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 1 September 2025 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Jeanette Henderson, Maureen Lambert, Barbara Davies**,** Peter Beck, Faye & Richard Bain, Vicki Powell, Colin McFadzean, Kathy Smith, Helen King

1.1 **Apologies:** Chloe Dodunski,

Moved: Maureen Lambert Seconded: Faye Bain

Correspondence Accepted as read.

In

- 7 Aug – Helen King MDC – Community Committee Bulletin
- 13 Aug – Kirk Townson – Apology for Meet the Candidate evening Wed 3rd Sept 2025
- 18 Aug – Lindsey Robinson (Comms & Engagement Mgr MDC) – Signs and History Board info.
- 29 Aug – Helen King MDC – Confirming Community Elections before end Feb 2026

Out

- 8 Aug – Invitation to all confirmed candidates MDC & HRC for Halcombe Meet the Candidate evening
- 11 Aug – Receipts for Teddy Bears Picnic sent to Helen King

Moved: Richard Bain Seconded: Faye Bain

1.2 Confirmation of previous minutes:

*That the minutes from the previous meeting held on **4 August 2025** be accepted as a true and correct record.*

Moved: Maureen Lambert Seconded: Peter Beck

1.3 Matters Arising – Street Light outside Playcentre & Gravel roads in the area – apply via Antenno with photos

2.0 FINANCIAL BUSINESS

2.1 Financial Report

*That the Financial Report showing an overall total balance of **$26,078.81** as of 31 August 2025 be accepted.*

See attached financial report for August.

Review HCDG Financial policy at next meeting – Faye to circulate

Moved: Faye Bain Seconded: Barb Davies

Community Fund - Jeannette Henderson to write to HCT re available funds

2.2 Invoices & Reimbursements Approved for Payment August:

Approved unanimously via email

3.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Report: Councillor Colin McFadzean

- Local Water Done Well – submitted
- Open letter to the Government from Mayor Helen – sent
- Planning function on hold from Central Government
- Feilding Flood resilience fund may be available for Halcombe – Colin to get more info. Horizons have suggested a committee be formed to look at the Halcombe issue.
- The Coach House Museum has been purchased by Council

4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Focus #1 – Walkway and Domain

- Thank you to Green by Nature for completing the edging along the walkway – we need to set a date to move the crusher dust along the path. Probably early October

4.2 Focus #2 – Hall

Community Use

Mondays: 6-7am Boot Camp, 2nd 6.30 HCDG Meeting
Tuesdays: Kai and Korero for Seniors 10.30 – 2.00, Yoga, 6.30 - 7.30
Thursdays: 6.00 - 7.00am Boot Camp, 6.00 – 7.30pm Dance Fit
Monday 7th 6.30pm HCDG meeting
Saturday 16th tablecloths etc for Tavern Quiz night
Saturday 19th Mid-Winter Dinner (booking Friday 18 – Sunday 20)

Paid Use

August 1st – 3rd Novice Tour $250 + $50 cleaning
4th 6.30 HCDG
9th 11.00- 4.00 Birthday cash $80.00
23rd 9.00 -5.00 Moa Harriers $100 + $50 cleaning
28th 11.30 – 4.30 Beef and Lamb chairs koha
30th 10.00-5.00 Donna birthday $75.00

September Bookings

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Monday 1st 6.30pm HCDG meeting
Wednesday 3rd 6 -10.00pm Meet the Candidate Meeting

Paid Use

Sunday 21st- Tuesday 23rd Baradine College/Bike Manawatu

Activity

New kitchen zip installed (thanks MDC)
Discussions re water supply ongoing (see Richard's report)
Some issues with heaters, checking

4.3 Focus #3 – Cenotaph & Recreational Area

- Nothing to report

4.4 Subprojects

Roading

- With this wet weather, we are assuming that some of the gravel roads will need to be looked at again by MDC contractors. One area of lower Kimber St. that a heavy vehicle has gone into the water table (drain along the edge of the road) and sunk deeply. It has been coned off for quite some time now.

Hall car park up upgrade

- The new drain in front of the old fire station is working well, and the car park drains its water well. There are a couple of things needed to finish off this area and around behind the old fire station and will be done in due course as time allows.

Recycling

- This is generally respected by everyone. There is, however, the odd one who finds that the items they want to put in the container won't fit through the hole so instead of taking them away to deal with, they sadly leave them beside the container for someone else to sort out.

Hall Water

- Talking with Trevor Hendra (MDC contractor) about how the future hall water supply might look, firstly around water pressure and secondly building in some security in the case of emergencies.

Community get-togethers

- Meet the Candidate – Wednesday 3rd Sept at 7pm

Cemetery Land	
• Things are looking good. • Need a float of about $7k for troughs.	
Entrance/Welcome signs	
• The 'event road sign' repairs are still needing to be done. Richard to chase Colin Hirst up about this.	
Communications	
• Halcombe Happenings – Fourth edition will be circulated mid-October • Facebook page rules are being respected	
Water Scheme	
• Halcombe Water Scheme is not permitted to hold any funds.	
Halcombe Community Trust (HCT) • No report submitted	

4.5 Other General Business

- Hosting of a 'Meet the Candidate' event at Halcombe Hall – Meet at 2pm to set up hall. Need sound system, flowers, biscuits.
- Funding Forum – Faye attended and has submitted information
- The kitchen ZIP has been replaced. Trevor Hendra installed.
- History Boards - Maureen reported on progress of other boards. Helen King will investigate extending funding criteria. Peter queried the longevity of the signs & inquired where information is stored. Maureen to enquire.
- Sharing Shelves – look at installing perspex sliding doors to protect books.
- Web page - Maureen reported on photos from the Managh family. Don Otter is scanning /filing the photos which can be placed on the Halcombe web page. School jubilee books have been compiled from Halcombe Happenings from Mrs Managh.
- Contingency planning for water for hall - General discussion. Helen suggested meeting with James Adamson. Maureen suggested we renew kitchen tapware and under sink cylinder. Richard to coordinate meeting with James.

5.0 COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

- See correspondence above

6.0 OTHER ITEMS

Meeting closed at: 8.15pm

Next meeting: Monday 6th October 2025 at 7.00pm in the hall

Actions Points:

- Gravel on rural roads – take pictures and submit via Antenno
- Streetlight outside Playcentre – take pictures and submit via Antenno
- Discuss emergency water supply and generator with MDC once all factors known
- Halcombe Open Drains – HCDG to continue conversations with both Horizon & MDC to resolve

MDC Funds available to use before 30th June 2026:

- Funds approved – balance is $3,006.06

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

- Halcombe & Districts Re Branding – Replace signs once agreed
- Streetlight on Willoughby Street outside Playcentre - security
- Security cameras? – security issues
- Levin Street trees removal
- ANZAC WWI solder images to be erected in the hall