanks are conveyed to the Group Manager Plant and Property for keeping the Mayor and Councillors updated on the status of the district's water supplies over the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

11.1.3.2 The water supplies are in a better position than at the same time last year, but this may change as the summer and hot weather continues.

11.1.4 **The Future Without Cheques**

11.1.4.1 Rural Mayors are concerned about the future without cheques, and the impact this will have on the community particularly the elderly.

11.1.4.2 It is intended they will advocate on this issue with banks and central government to request options are available to be able to deal with this situation.

11.1.4.3 The Mayor will work with Councillors in terms of discussion on this matter to determine Council's approach to pursue regarding the direction and outcome sought for this district.

11.1.5 **Sport New Zealand Tararua Rural Travel Fund**

11.1.5.1 This fund (of \$9,500) is open to rural sport clubs and schools with young people between the ages of five and nineteen who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.

11.1.5.2 The fund will be promoted in the Bush Telegraph and on social media in February 2021, being two months prior to the funds end of April closure to receive applications.

11.1.5.3 ***That the report from the Chief Executive dated 20 January 2021 concerning an update on key projects and items of interest to the Council (as circulated) be received.***

Crs Wards/Peeti-Webber

Carried

12. **2021/2031 Long Term Plan**

12.1 ***That the following timeline, key dates and meetings schedule be confirmed by Council for the purpose of undertaking and completing the 2021/2031 Long Term Plan process.***

- ***10 February at 1.00pm Council workshop***
- ***17 February at 1.00pm Council workshop***
- ***24 February at 9.00am Council workshop***
- ***30 March at 1.00pm Audit and Risk Committee meeting***
- ***7 April at 1.00pm extraordinary Council meeting to adopt draft Long Term Plan for consultation***
- ***12 April notify draft Long Term Plan and commence consultation for making submissions***

- **12 May closing date for consultation to receive submissions**
- **18 May extraordinary Council meeting to hear submissions**
- **19 May reserve day to hear submissions if required**
- **26 May at 1.00pm Council meeting to determine submissions**
- **22 June at 1.00pm Audit and Risk Committee meeting**
- **30 June at 1.00pm Council meeting to adopt Long Term Plan and set rates**

Crs Johns/Wards

Carried

13. Portfolio Reports

13.1 Harvard Park Slide

13.1.1 Cr Franklin reported a local solution has been determined by Trevor Jackson to rectify the issues with the Pahiatua Harvard Park slide.

13.2 Dannevirke Recreation and Play Committee

13.2.1 Deputy Mayor Cr Peeti-Webber reported Dannevirke Recreation and Play Committee is working in conjunction with Dannevirke Multisport Hub Committee regarding investigating the feasibility and need for the wheel park project as part of planning to develop a new recreation and play area at the Upper Domain.

13.3 Akitio Beach Community and Ratepayers Association

13.3.1 Cr Wards reported the Akitio Beach Community and Ratepayers Association Annual General Meeting was held on 2 January 2021.

13.4 Mayor and Councillors Report

13.4.1 A copy of the Mayor and Councillors December and January report is tabled, and the information set out in that document is circulated for reference as an attachment to the agenda relating to these minutes.

13.4.2 Matters included in the Mayor and Councillors report are as follows:

- Merry Christmas and festive community events held in the district
- 1st Battalion charter parade held in Dannevirke
- Ruahine Ramblerz marching team participation in Dannevirke Christmas parade
- Young elected members conference
- Te Ahu a Turanga Manawatu Tararua Highway site visit, sod turning and tree planting event
- Huarahi Tūhono Weber to Wimbledon sod turning event
- Covid-19 testing stations in the district

- Digital Hub opening
- Manukura farewell memorial at Pukaha Mount Bruce National Wildlife Centre
- Events attended by the Mayor
- Councillors portfolio reports

14. Mayoral Matters

14.1 Mayor's Comments

- 14.1.1 Mayor Collis spoke on 2020 about the lessons learnt regarding resilience and having wonderfully connected communities, and 2021 being the district's time to shine with a number of exciting developments and projects under way or planned.
- 14.1.2 This will be paramount as the towns grow, and as a strong and vibrant district it welcomes a new wave of conservation tourism, walking and cycling opportunities.
- 14.1.3 It is Council's role to maximise these opportunities for the district to fulfil the vision of vibrant, connected and flourishing communities.
- 14.1.4 The Mayor acknowledged the district is in good heart and positive, and all in this together (he waka eke noa) working towards improving our place. Thanks are conveyed for the efforts in 2020, with 2021 holding much promise for the Land of Ranges and its communities.

15. Items Not on the Agenda

- 15.1 Nil

16. Public Excluded Item of Business

- 16.1 The public excluded item of business included on the agenda is not required and accordingly is withdrawn.

There being no further business the Mayor thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 1.57pm.

Mayor

Report

Date : 2 February 2021

To : Chairperson and Board Members
Eketahuna Community Board

From : Richard Taylor
Governance Manager

Subject : **Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme**

Item No : **8.1**

1. Reason for the Report

1.1 It has been the previous practice of the Eketahuna Community Board to undertake an annual review of this scheme prior to inviting applications.

2. Background

2.1 Attached to this report please find a copy of the existing guidelines.

2.2 Also included for the reference of board members is a list of grants approved last year by the Board at its August meeting.

2.3 The following represents a reconciliation of the Board's General Assistance Grants Scheme account.

	\$
Opening balance 2019-2020	6,658.92
2020-2021 approved budget	<u>6,120.00</u>
	12,778.92
Less expenditure to date	<u>3,326.69</u>
	9,452.23
Plus revenue Rowden seat and plaque	<u>1,286.96</u>
	10,739.19
Less funding committed but not yet uplifted:	
Eketahuna Badminton Club	500.00
Eketahuna School	1,619.57
Age on the Go Expo	<u>250.00</u>

2,369.57

Balance available for allocation

\$8,369.62

2.4 It is noted the above available balance includes the amount of \$1,907.74 relating to town centre upgrade funds.

3. Significance Assessment

3.1 The proposed actions recommended to the Board are not considered to be significant in terms of the Council's policy on significance and engagement.

4. Conclusion

4.1 To enable this year's annual funding round to proceed the following recommendation is made for the Board's consideration.

Recommendation

That the report from the Governance Manager dated 2 February 2021 concerning Eketahuna Community Board General Assistance Grants Scheme (as circulated) be received, and

That applications be invited for funding from Eketahuna Community Board's 2020-2021 General Assistance Grants Scheme, and

That the closing date for applications be Thursday 8 April 2021 at 4.30pm.

Attachments

1↓. [Eketahuna General Assistance Grants Scheme](#)

EKETAHUNA COMMUNITY BOARD
GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS SCHEME

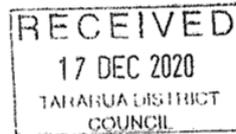
GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

1. Assistance will only be available for locally recognised organisations whose principal functions and/or activities are of a community or charitable nature.
2. Financial assistance will only be available for a specific project or projects or for the maintenance of a facility, and to offset fixed operational costs including such amounts incurred for rates and insurance payments.
3. Only one grant per organisation will be available in any financial year.
4. Funding will **not** be available for the following:
 - subsidise subscriptions or rents
 - wages and salaries
 - reduce debt load i.e. debts already incurred
 - schools
5. No assistance is to exceed half of project or maintenance/fixed operational costs.
6. Applications will not be considered unless accompanied by a balance sheet or statement of income and expenditure for the current financial year that has been reviewed independently.
7. Applications must be made on the form available.
8. Applications will be considered on merit.
9. The Community Board reserves the right to adjust the guidelines for any specific application.
10. Late applications will not be considered or carried forward.
11. Written quotes **must** be provided from suppliers to support any application seeking financial assistance for a project that involves either labour and/or material costs.
12. All funds granted from this Scheme must be uplifted within twelve months of the date of the approval being advised. After this time the offer of funding shall lapse unless the Board gives its consent to a request from the applicant to carry forward for a specified period the amount allocated.

General Assistance Grants Scheme

That the following grants be approved for disbursement from the Eketahuna Community Board's General Assistance Grants Scheme for the 2019/2020 annual funding allocation.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Amount Granted</i>
<i>Eketahuna Bowling Club</i>	<i>Rates remission</i>	<i>\$ 596.32</i>
<i>Eketahuna Golf Club</i>	<i>Water rates relief</i>	<i>\$ 775.00</i>
<i>Eketahuna Lawn Tennis Club</i>	<i>Turf and pavilion insurance</i>	<i>\$ 350.96</i>
<i>Eketahuna Our Town</i>	<i>Community newsletter</i>	<i>\$ 490.00</i>
<i>Eketahuna School</i>	<i>Swimming lessons for children and school patrol treat</i>	<i>\$1,686.53</i>
<i>Eketahuna Badminton Club</i>	<i>Freestanding posts and nets</i>	<i>\$ 500.00</i>
<i>Total amount granted</i>		<i>\$4,398.81</i>



EKETAHUNA CAMPING GROUND
NOVEMBER 2020 REPORT

The weather in November was not good . Visitor numbers were lower than we expected . We look forward to a great Christmas / New Year .

VISITORS

(EACH UNIT / FIGURE EQUALS 1 PERSON FOR 1 NIGHT)

POWER SITE	168	(kiwi 161 o/s 7)
CABINS	33	(kiwi 31 o/s 2)
UNPOWERED	131	(kiwi 114 o/s 17)

SUMMER PERIOD

Kiwi's are travelling in NZ . The bookings for the Xmas / New year period are very high . All cabins and power points are booked for this period . We expect to be fully booked also for tent sites .

MAJOR VISITING GROUPS

- **I.C.F.R. RALLY for 15 FEBRUARY**
25 - 35 motor homes
- **Middle Ages Group Easter 2021**
20 - 30 persons
- **Palmerston North Caravan Club**
29 December 15 caravans
- **Central Districts Caravan Club**
Waitangi Weekend 20 caravans

- **Palmerston North Catholic Families
Waitangi Weekend 30 persons**
- **Christian Motor Homes Group
Up to 50 motor homes 22 February**

HAPPY VISITOR

We have included an email from a visitor who is very happy with the camping ground and Eketahuna.

KERRY & LOREEN CUNNINGHAM

9/13/2020

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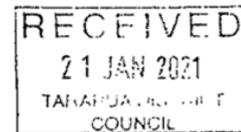
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Hi Loreen and Kerry

Very much enjoyed my stay at your campground. A very pretty spot and the kitchen and bathroom facilities are as good as i have seen anywhere. Fantastic value for money.

Eketahuna is a great spot. Meals at the pub were good as were any meals i ordered wherever i went. Super friendly and welcoming.

All very impressive. A lot of the bike group said they would like to come



EKETAHUNA CAMPING GROUND
DECEMBER 2020 REPORT

The weather around xmas was unsettled but visitor numbers very high around new year .

VISITORS

(EACH UNIT / FIGURE EQUALS 1 PERSON FOR 1 NIGHT)

POWER SITE	250	(kiwi 242 o/s 8)
CABINS	29	(kiwi 29 o/s 0)
UNPOWERED	239	(kiwi 232 o/s 7)

KIWI FAMILIES

Kiwi families came to the camping ground in force during the xmas holidays . It was great to see the large number of children playing in the camp . We are set up for children - with a large number play things and chalk to draw on the tar seal . The atmosphere was great .

Into the unknown

Once kiwi 's go back to work we don't know what visitor numbers will do . We have big groups visiting for short periods but overall numbers will be smaller than last year .

KERRY & LOREEN CUNNINGHAM