



*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 December 2021 7pm

PRESENT: Jeanette Henderson (Chair), Barbara Davies, Peter Beck, Richard Bain, Maureen Lambert, Cr Stewart Campbell, Alex Short, Rachel Lane, Vicki Powell,

1.1 Apologies: Annie, Alex

(Moved: Maureen Seconded: Jeannette)

1.2 Correspondence

- Carl Johnstone (MDC) asking for confirmation of hall and playcentre colour
- Lantern Festival entertainers' email – check out John Martin's balloons - JH
- Youth Expo info – now Feb 2022
- 3 Waters Taxpayer Union petition
- Burial site inquiry

1.3 Confirmation of previous minutes:

That the minutes from the previous meeting held on 8 November 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record.

1.4 Matters Arising from 8 November 2021 minutes:

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| • Cost for fencing amended \$1,115.00 | • |
| • Christmas Nativity budget \$500. | • Maureen / Jeanette |
| • Nativity: Saturday & Sunday nights. Meet 2pm Friday to decorate hall | |
| • Hall & Playcentre painting in this year's budget | • |
| • Phone book to complete in 2022 | |
| • Happy in Halcombe. Rachel to approach Bex to suggest that H in H come under the umbrella of HCDG. That the HCDG support the principle of Happy in Halcombe. Events merchandise ideas to be presented to HCDG for budgeting purposes or funding. | |
| • Discussion on Lantern Festival. To include some entertainment is too expensive | |
| • Three Water Reform. Advertising to be left to individuals. | |
| • Burial site inquiry Maureen to fine IWI contact. | |

2.0 FINANCIAL BUSINESS

2.1 Financial Report

That the Financial Report showing an overall total balance of \$22,448.49 as at 30th November 2021 be accepted.

See attached Financial report for payments made and received in November. (Moved: Maureen Seconded: Jeannette)

2.2 Invoices for approval:

- \$2,162.00 – fencing cemetery land
- \$1,115.75 – materials for fencing cemetery land (most of the line was donated by TPSNZ/Turner's subdivision. This meant the whole project came in well under the \$6k budget
- A budget has been agreed for the Nativity Play of \$500. This will include purchasing some microphones with built in speakers

3.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Report: Stuart Campbell

- Resource Recovery Centre is now open in Kawakawa Rd. Council working on waste reduction
- Presentation on effects of forestry on communities
- Councillor Hilary Humphreys to retire from February 2022

4.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Focus #1 – Walkway and Domain (Vicki)

- A 'Dog Door' sign has been attached under the other sign at the Stanway end of the Walkway.
- White carpet roses around Cynthia's seat are growing well and flowering, thanks to Maureen for the roses.
- Walkway in general is looking good.

4.2 Focus #2 – Hall (Maureen)

Activity: An issue related to hall hire: A small group of children who were part of the group who hired the hall for a child's birthday party were found in the playcentre. When asked to leave, they did. However, two of the older members returned and abused The Cleaner who was cleaning the playcentre at the time, which was very unpleasant. The person who hired the hall on behalf of HCDG and the Play Centre was emailed. This is only the second time people who have hired the hall have climbed into the playcentre since I have been looking after the hall, but it is unacceptable. We spoke with the playcentre, and we have come up with the following suggestions: The playcentre will put private property notices on the fence in the car park. The playcentre will be notified when the hall has been booked so they can lock the gates and put away the gear. A notice will put up in the hall that the playcentre is private property. A copy of our terms of hire has been given to the playcentre, and we have marked where we could perhaps be more explicit about the playcentre rather than 'neighbours'. The playcentre to ring if there are problems so that we can go down and talk to the person who has hired the hall. The playcentre are discussing these at their meeting as well.

Hall Maintenance: Richard has carried out maintenance in the kitchen, including fixing the stoves so they can't tip. Grant Joule has fixed the blown fuse (free) He suggested we may be overloading the circuit having the stoves, pie warmer and fridge all together, and should look at putting some on the other wall. Hugh Lintott has done repairs to the roof and guttering over the storeroom. These are band aids and won't fix it completely. Hugh also donated his old ladder to the hall. This has been very useful.

Hall Additional Note - Playcentre is going to be painted this year and Hall next year. Need to approve paint colours. ***Do we make it the same colour as the school?*** (I will bring paint samples)

Correspondence In and Out

Email to hall hirer re behaviour at the playcentre. No reply.
MDC – rang to get clarification on gatherings in hall under the Covid traffic light system

Rachel to send around paint samples

<p>Bookings for December:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yoga Thursdays 6.30 – 7.30 Wet weather venue for boot camp – Tuesdays & Thursday Wednesday 1 Regenerative Ag group Saturday 4 Mingle and Jingle – female get together booked Friday to Sunday Sunday 5 Nativity/carols practise Monday 6 HCDG 6.30pm Saturday 11 Christmas carols/nativity booked Friday-Sunday Sunday 12 Wet weather Play Centre Christmas party 	
<p>Discussion/Activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursdays: Yoga 6.30 -7.30 Monday 1 HCDG Tuesday 28 HCT AGM Wet weather venue for boot camp – Tuesdays & Thursday <p>Paid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday 6 child’s birthday party \$50.00 Sunday 7, 14 & 21 Gospel Group \$90.00 	

<p>4.3 Focus #3 – Cenotaph & Recreational Area (Rachel/Maureen)</p>	
<p>Picnic Tables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DONE!! Wahoo! Looking great. I have had someone ask if we could get a rubbish bin at the Monteith Street end? <p>Information Boards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emailed Kayla MDC - she has not started on the rail board yet but will have something to me before the end of the year. 	

4.3 Subprojects

<p>Roading (Richie)</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action has been taken on current outstanding roading issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

<p>Community get-togethers</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mingle and Jingle – awesome. Just shy of 50 ladies came along 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds raised to ‘Dress For Success’ charity in PN.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Nativity Play/Carols - We have had a hugely positive response from the kids. 60 turned up initially to be part of it! Some have dropped off, but we will have just over 40 kids participating so we are determined that it will go ahead and be a success despite the extra challenges that have come with the traffic light system!! To get around the number restrictions of the traffic light system, we looked at running it in the Domain, however getting sound equipment to work would be a nightmare and cost prohibitive. We got a quote for sound from Fauldings for running it in the Hall and it was \$1700+GST - so that's a no go either! I have managed to borrow a sound amp and 2 microphones from a friend, plus we have the HCDG one (the microphone needs new batteries) and I'd also like permission to purchase some karaoke microphones with built in speakers (4 or 5 at approx. \$40 each). We are determined for this to go ahead and to be as inclusive as possible. In order to not require vaccine passports, we will need to run it over 2 nights (Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th) - 50 people over 12 years old per night. We will need to do tickets for each night (\$0) to keep an eye on numbers. Wondering about supper and sausages?? Maybe we only do sausages for the kids who will arrive earlier than 6pm and a small supper (some biscuits and a slice per 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed to Nativity over two nights. Feed the kids with sausages before the start. Bring a plate – shared supper Budget of \$500 agreed Check Vax passes on entry

<i>night)??</i> Other costs will be some cardboard for stars, tinsel for angels, paper plates for sheep and animal masks and printing of song sheets.	
• ANZAC Day 2022 - 26 addition crosses needing to be made in the New Year. Richard has made up a jig for the assembling.	•

Cemetery Land (Rachel)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fencing dividing back paddock has been completed. Looking great and way under budget! Just need to install the back paddock trough. Lambs finally starting to grow but Kellie thistles have caused some scabby mouth. Lambs have all been dagged so ready to go once at a decent weight. Ewes will get shorn soon (when we do ours). Fertiliser - I haven't actioned this as yet. I'm wondering if we do some soil samples to see why the grass is so poor there and then look at what action to take then? Will purchase replacements off Carl and Lucy in the new year. Have finally got hold of someone to spray the gorse! Will get a quote this week. 	•

Entrance/Welcome signs (Richie)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 'Welcome' sign on Feilding side of town needs repairing as the posts are loose in the ground due to the wind pressure which has caused the frame to wrack and come apart on one side. This is on my radar to do in the new year. I've not put much thought towards what can be done to decorate the cenotaph for Christmas. I'm open to thoughts from the team. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a HCDG project to complete

Phone books	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sorry! I dropped the ball with proof reading this. Could we please put this on ice until the New Year as amongst other things I need to invoice a whole of the people who have advertised as I didn't have them on my list? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete 2022

4.5 Other General Business

Recycling	All has been mostly tidy this month although again a little naughtiness was dealt with. I also hear that the community is looking out for to keep the recycling clear of non-recyclable dumping by lazy people by taking it on themselves to remove such things.
Facebook	The Facebook page is going well as a community communication outlet. Most people are using the visitor page to post their own message, which is far more manageable than having to edit and copy and paste messages. The page insights data is saying from 4 Nov to 1 Dec reached 4,588 and post engagements was 6,580. Not sure what the relevance is but sounds impressive.
Dip Track	No update

5.0 COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

6.0 OTHER ITEMS

Richard proposed a vote of thanks to Rachel & Jeanette We all shared a Christmas platter.
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Meeting closed 9.00 pm