



Eketāhuna Community Board

Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Eketāhuna Community Board will be held in the **Pukaha National Wildlife Centre, 85379 State Highway 2, Mount Bruce** on **Monday 13 December 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 8 November 2021 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

- 6. Matters Arising from the Minutes**
- 7. Tararua District Council Report 7**
Recommendation
That the minutes of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 24 November 2021 (as circulated) be received.
- 8. Reports from Board Representatives Appointed to Organisations and Assigned Responsibilities**
- 9. Correspondence 14**
Recommendation
That the correspondence as listed be received.

a) Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated
Re: 14 October 2021 committee meeting minutes and reports
- 10. Chairperson's Remarks**
- 11. 2022 Meeting Dates**
The following are the dates of the Board's meetings to be held in 2022 until the election:
- 14 February
 - 14 March
 - 11 April
 - 9 May
 - 13 June
 - 11 July
 - 8 August
 - 12 September
- 12. Items Not on the Agenda**
- 13. Pukaha National Wildlife Centre Update**
Pukaha National Wildlife Centre General Manager Emily Court will provide an update on activities and projects relating to Pukaha National Wildlife Centre. It is intended around 11.00am (once the meeting is concluded) to view the site of the Te Waananga Taiao (Education and Accommodation Centre) project being developed. Invited guests will join board members for lunch at around 12noon.
- 14. Closure**



Eketāhuna Community Board

Minutes of a meeting of the Eketāhuna Community Board held in the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall, corner of Jones Street and State Highway 2, Eketāhuna on Monday 8 November 2021 commencing at 10.00am.

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

Mr R Taylor - Manager - Democracy Services

2. Apologies

2.1 Nil

3. Personal Matters

3.1 Nil

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 11 October 2021 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Carew/Clifton

Carried

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

6.1 **Armistice Day** (Item 11.2)

6.1.1 New Zealand Army Tenth Transport Company will be sending representatives to attend the Armistice Day community service in Eketāhuna, with a light lunch and refreshments to follow at the Eketāhuna Club.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 Board Member Cr Raylene Treder gave an update on various matters relating to the district and Council activities, including reference to the following:

- Covid-19 vaccination rates for the district are gradually progressing.
- Cancellation of the district's Christmas parades due to Covid-19 restrictions.
- Upgrade of Eketāhuna water treatment plant.
- Engagement of an external provider to support processing of building consent applications.
- Progress made through to stage 2 of the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund for the potential development of two identified areas in Pahiatua South and the former Hillcrest School site for development of new housing and infrastructure development.
- Government announcement that the Three Waters reform programme will be legislated to become mandatory effective from 1 July 2024, thereby creating a new four-entity structure to manage all Three Waters services across New Zealand.

7.2 ***That the minutes of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 27 October 2021 (as circulated) be received.***

Clifton/Death

Carried

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

8.1 Tararua District Road Safety Group

8.1.1 Deputy Chairperson Board Member Steen McGhie reported on the Tararua District Road Safety Group meeting held in Dannevirke on 14 October 2021, including reference to the following matters:

- A national speed management review is to be undertaken, and speed zones for schools in urban areas will be below 40km and rural below 60km. Main streets of towns may reduce to 30km. Tararua Alliance Asset Manager Hamish Featonby will be talking to Eketāhuna School about their requirements before Christmas this year.
- Work to extend sealing of unsealed roads may be considered to improve the safety of a road.
- Grass and weeds on unsealed roads are sprayed instead of being mown.
- Contact is to be made with the Horizons Regional Council Road Safety Coordinator Debbie Webster to discuss training a member of the Eketāhuna community on the installation of child restraints in vehicles.
- The Snap Send Solve app provides a convenient option for the community to report faults and service requests to Council.
- Mangaone Valley Road is now open to one lane light vehicles, with the intention to extend that capability to other vehicles as soon as practicable.

- Pahiatua Track is being closed to enable repair work to be undertaken.

8.2 **Tararua Emergency Management Committee**

- 8.2.1 Chairperson Board Member Charlie Death expressed disappointment he could not attend this month's Tararua Emergency Management Committee meeting given it is scheduled at the same time as the Armistice Day community service in Eketāhuna.

9. **Correspondence**

- 9.1 ***That the correspondence as listed be received.***

a) Eketāhuna Our Town Incorporated

Re: 12 August 2021 committee meeting minutes and reports

Carew/Clifton

Carried

- 9.2 Board Member Terry Carew gave an update on various matters relating to Eketāhuna Our Town Committee activities, including reference to the following:

- With the cancellation of this year's Eketāhuna Santa Cruise Christmas parade it is being proposed as an alternative to consider arranging Friday market evenings leading up to Christmas. The Play Trailer purchased by Council could be booked as part of those events.
- An additional flag pole at the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall is under consideration along with reviewing the lighting of the remembrance area.
- A further stage to develop the FlagTrax system is to be progressed.
- Development of the fitness track is to be undertaken along with re-liming of the lime track.
- Further fundraising is to occur to enable the security cameras monitoring system upgrade project to proceed.
- New members are required for the committee to ensure it remains active and able to maintain its momentum going forward in undertaking and funding community projects and events.
- Maintenance of the tile painting is being followed up as some of the names have faded and require restoration.
- Mark Watson provided a quote to paint the white kiwi, and has been engaged to undertake that work.

10. **Chairperson's Remarks**

10.1 **Tasks to Complete By the End of the Board's Term**

- 10.1.1 The following tasks are noted to be completed by the end of the Board's term in October next year:

- Repair the seed drill installed as part of the town centre upgrade project.
- Relocate the Eketāhuna topographical map for public display in the Eketāhuna Community Centre.
- Determine locations and install a chair/seat for use in a public area/facility.

- Create hitching posts made from railway sleepers with a commemorative plaque to honour the memory of local men who served in the Eketāhuna Mounted Rifles.
- Finish the installation of rubbish bins in the town centre.
- Erect white picket gates to the playground/swimming pool area.

10.2 **December Board Meeting**

10.2.1 Mayor Tracey Collis and Chief Executive Bryan Nicholson will attend the Board's December meeting to be held at Pūkaha National Wildlife Centre.

10.2.2 Board Member Terry Carew will make arrangements for the Board's meeting to occur at that venue, with Christmas lunch to follow its conclusion by around 12noon.

10.2.3 An invitation shall be extended to the following people to attend the Board's Christmas lunch to acknowledge and thank them for their contribution and service to the Eketāhuna community:

- Kerry and Loreen Cunningham - Eketāhuna Camping Ground
- Lee-anne Tait and Kendra Crafer - Eketāhuna Health Centre
- Tanmay and Priti Patel - Eketāhuna Four Square community supermarket and Gas Eketāhuna petrol station and convenience store

11. **Items Not on the Agenda**

11.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 11.05am.

Chairperson



Minutes of a meeting of the Tararua District Council held in the Council Chamber, 26 Gordon Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 24 November 2021 commencing at 1.05pm.

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 Taylor	- Manager - Democracy Services
Mr R Suppiah	- Group Manager - Corporate
Mr C Chapman	- Group Manager - Infrastructure
Mr M Maxwell	- Group Manager - Economic and Community Development
Ms T Love	- Group Manager - Operations
Ms S Lowe	- Group Manager - People and Capability
Mr D Watson	- Manager - Special Projects
Mr M Thomas	- Strategic Policy Advisor

Speakers in the public forum as outlined

2. Council Prayer

- 2.1 Mayor Tracey Collis opened the meeting with a Karakia/Council Prayer.

3. Apologies

- 3.1 Nil

4. Public Forum

4.1 Tararua Economic Impact Society

- 4.1.1 Philip Hartridge supported Council joining with others to oppose and legally challenge Government's decision to proceed with legislation compelling councils to transfer their three waters assets into the ownership and/or operational control of a new four-entity structure to manage these services across New Zealand.

4.2 **Akitio Beach Community and Ratepayers Association**

- 4.2.1 Peter Greatbatch and Sandra Cordell outlined the purpose of the Akitio Beach Community and Ratepayers Association, and urged Council to find a solution to providing a compliant and cost effective wastewater system suitable for that community area.

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 Sharon Wards declared a conflict of interest regarding item 11.2 concerning Akitio wastewater scheme.

7. **Personal Matters**

- 7.1 Council acknowledge and congratulate the following people on their achievements and successes:

- Rebecca Mahoney - Wairarapa Sports Official of the Year winner
- Stuart Curran - debuted as an NPC Provincial Rugby referee this year and refereed at the Heartland Championship and NPC 2021 Championship Final

8. **Confirmation of Minutes**

- 8.1 *That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 27 October 2021 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

Crs Wards/Isaacson

Carried

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

- 9.1 **Pahiatua Main Street Upgrade** (Item 10.2.3)

- 9.1.1 Mayor Tracey Collis has contacted Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency regarding the traffic counter placed in the centre island of Pahiatua, and will follow up that matter as a response has not yet been received.

10. **Community Boards and Community Committees Reports**

- 10.1 **Woodville Districts' Vision**

- 10.1.1 *That the report of the Woodville Districts' Vision meeting held on 2 November 2021 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Johns/Sutherland

Carried

10.1.2 **Bus Petition**

- 10.1.2.1 Woodville community is congratulated on arranging a petition at the Tararua I-Site seeking to get the Gisborne route Intercity buses to stop in Woodville.

10.1.3 **Woodville Wire**

- 10.1.3.1 The reference in the Woodville Districts' Vision Executive Committee special meeting minutes of 21 October 2021 stating the Woodville Wire is supported by Council is wrong as it does not provide funding or input to that community publication.

10.2 **Explore Pahiatua**

- 10.2.1 *That the report of the Explore Pahiatua meeting held on 3 November 2021 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Johns/Sutherland

Carried

10.2.2 **Three Waters Reform**

- 10.2.2.1 The reference in the Tararua District Council report section of the Explore Pahiatua November meeting minutes states Mayor Tracey Collis has written to Government regarding community consultation on the Three Waters reform.

- 10.2.2.2 This is not correct as the Mayor has not sent any such correspondence to Government regarding that matter.

10.2.3 **Housing Development in Pahiatua**

- 10.2.3.1 For the purpose of clarification Council has made application to the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund for housing development in Pahiatua (rather than Kainga Ora as stated in the Tararua District Council report section of the Explore Pahiatua November meeting minutes).

10.2.4 **Carnival Park**

- 10.2.4.1 Council congratulate Explore Pahiatua on signing with Department of Conservation a community agreement to undertake the management and oversight of Carnival Park.

10.3 **Dannevirke Community Board**

- 10.3.1 *That the report of the Dannevirke Community Board meeting held on 1 November 2021 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Johns/Sutherland

Carried

10.3.2 Food Secure Communities Project

- 10.3.2.1 Group Manager - Economic and Community Development Mark Maxwell is requested to provide an update and timeline to progress the Food Secure Communities project.

10.4 Eketāhuna Community Board

- 10.4.1 *That the report of the Eketāhuna Community Board meeting held on 8 November 2021 (as circulated) be received.*

Crs Johns/Sutherland

Carried

10.4.2 Tararua Emergency Management Committee

- 10.4.2.1 Mayor Tracey Collis has taken action to ensure meetings are not scheduled involving the district's elected members on Armistice Day, noting that request was also made to Horizons Regional Council.

- 10.4.2.2 An apology is conveyed to Eketāhuna Community Board Chairperson Charlie Death for not being able to attend the November Tararua Emergency Management Committee meeting as it was scheduled at the same time as the Armistice Day community service in Eketāhuna.

10.4.3 Painting of White Kiwi

- 10.4.3.1 Mark Watson is engaged to paint the white kiwi in Eketāhuna, and has commenced to undertake that work.

11. Reports

11.1 Three Waters Reform Next Steps

- 11.1.1 *That the report from the Chief Executive dated 17 November 2021 concerning Three Waters Reform next steps (as circulated) be received, and*

That Tararua District Council approve becoming a Partner Council and signatory to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Three Waters campaign to oppose Government's intention and convince them to reconsider their position in favour of other options that better deliver a set of reform proposals that meet the needs of communities, councils and Government, and

That it be noted the total cost to join the campaign is \$10,000, and the Chief Executive will find the funds for this purpose from existing operational budgets.

Crs Hull/Johns

Carried

11.2 Akitio Wastewater Scheme

- 11.2.1 Cr Sharon Wards previously declared a conflict of interest regarding this item of business, and abstained from discussion and voting on the motion concerning that matter.

- 11.2.2 ***That the report from the Group Manager - Infrastructure dated 18 November 2021 concerning Akitio wastewater scheme (as circulated) be received, thereby uplifting this matter from the table for further discussion at this meeting, and***

That Council, having considered this report and the options investigated, determines the request from the James-Bunz Family Trust to take over the existing Akitio Beach community sewage treatment and disposal system be declined, and

That Council staff be requested to work with the Akitio Beach community to identify potential solutions and options for consideration to provide a suitable sewage treatment and disposal system for their area.

Crs Johns/Hull

Carried

- 11.3 **Additional Funding for Eketāhuna and Woodville Water Treatment Plants**

- 11.3.1 ***That the report from the Project Manager dated 17 November 2021 concerning additional funding for Eketāhuna and Woodville water treatment plants (as circulated) be received, and***

That Council approve a budget increase through providing additional funding to complete the Woodville and Eketāhuna water treatment plants upgrades projects as well as a contingency for all upgrades as follows:

- Woodville water treatment plant upgrade is \$222,414***
- Eketāhuna water treatment plant upgrade is \$685,368***
- 20% contingency for all projects is \$141,556***

Crs Sutherland/Treder

Carried

- 11.4 **Adoption of the Draft Housing Strategy**

- 11.4.1 ***That the report from the Strategic Policy Advisor dated 17 November 2021 concerning a draft Housing Strategy (as circulated) be received, and***

That Council adopt the draft Housing Strategy as attached to this report, and consult on it as part of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan process, including any amendments which may result from the District Strategy process, and

That Council consider financial modelling and alternative options to achieve the objectives of the proposed investment in additional pensioner units as part of the 2022/2023 Annual Plan process.

Mayor Collis/Cr Wards

Carried

- 11.4.2 The meeting adjourned at 2.32pm while representatives from the White Ribbon campaign entered the Council Chamber, with everyone present and attending the meeting making a united pledge to stand up, speak out and act to prevent men's violence towards women.

- 11.4.3 Following the making of that commitment the meeting resumed at 2.37pm.

11.5 Sensitive Expenditure Policy and Guidelines

11.5.1 *That the report from the Group Manager - People and Capability dated 18 November 2021 concerning the Sensitive Expenditure Policy and Guidelines (as circulated) be received, and*

That Council adopt the Sensitive Expenditure Policy and Guidelines as recommended by the Working Group assigned by the Audit and Risk Committee.

Crs Hull/Treder

Carried

11.6 Audit and Risk Committee

11.6.1 *That the report of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held on 19 October 2021 (as circulated) be received.*

Cr Wards/Mayor Collis

Carried

12. Portfolio Reports

12.1 Armistice Day/Sedcole Flagpole

12.1.1 Cr Shirley Hull acknowledged the good attendance at the Armistice Day community service in Pahiatua, and also spoke on the event held with the Honourable Trevor Mallard MP gifting a big New Zealand flag for the Sedcole flagpole in the town centre.

12.2 Norsewood Festival

12.2.1 Cr Sharon Wards acknowledged the arrangement of the Norsewood Festival that created an opportunity for the community to come together and enjoy the occasion this event provided.

12.3 Dannevirke Water Supply

12.3.1 Group Manager - Infrastructure Chris Chapman reported Dannevirke impounded water supply is being filled following undertaking repairs, but due to this situation it has comparatively reduced capacity.

12.3.2 Work has commenced on water supply management strategies to implement this summer to promote conservation and prepare for when water takes are restricted due to low river flows. Dannevirke water supply will be placed into alternate evening restrictions (7.00 to 9.00pm) from 1 December 2021 as a precaution, thereby recognising its current limitations.

13. Mayoral Matters

13.1 Lower North Island Rail Integrated Mobility Detailed Business Case

- 13.1.1 Council supported the letter to the Minister of Finance and Minister of Transport from the Mayors in the lower North Island seeking a significantly improved regional passenger rail service as outlined in the investment proposal prepared by Greater Wellington Regional Council and Horizons Regional Council.

14. Items Not on the Agenda

- 14.1 Nil

There being no further business the Mayor thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 2.55pm.

Mayor

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**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE EKETĀHUNA OUR TOWN INCORPORATED SOCIETY
HELD IN THE ST JOHN HALL, CHURCH STREET
ON THURSDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2021**

Present: Rena Tyler (Chair), Corinna Carew (Deputy Chair), Terry Carew (Treasurer), Murray Rawstorn (Secretary), Jules Burt (EIC Coordinator), Warren Chase, Margaret Drysdale, Colin Fraser-Davies, Stella Governor, Gary Groombridge, David Kinzett and Margaret Parsons.

1. The Chair declared the meeting open at 7.00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

ITEM 1 – CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

2. Nil.

ITEM 2 – APOLOGIES

3. Everlyne Chase, Jenny Davidson and Glynne MacLean.

ITEM 3 – MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

4. The minutes of the previous Meeting, held on 12 August 2021, were taken as read.¹ They had been previously circulated via email and were available at the meeting.

Motion: That the minutes of the Eketāhuna Our Town Meeting, held on 12 August 2021, be accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: M. Rawstorn
Seconded: J. Burt

Decision: Carried
Action: Nil

ITEM 4 – BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

5. **Item 4/6, from 12 Aug Item 12/17 – Community Certificate of Appreciation.** On 12 Sep 21, Rena, accompanied by members of the Our Town committee and local policeman, Jaymahl Glassey, presented the community certificate of appreciation to Tanmay and Prit Patel at their shop premises.
6. **Item 12/18 – Eastern and Central Charitable Trust (EECT) Grant Application.** The documentation has been submitted; however, Terry has heard nothing back as yet.

¹ The scheduled September meeting was cancelled.

7. **Item 12/21 – Wagon Repair.** Jules has been approached by Mark Dimock, with an offer to repair the wagon free of charge.
8. **Item 12/22 – Children’s Playground Signage.** Rena has approached Katie McGregor to create signage concepts that will be reflective of the amenities. Further discussion deferred to General Business.

ITEM 5 – CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

- a. Nil.

Outwards

9. The following outwards correspondence was sent:
- a. 7 Sep 21. Secretary e-mail membership address list, Cancellation of September Our Town Monthly Meeting.
 - b. 8 Sep 21. Secretary e-mail to committee address list, Certificate of Community Recognition, advising of intended presentation to Tanmay and Priti Patel on 12 Sep.
 - c. 12 Oct 21. Secretary email to membership address list, Eketāhuna Our Town August Meeting Minutes and October Meeting Agenda

Motion: That the outwards correspondence be ratified.

Moved: M. Rawstorn
Seconded: C. Carew

Decision: Carried
Action: Nil.

ITEM 6 – FINANCE

10. Terry tabled the September Financial Report, a copy of which was circulated to the meeting, and is attached as enclosure 2 to these Minutes. Cashflow continues to be healthy, about \$11,000, which includes \$1,200 for the calendars. This is against lower visitor numbers and the effects of Covid-19 lockdown levels. Terry noted that the Information Centre had had some major expenditure for Christmas stock, which will impact next month’s figures.

Motion: That the September 2021 financial report as presented be accepted.

Moved: T. Carew
Seconded: R. Tyler

Decision: Carried
Action: Nil.

ITEM 7 – INFORMATION CENTRE REPORT

11. Jules tabled the Eketāhuna Information Centre (EIC) report for the past month, which is attached as enclosure 2 to these Minutes. Points noted include:
- a. A significant drop in visitors, undoubtedly as a result of the latest Covid-19 outbreak, and a consequential decrease in sales figures.
 - b. ATM usage also stayed slightly down, remaining in the mid-300s.

- c. The Menz Shed window theme remained in place longer than usual, to give people a chance to see it post-Level Four lockdown.
- d. No volunteers were forthcoming following Jules' recent advertisements. She will repeat the notice in the next newsletter.
- e. Christmas stock has arrived and the shelves are full.
- f. A printing fault with the 2022 calendar resulted in a slight delay, but they will be in-store shortly. Pre-orders have gone very well.

Motion: That the August 2021 Information Centre Report as presented be accepted.

Moved: J. Burt
Seconded: M. Parsons

Decision: Carried
Action: Nil.

ITEM 8 – WAKA PARK PROJECT REPORT

12. Warren introduced Stella to the meeting, an ex-student of Eketāhuna School and an artist. They proposed creating a mural on the southern wall of the Waka Park and sought funding for it to go ahead. Stella outlined the plan, based on the Nine Sisters of the Matariki star cluster, and showed some of her concept sketches. Warren has discussed the proposal with the building's owner who has no objection. Rena directed Warren to provide a detailed proposal, including the funding required and confirmation of the designs that will feature.

Action: Warren to furnish a detailed proposal and present to a future meeting for approval.

ITEM 9 – LIME TRACK REPORT

13. Moved to General Business.

ITEM 10 – WALKING AND CYCLING REPORT

14. Colin reported that virtually all the amendments and section which he wrote for the revised Walks and Rides booklet have been incorporated into the publication. Colin's activities in support of this endeavour were mentioned in a recent edition of the Bush Telegraph, albeit anonymously, instead being described as a 'community volunteer.'

ITEM 11 – 2023 JUBILEE REPORT

15. The planned sub-committee meeting in August was cancelled as a result of the Covid lockdown. One is being planned prior to Christmas.

ITEM 12 – GENERAL BUSINESS

16. **Flag Trax.** Terry briefed the meeting on various discussions he's had with the Wellington and Northern Regions representatives of the Flag Trax company. As a result, Terry is waiting to receive a quote for costs around self-designed flags, and purchasing additional ANZAC flags, Christmas flags and anything else Our Town may want to consider and suggested drawing on the Project Fund to cover the costs.

17. **Lime Track.** Terry advised of additional costs for the laying of additional lime around the Lime Track. He is going to approach the Department of Corrections to see if they can

assist with labour. The exercise station installations are ready to go ahead by the end of November, however a major obstacle is the unavailability of some of the timber due to Covid-related shortages. What is available is due to be delivered on 11 November and will be installed.

18. Additional Flag Pole for War Memorial Hall. Terry proposed the installation of an additional flag pole at the Eketāhuna War Memorial Hall to enable both New Zealand and Australian flags to fly on ANZAC Day. He has discussed this with the Tararua District Council who has no objection. The meeting agreed to this proposal.

Action: Terry to arrange flag pole installation with Our Town funding.

19. War Memorial Hall External Lighting. Terry advised that, at the time lighting was installed to illuminate the crosses on the lawns, additional external lighting was to have been installed as part of the upgrade that would silhouette the sculptures against the Hall wall. This was never done. Terry has spoken with a local electrician who has estimated \$500 to install the lighting and the Tararua District Council agree for the work to be completed. The meeting agreed to the proposal, subject to receiving a quote.

Action: Terry to present the electrician's quote at a future Our Town Meeting.

20. Menz Shed. Terry advised the meeting that the Menz Shed is intending to expand its premises. However, it is proposed the extension will be a community shed for all people, whilst the Menz Shed will retain its existing premises. Terry sought approval for funding to be under the auspices of an Our Town project, on the basis that the new shed will be available for all. The meeting agreed in principle, subject to a complete proposal being submitted.

Action: Terry to submit a full proposal at a future Our Town Meeting.

21. Santa Cruise (aka Christmas Parade). Corinna discussed the Covid-related issues faced in running public events, such as the annual Santa Cruise, especially at Alert Levels Two and above. Plans have been progressing, with the traffic management plan in place, however concerns were expressed at holding such an event whilst under the subject alert levels. Corinna suggested if the area is not at Alert Level One or below by the first week in November, that the committee agrees to cancel the 2021 Santa Cruise. The November meeting can then make a decision. Regardless of the decision, it was agreed the committee would discuss other options to ensure the Christmas spirit remained alive and well in Eketāhuna.

22. Christmas Carols. Margaret D raised the prospect of holding the Christmas Carol service, given the previous discussion. It was agreed in principle, it was probable that this event could go ahead, however deferred any commitment and decision until the November committee meeting.

23. Children's Playground Signage. In addition to the advice in Business Arising earlier, Rena has received tacit approval from Kelly Christiansen of the Tararua District Council to affix signage to their Service Centre building at the corner of Main and Bridge Streets., however has yet to approach Keinzleys until Our Town confirms its intentions. Rena discussed options for signage and showed some concepts. The meeting decided to have

Katie McGregor sketch up a sign and Rena will then approach remaining stakeholders to gain their endorsement.

Action: Rena to approach Katie McGregor for pricing and to create signage.

24. **Town Map.** Rena also proposes approaching Katie McGregor to remodel the town map that used to be in the Information Centre ('make it slightly "funkier"') and hang it in the old Property Brokers window. It is intended that it will signpost some of the highlights around the town, and could include QR coding to provide more detailed information.

25. **Three Waters Submissions.** Rena gave a brief overview of the Government's Three Waters proposal and some of its potential impacts. She invited members to familiarise themselves with the proposal and, if so exercised, make submissions regarding it to local and central administrations.

ITEM 13 – NEXT MEETING

26. The next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 11 November 2021.

ITEM 14 – MEETING CLOSURE

27. There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.52 p.m.

M. RAWSTORN
Secretary

R. TYLER
Chair

Enclosures:

1. August and September 2021 Financial Reports
2. Information Centre Coordinator's Report September 2021

Income & Expenditure	Info centre	Our Town	Aug-21
Sales banked	\$ 2,226.00	\$ 4.52	Interest
Grants	\$ 1,500.00	\$-	Grants
Fundraising	\$-		
Interest	\$ 3.88		
Donations/subs	\$-		
Total Income	\$ 3,729.88	\$ 4.52	
Stock etc	\$ 433.34	\$-	Our Town Sundries
Running Costs	\$ 454.47	\$-	Newsletter
Contractors	\$ 800.00	\$-	Community Projects
Volunteer Expenses	\$ 19.74	\$ 200.00	Donations to
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,707.55	\$ 200.00	
		Bank Statement open	\$ 39,310.87
		Bank Statement close	\$ 41,137.72

Funds Allocated	Info centre	Our Town
Fitness Track		\$ 18,089.20
Waka Park (Lottery2016)		\$ 2,450.96
Lotteries Flagtrax		\$ 1,102.50
Lotteries TMP		\$ 1,270.95
OP Grant	\$ 2,872.71	
Contractors	\$ 1,900.00	
Minor Projects	\$ 1,366.76	
Total	\$ 6,139.47	\$22,913.61
		Our Town Cash Flow
		\$12,084.64

Note

1 ECCT Application sent.

Income & Expenditure	Info centre	Our Town	Sep-21
Sales banked	\$ 339.50	\$-	Interest
Grants	\$-	\$-	Grants
Fundraising	\$-		
Interest	\$-		
Donations/subs	\$-		
Total Income	\$ 339.50	\$-	
Stock etc	\$-	\$-	Our Town Sundries
Running Costs	\$ 453.57	\$-	Newsletter
Honorarium	\$ 800.00	\$-	Community Projects
Volunteer Expenses	\$-	\$-	Donations to
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,253.57	\$-	
		Bank Statement open	\$ 41,137.72
		Bank Statement close	\$ 40,423.65
Funds Allocated	Info centre	Our Town	
Fitness Track		\$ 18,089.20	
Waka Park (Lottery2016)		\$ 2,450.96	
Lotteries Flagtrax		\$ 1,102.50	
Lotteries TMP		\$ 1,270.95	
Volunteer Expenses (COGs)	\$ 1,500.00		
OP Grant	\$ 2,419.14		
Contractors	\$ 1,100.00		
ECCT - Contractor	\$-		
Minor Projects	\$ 1,366.76		
Total	\$6,385.90	\$22,913.61	
		Our Town Cash Flow	\$11,124.14

Note:

- 1 Cash Flow includes \$1200 for calenders.
- 2 CCTV - Application to be made
- 3 Awaiting ECCT App Contractors - \$7200

Coordinators Report for Sept 2021

	Jul	Aug	Sept
Local Visitors	79	32	31
NZ Visitors	83	26	32
Overseas	1	1	0
ATM Usage	392	349	357
Counter Sales	\$732.50	\$437.50	\$366.50

Hello Ladies and Gents

EIC Window Theme's

For August/Sept "Eketāhuna Menzshed". Have left this window up as not many would have seen it through lockdown. Will change in the next couple of weeks.

Volunteers

We are still in need of more volunteers. I will put notice in newsletter again.

Stock

Xmas stock has been ordered. A few new things, come in store and have a look.

Painting The White Kiwi

Mark Watson will complete the painting by end of Oct, weather permitting.

2022 Calendar

Are here! Yaaaaaaaay!

Jingo's! Have noticed a couple of problems with them today so Greenlee's are having to reprint for us, should be here tomorrow.

Kind Regards

Jules Burt
Co-ordinator

