



*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 4 September 2017 7pm at the HALCOMBE TAVERN**

**PRESENT:** Rachel Lane, Mel Henderson, Vicki Powell, Alex Short, Shane Casey, Teresa Hancox, Peter Beck, Darryl, Jeannette Henderson.

**1.1 APOLOGIES:** Richard Bain, George Kereama, Mayor Helen, Ben Henderson.

**1.2 CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS/OUTWARDS:**

**IN:**

- Water Scheme meeting postponed
- Email from Mayor Helen re Submission replies – they are on their way
- Submission reply received
- Telephone call from Rachel Dore re Radio Show interview
- Telephone call from Bev thanking HCDG photos of her plaques

**OUT:**

- Email to Mayor Helen re following up submission replies
- Receipt to Janine Hawthorn for Domain Fence (for reimbursement)

**1.3 MINUTES of Last Meeting 7 August 2017:** Approved

**2. Items for Approval/Information**

**2.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

- The HCDG has set up internet banking with Westpac
- Purchase of 1 x pallet of Railway Sleepers @ \$800 - Unanimously agreed

**Halcombe Community Development Group Account (Westpac):**

Opening Balance as at 1/08/17	<b>\$3,766.92</b>
<b>Deposits =</b> 0	
<b>Expenses =</b> 123.99	
Closing Balance as at 31/08/17	<b>\$3,642.93</b>
<b>Unpresented cheques =</b>	

**Hall/Sports Ground Account (ANZ)**

Opening Balance as at 01/08/17	<b>\$14,237.99</b>
<b>Deposits =</b> 6.93	
<b>Expenses =</b> 591.18	
Closing Balance as at 31/08/2017	<b>\$13,653.747S</b>

## COUNCIL REPORT:

- Mayor Helen request Stanway/Halcombe Water Scheme AGM be postponed as the date clashed with the Community Honours Awards.
- Broadband update from Central Government. to region being looked at by Richard Templar
  - There will be an additional \$140 million funding for the RBI2/MBS programme, on top of the existing \$150 million funding. This brings the total funding for RBI2/MBS programme to \$290 million.
  - The RBI2 will provide enhanced broadband for 74,000 New Zealanders (including committed commercial mobile coverage) across all regions including the Chatham Islands. Mobile coverage under MBS will be extended to 1,000 kilometres across 32 state highways and more than 100 tourist areas across New Zealand.
  - A website link was provided in the press release showing where coverage is to be enhanced with this new initiative, however the link was not working.
- Draft LTP
  - Stormwater review v's Reservoir – **HALCOMBE RESIDENTS WANT TO BE PROPERLY CONSULTED ON THIS. Currently it feels like the Council is not listening to the Community it is serving.**
- Rates Rebates – If you own your own home & are on low income you can receive a Rates rebate. Make your application now.
- Youth Ambassadors – Will be conducting a District Wide tour, visiting Community meetings, Playcentre, other community events.

## 3. Other Business



### 3.1 Community

**ANZAC** – meeting scheduled for 5<sup>th</sup> Sept has been postponed.

- Halcombe was planning something big for 2018, but as the homecoming wasn't until 1919 (so will be 100 years in 2019) we will defer the plans to 2019 ANZAC Day. – Unanimously agreed
- Although we do need to make any bookings straight away.
- Thank you to Richie for cleaning the Halcombe signs and updating the Water Scheme sign
- Mobile Recycling Station – Rugby club neighbours have been contacted with regards to the site. However we are yet to have conformation of where the MRC will be placed.
- ACTION POINTS – as we receive no update from MDC on the action points within our minutes, we will now put an Action Point table at the end of the minutes. As we go through the minutes we will transfer those that still require action.
  - **Civil Defence** – this point has been in the minutes requiring an update since 2014. Sue Simpson has chased up the strategy but have not heard anything back. We have produced a 'Booklet' for residents, but again have had not feedback on this.
  - Halcombe WWII heroes – WWII is more difficult to research. This will be put on ice for the time being.
  - Manawatu picture of Halcombe school students. This could be placed in the Supper room in the hall



### 3.2 Environment

#### Walkway

- Working Bee – Scheduled for SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017 at 9am – 1pm
- Rachel still to erect the new/corrected plaques and send a thank you plaque to RAL.



### 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.
- Action point re: Jeff putting up Gary Dyer signs on the toilets (as Gary Dyer donated the paint). This action is to be removed as the signs provided were too big so free website advertising has been given for the last few years instead.

#### Hall and Sports ground

- Booking for the hall – we have received 3 for the next couple of months
- Fireplace update – not heard back from Council – this will be added to the Action Table.
- Lambing – Docking this weekend / Gorse spraying in paddock required / Shearing will be Labour weekend
- Many thanks to Darryl for looking after the sheep.
- New Kitchen layout discussion:
  - After visiting Newbury Hall Vicki & Teresa put forward ideas for the Halcombe kitchen and bar area. The HCDG liked the ideas. Next step is to get quotes and submit to the Halcombe Trust to apply for funds on behalf of the Hall.
  - Carpeting and vinyl will also be added to the request



### 3.4 Development

- The Halcombe Community Trust has now submitted its documents to Charities Services.
- Payment Options for Capital Connection Fees – not heard back from Council. Action table.
- Cell Phone coverage and landlines – both providing huge challenges for our community.
- Police:
  - There is a new number for non-urgent calls to police – When will this be communicated to the community?

- Plans for the Feilding police restructure are going through despite community objections. These changes affect both Feilding and Rural areas.
- The Police chiefs are saying there is still the same number of Police but they are just constantly out and about rather than being station based.
- Need to become more reliant on the Neighbourhood Support and to be extra vigilant.
- Neighbourhood Support AGM is on 26 Sept at 7pm in St Paul's Hall Feilding.
- People are urged to report **anything suspicious** to 111 as statistics are what we need to ensure police numbers are kept in the area.
- Community Plan – What is Halcombe's vision for the future?
  - Meeting on Wed 27 Sept at 7.30pm in the Tavern
  - Bring along any ideas
  - Rachel to send out a call via Facebook / Email
- New street lights – brighter but in a smaller area
- Roading
  - Knorp Street culvert has been repaired.
  - Tarseal between the '70' speed signs needs addressing as it is deteriorating badly (between the bottom of Knorp Street and the start of Hastings Street). Transaction # required.
- Submission MDC Response to points put forward
  - Kerbside Waste – rejected
  - Recycling – approved
  - Target education on Farm waste
  - Carry funds over to this year – approved
  - Drainage – MDC/Horizon Survey 2017-2018
  - Monteith Street parking – approved (will go ahead Oct/Nov 2017)
  - Road Safety – no changes
  - Halcombe Water Treatment - \$22.5k treatment plant 2018-2028
  - Village Infrastructure – will not be pursued in 2017-2018 plan
- Letter from MDC re response to Halcombe submission
  - The letter was too generic
  - HCDG require specific and intelligent communication
  - The letter did not explain 'Next Steps' in the process
- Horizons have not been spoken to re clearing out the Rangitawa Stream

### 3.5 OTHER ITEMS:

- Stanway phone lines have been down every night. No dial tone from 6pm to 2am.
  - Halcombe exchange requires updating
- Old shop next to the old Dairy has had a face lift with the old sign being erected. This looks fantastic and the owners should be praised for taking pride in the history of Halcombe – need to send them a 'Thank You' note.

MDC Action Summary / Status	Transaction #	MDC	Minutes date
<b>Civil Defence strategy:</b> Waiting for some form of communication back from Civil Defence re: the amended Civil Defence community plan Halcombe submitted over 3 years ago.		Civil Defence	Feb 2014
<b>Fire Place in the Halcombe Hall:</b> Awaiting response from MDC. Is it safe / can it be used?		MDC	2016
<b>Payment Option – Capital Connection Fees:</b> Awaiting response from MDC on whether capital connection fees could move to be added to rates and paid back over x number of years?		MDC	Aug 2017
<b>Tarseal between the bottom of Knorp St and the start of Hastings Street:</b> Please can a job be logged for this to be redone as the surface is uneven and dangerous.		MDC/Roading	Sept 2017

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