



*Halcombe will be a safe, supportive and progressive community.
It will be attractive, valued by all and well connected to the wider district.*

Minutes OF THE HALCOMBE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Monday 2nd August 2021 7pm @ Halcombe Memorial Hall

PRESENT: Jeannette Henderson (Chair), Barbara Davies, Alex Short, Peter Beck, Richard Bain Vicki Powell, Rachel Lane, Cr Stewart Campbell.

1.1 Apologies: Maureen Lambert, Linda Paton, Andrew Hansen, Annie O’Fee (Moved: Rachel Seconded: Peter)	
1.2 Correspondence - See end.	
1.3 Confirmation of previous minutes: <i>That the minutes from the previous meeting held on 5th July 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record with the above amendments.</i> (Moved: Barbara Seconded: Jeannette)	
1.4 Matters Arising from 8th June 2021 minutes:	
Rachel to organise gorse to be sprayed in Cemetery land.	
Alex to do a “How to do a visitor post” instruction for the FB page.	
Rachel to reply to Mayor Helen re: response from PowerCo.	
Neighbourhood Support – Aly Thompson to visit	Has been moved to September meeting.
Finance Policy has been done. Needs to be discussed and accepted.	Discussed below.
Phone book blurb still needs to be done and committee would like to see a draft to proof.	Jeannette to follow up with Annie.

2.0 FINANCIAL BUSINESS

2.1 Financial Report <i>That the Financial Report showing an overall total balance of \$22,793.10 as at 31st July 2021 be accepted.</i> See attached Financial report for payments made and received in July. (Moved: Rachel Seconded: Richard)
2.2 Invoices for approval None presented but there are some further Lantern Festival costs to come. To be approved by email. (Moved: Jeannette Seconded: Vicki)
2.3 MDC Project Funding <u>\$3K fund:</u> No spend from this fund in July so no reimbursement needed. <u>Other Project \$:</u> (Kept in minutes as an FYI) No spend from this fund in June so no reimbursement needed. \$3,624.77 cenotaph lights left over – this has been reallocated to Monteith Street Walkway. \$17,000 Info signs and picnic area. Need to get picnic tables in. \$8,200 Further CBD/Cenotaph/Rec Area Development (2021/22).
Actions required from Financial Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance Policy approved – Rachel passed a motion to adopt the Finance Policy which was presented to the Committee in June, Vicki 2nd. All agreed to adopt it. Another copy for Treasurers records is needed for REACT and J Henderson reimbursement for Lantern expenses paid in June.

3.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

Current Consultation Underway	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representation review continues. About to put out for consultation a proposal recommending 4 Rural, 4 Urban and 1 Maori wards for the next election in 2022. 	
Council Report: Stuart Campbell.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stuart went to the Local Government Conference and the focus of discussion was on the 3 waters reforms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This reform is a big concern as Councillors of local government haven't yet got all the information but Central Govt. is trying to rush this legislation through. Central Govt. want to make a call on this by Sept 2021 and have it legislated by Nov 2021. Central Govt. have said each Local Govt. entity can opt out but they (Central Govt) may renege on this. The proposed Govt. legislation will mean the 3 waters (storm, waste and drinking) will be removed from the 67 Councils who currently look after it and put into 4 big entities run by boards (divided by iwi lines). The make-up of the boards that will govern the proposed big entities = 3 General board members and 3 Iwi board members. MDC will be included with bottom of the North Island and top of the South Island areas. MDC Councillors are very concerned that MDC ratepayers will end up subsidising the likes of PNth as MDC has invested in 3 waters infrastructure over the years, whereas PNCC hasn't. Local Government Minister addressed the Local Govt. Conference and said that this is the first move to remove infrastructure from Local Councils. It was implied that Central Govt. would then do a review of Local Govt. and look to remove it all together – This is highly concerning as it is a huge move towards socialism and for a small area like us, our voice will be lost. MDC discussing the issue further on Thursday. Rachel to send out You Tube clip to community as this needs to be brought to community's attention. Rachel will also pass the HCDGs concerns onto the SHRWS. A new CEO has been appointed – Shane Harris. DC policy awaiting further legal advice. 	

4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Roles – Linda and Maureen. Linda to step down wrt communication. Barb do minutes and Rachel to pick up Communication. Vicki & Richard to continue to support Maureen with the Hall.

4.1 Focus #1 – Walkway and Domain (Vicki)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andre has done a bit of fixing of the walkway edging. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andre will get a list of what he needs to complete the repairs for next meeting.

4.1a Focus #1a – Monteith Street walkway (Rachel)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This project now is part of the HCT. 	

4.2 Focus #2 – Hall (Maureen)	
Usage – July	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No hall update this month. 	
Bookings for August:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No hall update this month. 	

Discussion/Activity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does Maureen need to still be phone contact for hall Article in Feilding-Rangitikei Herald (FRH) was incorrect as Halcombe Hall is high usage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeannette to speak to Maureen re: still wanting to be phone contact for hall. Jeannette to send letter to the Editor of FRH.
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4.3 Focus #3 – Cenotaph & Recreational Area (Rachel/Maureen)	
History boards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update this month. 	
Painting picnic tables. Last 2 picnic tables being painted today. To be situated: Monteith Street car park end, South end of Levin Street and 2 in area by where info boards will be above rugby field.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rachel to contact Rec Services re: getting them installed.

4.3 Subprojects

Roading (Richie)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New boundary pegs have been surveyed off on the cnr of Halcombe Road and Mt Biggs Road as this area is being developed. Footpath by hall where needs to be sorted has been marked out. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rachel to ask MDC if true boundary adjustment on the cnr of Halcombe Road and Mt Biggs Road.

Community get-togethers	
Lantern Festival (Jeannette)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barb moved an official motion of thanks to Jeannette. It was a wonderful night! Thanks to everyone who helped. The school kids who helped were great. 40 lanterns were made at the workshops. 12 were made at the school. Some bought last years ones. 100+ people attended the evening. To promote further just try and keep local (mail drop, pay for FB advert for Halcombe people). Sausages were a hit (150 were eaten) Buttered too much bread but Jeanette won't claim for it as has another use for it. Mulled wine ran out. Milo went well. More sugar needed. 	

Cemetery Land (Rachel)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ewes have started lambing. Have lost 2 ewes. 	
Entrance/Welcome signs (Richie)	
No update. Still to be placed.	

Phone books (Annie)	
Committee would like to see a proof before it goes to print.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeannette to ask Annie for a proof.

4.5 Other General Business

Water Scheme	See comments above in MDC report.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rachel to communicate with SHRWS committee.
Recycling	All good.	
Halcombe Community Trust	Not update.	
Halcombe Community Fund	Not update.	

5.0 COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

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6.0 OTHER ITEMS

Stanway Church Jubilee went well.

Correspondence	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• James Adamson re: phone call from Clive Manderson re the trees his family sponsored on the walkway. Rachel called Clive.• Email from Janine Hawthorn re: getting minutes to MDC in a timely fashion.• Keeping your community in the loop newsletter from MDC.• Feilding & Districts Promotions re: Celebrating Business awards nominations.• Stacey Eagle MDC re: Annual Plan (2022/23) funding requests.• Email from member of the community re: drone flying over properties on Knorp Street. <p><u>Hall Correspondence</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No hall update this month <p>(Moved: Jeannette Seconded: Rachel)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vicki will ensure replacement plants are planted by the Manderson family plaques.

Meeting Closed: 8:39pm