



*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 HELD Monday 7 August 2017 7pm at the HALCOMBE TAVERN

PRESENT: Rachel Lane, Mel Henderson, Vicki Powell, Alex Short, Shane Casey, Richard Bain, Teresa Hancox, David McMillan (MDC), Jeannette Henderson.

1.1 APOLOGIES: Mayor Helen Worboys, Cr Alison Short, Cr Steve Bielski, Peter Beck, George Kereama, Ben Henderson.

1.2 CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS/OUTWARDS:

IN:

- Lathan Broadhead from Wanganui – his family plot in the cemetery is overgrown with ivy. He inquired as to whether this could be cleared.
- MDC – mobile recycling centre approval.
- Kiwi Rail said they have railway sleepers available for us (3 pallets) however the price has increased significantly to \$800 per pallet of 25.
- MDC has credited the HCDG bank account 2016/2017 funds.
- Letter from Janine Hawthorne re supporting us applying to Westpac for being able to make payments via internet banking.
- Wayne Short inquired as to whether Stanway could share the Halcombe website & Facebook. This enquiry highlights the potential need to change the community groups name as the HCDG already encompasses Halcombe and surrounding areas i.e. Stanway, Kakariki, Tokorangi and along some of Mt Biggs Road.
- Sky have picked up their gear but did not charge for the set up.
- Mike Headly of Clive St. has received a letter from MDC with regards to the Knorp St/Halcombe Rd intersection.

OUT:

1.3 MINUTES of Last Meeting 3 July 2017:

Approved

2. Items for Approval/Information

2.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- The HCDG have changed the dates for presenting their financials. These will now be presented calendar month (1st – end of the month) rather than following the bank statements, which don't coincide well with our meeting dates. It is hoped this will be much easier to manage and report on.

- Rachel has reconciled the last 3 years of the HCDG bank statements (Westpac account). Please find these attached to these minutes for the record. A copy will also be sent to Janine Hawthorne. The Hall and Sports Ground account will also be done once we have internet banking sorted for the ANZ.
- Dave Curry has banked the cheque that was sent to him for the erection of the domain fence.

Halcombe Community Development Group Account (Westpac):

Opening Balance as at 1/07/17	\$4,405.34
Deposits = 3,032.05	
Expenses = 3,670.47	
Closing Balance as at 31/07/17	\$3,766.92
Unpresented cheques = 123.99	

Hall/Sports Ground Account (ANZ)

Opening Balance as at 01/07/17	\$15,782.65
Deposits = 3,207.00	
Expenses = 4,271.31	
Closing Balance as at 31/07/2017	\$14,237.99

COUNCIL REPORT:

- 'Go Shift' – MDC on-line Building Consent process has gone live
- Long Term Planning – the process has begun
- Asset management plans and Hall reports are being done
- Speed limit reviews along Awahuri/Feilding road
- 81 pokie machines is the limit for the Manawatu region
- Council elections will be held in 2019
- Knorp Street closed as culvert has collapsed

3. Other Business



3.1 Community

Meet Ya Neighbour (rugby match)

Despite the lack of numbers, it was an awesome event and thoroughly enjoyed by those that attended. Well done and thank you to the organisers.

A \$932.00 loss was made on the evening however the biggest disappointment was extremely poor support from the community. A lot of thought and energy goes in to organising and planning community events and it is felt that the lack of support for such mid-winter/evening events gives a clear signal that the community does not want them. It was discussed and decided that for the time being the HCDG will no longer organise such events and focus will be on supporting the one event that does successfully bring the community together, ANZAC Day.

This does however leave a challenging question... How do we build community in a "dormitory community" i.e. one where people leave to work, come home to 'roost' at night and don't really want to venture out again?? This will be discussed further when we review our Community Plan.

Mobile Recycling Unit – One has been approved for Halcombe and David McMillan of MDC spoke to HCDG with regards to finding an appropriate site for the unit.

- These are shipping containers with slots
- Emptied twice a week
- Recycled items are to be rinsed
- Where should this be sited – away from main road but close enough not to be abused.
- Options – Rugby Club carpark and land between Pub and Fire Brigade were the two preferred options. David to speak with the land owners of both sites.

Action Summary	Person responsible	Minutes date
COMMUNITY		
Halcombe community Civil Defence strategy: still progressing	Sue	Feb 2014
Soldier History: WWII	Richard + Jeannette	May 2014
Picture from Vicki: We need to decide where to put this.	Mel / All	July 2014
Community Calendar: Dates need to be loaded into it + it published on the website.	All to feed-in dates + Rachel to load	Aug 2014



3.2 Environment

Walkway

- New plaques to be glued and screwed into position
- Richie to put back the plaque that has been ripped out.
- Working Bee planned for the 20th Aug has been postponed.
- Stones to be places under the 'Halcombe' signs at either end of village when dry enough - Richie
- 'Halcombe' village sign needs cleaning with soap & water - Richie

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ENVIRONMENT		
Thank you, plaque, Rachel to organise a plaque for RAL to go on their "sponsorship wall". – Needs to be put up	Rachel	Sept 2014
Balance of the Health & Safety equipment to be purchased	Rachel	June 2016



3.3 Village Heart

- Railway Gate – Rachel still to follow up on this.
- CBD – Rachel to book a meeting with Brent Holmes for the next step in this process.
- Gavin (a fencer) will be sending a written quote to Rachel re the fence between the Tennis Court and Men's Toilet.

Hall and Sports ground

- \$1,000 was paid to Darryl to replace the Sports Ground sheep.
- Moa's have used the hall
- Fireplace in the hall does not work – could this be fixed? (his has been “logged as a job” over a year ago...!)
- The new plastic mop buckets have broken – replace with metal type – a full reconciliation of what's needed for the hall needs to be done.
- Newbury Hall visit – each committee member to do a drawing of the 'New Look' Halcombe kitchen & Bar areas and a list of what they think the hall need. This will be discussed fully at the September meeting.

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VILLAGE HEART		
Signage for Toilets: Jeff to put this up.	Jeff Lane	Mar 2014
HALL/SPORTS GROUND		
Policy for accessing Hall/Sports Ground funds: Application form to be completed.	Rachel	Feb 2016
Carpet for supper room area: Quote required for this.	Mel	July 2014
New Vinyl for Toilets: Quote required	Mel	Aug 2014
Hall furniture: Replace with lighter tables and chairs	Mel/Karen/Rachel/Jeanette	Aug 2014
Hall curtain: Needs to be repaired	Rachel / Mel	Dec 2016
Loading ramp to be built	Working bee	Dec 2015



3.4 Development

- The Halcombe Community Trust has now been launched. The paperwork has been sent to the Charities Services for registration. Rachel gave a short presentation to Ian McKelvie on the 4 main issues affecting Halcombe and its region – Cell Phone Coverage, Police, Power & Flooding. Ian asked that Rachel share her presentation with Ben Henderson in his office. Ian McKelvie also congratulated Rachel on her most excellent presentation.
- New street lights have been installed – mixed feedback received – brighter close up but they do not have the same coverage, so appear darker from a distance.
 - Brighter upstairs at the pub
 - Teresa to speak to neighbours in the Mt Biggs/Hasting st area
- Cell Phone coverage – awaiting the August tender results before the next step is taken.
- Police – This is curenly with Ian McKelvies office.
- Community Plan – Our plan needs to revised (possibly some time in September). A separate meeting (or meetings) will be held for this. Dates to be discussed at the Sept meeting.

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DEVELOPMENT		
Roading changes and tarsealing: Community consultation required.	All	June 2015

3.5 OTHER ITEMS:

- ANZAC Day – if we want to do big things then we need more funding/ideas.

- Flooding – Rangitawa stream & Ingham street – HCDG needs to approach Horizons about dredging the stream.
- Letter from MDC on Annual Plan submission has not yet been received. Rachel to write to Mayor.

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Next Meeting Date: Monday 4th September 2017 at 7pm in the Halcombe Tavern