*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 2 February 2026 7.00 pm**

**PRESENT:** Jeannette Henderson, Maureen Lambert, Faye & Richard Bain, Vicki Powell, Kathy Smith, Peter Beck, Councillor Jerry Pickford, Rachel Mikaera, Kevin King, Andrew Hansen, Helen King, Councillor Alison Short.

1.1 **Apologies:** Barbara Davies**,** Janine Hawthorne

Moved: Kathy Smith Seconded: Faye Bain

**Correspondence** Accepted as read.

In

- 10 Dec – Gems Mason of Ray White – Xmas edition of Halcombe/Stanway Newsletter
- 22 Jan – Halcombe Community Trust response to HCDG's letter of 19 Nov 2025
- 25 Jan – Email from Jerry Pickford re Elections and future meetings
- 30 Jan – Manawatu District News

Out

- 8 Jan – Election info to Halcombe Community
- 21 Jan - Election info to Halcombe Community
- 26 Jan – Response to Jerry Pickford

Moved: Vicki Powell Seconded: Maureen Lambert

**1.2 Confirmation of previous minutes:**

*That the minutes from the previous meeting held on **1 December 2025** be accepted as a true and correct record.*

Moved: Vicki Powell Seconded: Maureen Lambert

**2.0 FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

**2.1 Financial Report**

*That the Financial Reports showing an overall total balance for December of **$21,271.05** and for January 2026 **$21,516.71** be accepted.*

See attached financial report for December and January.

Moved: Faye Bain Seconded: Peter Beck

**2.2 Invoices & Reimbursements Approved for Payment:**

None

**3.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**Council Report:** Jerry Pickford

The first Council meeting for 2026 was held on Wednesday 28 January.

All councillors toured the district looking at all MDC assets.

A 'Water Services' team has been put together between MDC & Horizons and chaired by Colin McFadzean

**4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**4.1 Focus #1 – Walkway and Domain**

- Blackberry popping up everywhere and we really need to address the state of the drain and overgrowth.
- Vicki Powell proposed setting up a 'Friends of the Walkway' where teams can be responsible for a certain section of the Walkway.

**4.2 Focus #2 – Hall**

- Nothing to report

**4.3 Focus #3 – Cenotaph & Recreational Area**

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| • Nothing to report | |

| **4.4 Subprojects** | |
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| **Roading**<br>• Nothing to report<br>**Recycling**<br>• This is generally respected by everyone.<br>**Hall Water**<br>• Nothing to report | |
| **Community get-togethers** | |
| • The ANZAC day committee have had their first meeting to get things underway for the 2026 commemorations. | |
| **Cemetery Land** | |
| • Current stocks are 35 ewes and 53 lambs. It is proposed that 32 of the current lambs will be sold privately for $150 each (no gst). The purchase of troughs and water pipes is proceeding. | |
| **Entrance/Welcome signs** | |
| • The 'event road sign' repairs are still needing to be done. Richard to chase Colin Hirst up about this. | |
| **Communications** | |
| • Facebook page rules are being respected<br>• Alison Short commented that the Halcombe Facebook page is very well run. | |
| **Water Scheme** | |
| • No report | |
| **Halcombe Community Trust (HCT)**<br>• Andrew Hansen reported that the Trust are working with Council, Landowners, Roading and sourcing funding for Safe Walking tracks around Halcombe especially for school children. A crossing point on Halcombe Road has been identified. | |

**4.5 Other General Business**

- Elections were held before this meeting: Jeannette Henderson was voted in as Chair, Faye Bain as Treasurer and Barbara Davies as Minute Secretary. Thank you to Kathy Smith, Peter Beck, Maureen Lambert, Vicki Powell and Richard Bain for their continuing commitment to the group and we welcome Rachel Mikaera and Kevin King to the group.
- Vicki will work on a communication to be sent to all residents re adopting a section of the Walkway. The Community Group will oversee and provide support.
- Sharing Shelves – Nick Beauchamp will redo the signs on the shelves. Jeannette to check the status of Perspex for the shelf doors.

**5.0 COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS**

- See correspondence above

**6.0 OTHER ITEMS**

*Meeting closed at: 8.30*pm

Next meeting: Monday 2nd March 2026 at 7.00pm in the hall

**Actions Points:**

**MDC Funds available to use before 30th June 2026:** Balance is $2,290.25

**Projects identified yet to be actioned by Halcombe & District Community Group**

- Halcombe Open Drains – written to MDC & Horizons
- Halcombe & Districts Re Branding – Replace signs once agreed
- Streetlight on Willoughby Street outside Playcentre – security discussed
- Security cameras – Andrew provided information regarding these
- Levin Street trees removal
- ANZAC WWI solder images to be erected in the hall