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 6 April 2026 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Jeannette Henderson, Maureen Lambert, Faye & Richard Bain, Kathy Smith, Vicki Powell, Councillor Jerry Pickford, Rachel Mikaera, Kevin King, Martin & Manu San Roman

Guests: Colin McFadzean, Mayor Michael Ford, Councillor Alison Short, Councillor Bridget Bell

1.1 **Apologies:** Barbara Davies**,** Peter Beck

Moved: Jeannette Henderson Seconded: Rachel Mikaera

Correspondence and Reports Accepted as read.

In

- 8 Mar – Grant Hasse asking for info about August & Luiza Hasse Halcombe 1876
- 10 Mar – Janine Hawthorne MDC – Final programme for Community Committee Forum
- 11 Mar – Janine Hawthorne MDC – 'Stretching the Oily Rag' initiative
- 15 Mar – The Bains – request for reimbursement of $300 for Great Coats for ANZAC
- 17 Mar – FB – notification of padlocks being cut and sleepers stolen
- 18 Mar – Janine Hawthorne MDC – Notification of her leaving MDC & Holiday programme
- 19 Mar – Gems Mason, Ray White – items for Halcombe/Stanway Newsletter
- 25 Mar – Sherrie Manson MDC – request for Halcombe ANZAC day service
- 30 Mar – Janine Hawthorne MDC – Community Plan returned with changes for review
- 1 Apr – Adie Johansen MDC – Plan for Community support without Janine
- 1 Apr – Weebly – notification of increase charges for next 24 months
- 2 Apr – James Watts, 'InspireNet' – notification of works to install fibre into Halcombe

Out

- 3 Mar – Info on Open Drains sent to Martin
- 4 Mar – Invoice to Stu Adambrook for sale of lambs
- 4 Mar – MDC PO# sent to Nick Beauchamp re Sharing Shelf signs
- 23 Mar – Invitation to Colin McFadzean to attend Halcombe & Districts meeting on 6th April
- 26 Mar – Attending numbers from Halcombe for Community Committee Forum to Janine

Moved: Kevin King Seconded: Vicki Powell

1.2 Confirmation of previous minutes:

*That the minutes from the previous meeting held on **2 March 2026** be accepted as a true and correct record.*

Moved: Maureen Lambert Seconded: Faye Bain

2.0 FINANCIAL BUSINESS

2.1 Financial Report

*That the Financial Reports showing an overall total balance for March 2026 of **$25,722.50** be accepted.*

See attached financial report for February.

Moved: Faye Bain Seconded: Kathy Smith

2.2 Invoices & Reimbursements Approved for Payment:

$394.40 to Jeannette Henderson - Bunting – ANZAC Account

$177.98 to Faye & Richard Bain – Rope, Wire, ties, paint – ANZAC Account

Moved: Maureen Lambert Seconded: Manu San Roman

Unanimously approved

3.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Report: Jerry Pickford

- CEDA, Himitangi and Sports Manawatu 6 monthly presentations delivered to MDC
- Community Plans from new committees presented to MDC
- Agreed Terms of Reference for Manawatu In-house Water Scheme
- Community Committees Forum held Wednesday 4th April

4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Focus #1 – Walkway and Domain

- For the Community Group to be able to support our 'Path Pals' teams we need to purchase some tools and equipment. Vicki Powell to investigate costs and equipment required. Jeannette to write to MDC to ask for a reallocation of Council funds in order to purchase. E.g. hedge trimmer, weed whacker, fadge bags, flax knives, bark.

4.2 Focus #2 – Hall

March

Community Use

Monday 2nd HDCG meeting
Mondays: Kai and Korero for Seniors 10.30 – 2.00
Tuesdays: Yoga, 6.30 - 7.30
Fridays 6-30 ANZAC planning meetings
Friday 13th: Curtain rail between hall and supper room installation
Thursday 18th Tables for field days

April

Community Use

Monday 6th HDCG meeting
Mondays: Kai and Korero for Seniors 10.30 – 2.00
Tuesdays: Yoga, 6.30 - 7.30
Fridays 6-30 ANZAC planning meetings
13 – 17 Hall closed for ANZAC set-up and ANZAC celebrations

Activity

Curtain rail installed
Work has started on installation of lights etc.
2nd April: Building warrant of fitness carried out

4.3 Focus #3 – Cenotaph & Recreational Area	
• Nothing to report	

4.4 Subprojects	
Roading • Nothing to report **Recycling** • This is generally respected by everyone. **Hall Water** • Nothing to report	
Community get-togethers	
• As the Committee do not meet in January and elections were held in February it was felt that we did not have the capacity to organise any community events, apart from ANZAC Day, before end of June. Jeannette to request the funds set aside for these activities be reallocated to the Walkway. • Agreed to organise a Family Summer event in January and a kids event around Easter 2027 (Egg Hunt/Disco)	
Cemetery Land	
• 32 of the current lambs have been sold privately for $150 each • The purchase of troughs and water pipes is proceeding.	
Entrance/Welcome signs	
• The 'event road sign' has been repaired. Thank you Colin Hirst	
Communications	
• Facebook page rules are being respected.	
Water Scheme	
• Local water provider allowed to use Halcombe Water from reservoir. • Old reservoir to be retired. New reservoir to be pressurised.	

• Halcombe targeted as growth area by MDC. Current capacity can deliver to another 50 dwellings.	
Halcombe Community Trust (HCT) • Proposed Walkway around Halcombe Village ongoing.	

4.5 Other General Business

- We welcomed Colin McFadzean, Independent Chair of the New Business Unit for Flood Resilience, to our meeting to give us an update on progress. A working committee has been set up between MDC and Horizons. Part 1 - to create 3 retention ponds in Halcombe area, construction is planned for Oct 2026. Part 2 - working with Horizons on clearing of Rangitawa stream and open drains in the Halcombe area.
  Stormwater pipes along Mt Biggs/Halcombe Road to connect to Feilding ongoing 2026/27.
- We also welcomed Mayor Michael to our meeting. He informed us of the tsunami of changes from Central Gov't that MDC needs to deal with. The big 3 are 'Local Water Done Well', Urban development (Classes 1,2 & 3 soils), Earthquake prone buildings
- Sharing Shelves – Nick Beauchamp has redone 1 of the signs for the shelves. Jeannette to chase up Perspex for the shelf doors.
- MDC Community Funds – discussed reallocation of funds. All Spending needs to be locked in by end April.
- Community Committees Forum – 5 of us attended this forum. Informative and good idea sharing with other committees.

5.0 COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

- See correspondence above

6.0 OTHER ITEMS

*Meeting closed at: 8.23*pm

Next meeting: Monday 4th May 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
- Levin Street trees removal
- ANZAC WWI soldier images to be erected in the hall