



Martinborough Town Hall Working Group

Minutes
4 September 2013

Present: Cr Max Stevens (Chairperson), Victoria Read, Ian Cresswell, Cr Julie Riddell, Winifred Bull.

In attendance: Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary).

Conduct of Business: The meeting was held in the South Wairarapa District Council Chambers at 19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough between 6:30pm and 7:40pm.

1. APOLOGIES

MTHWG RESOLVED (MTHWG2013/15) to receive apologies from Mary Smith, David Kershaw, Jim Clark and Ann Brodie.

(Moved Cr Stevens/Seconded Read)

Carried

2. MINUTES/FINANCES

2.1 MTHWG Minutes for confirmation

MTHWG RESOLVED (MTHWG2013/16) that the minutes of the Martinborough Town Hall Working Group meeting held on the 31 July 2013 be received and confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Riddell/Seconded Cresswell)

Carried

2.2 Matters Arising

Cr Stevens advised that Eastern Consulting Ltd had inspected the Martinborough Town Hall following the recent earthquakes and had submitted a report to Council. There was minor damage to the Hall, however it was not significant enough to be structural and the Hall structural condition is unchanged. Eastern Consulting had advised that the lean-to could be contributing to back wall strength and should not be removed.

2.3 Action Items From Previous Meeting

Action items were discussed and updates provided. Cr Stevens undertook to locate files relating to the Town Hall so they could be archived.

2.4 Finances

The Working Group reviewed the finances as provided.

3. WORKSHOP WITH SGL GROUP

Cr Stevens thanked Ms Read for organising the 29th and 30th August workshops and thanked those who attended. The tour of events centres, conferencing and wedding venues in the area was successful and helped determine how the Town Hall should be developed and marketed. Cr Stevens suggested a presentation be made to the Maori Standing Committee.

MTHWG NOTED:

1. Action 628: Draft a list of potential philanthropic leaders and businesses who have the ability to make a gift to the refurbishment of the Hall. The list is to be made available to SGL Group before their next visit on the 26th and 27th September; Ian Cresswell, Ro Griffiths and David Kershaw

4. MARTINBOROUGH TOWN HALL CONCEPT PLAN

SGL Group had provided an initial master plan for discussion which was to be forwarded to members. Members asked that SGL Group be asked to provide items for discussion in advance of workshops. Comments on the plans should be forwarded to Cr Stevens.

MTHWG NOTED:

1. Action 629: Forward email from SGL Group to members; Cr Stevens

5. MARTINBOROUGH JAZZ FESTIVAL

Mr Cresswell reported that the Martinborough Jazz Festival was very successful with performers praising the Hall as a venue and the sound quality. A jazz event will be run as part of the Kokomai Festival in October.

6. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Mrs Bull reported that another article had been printed in the Martinborough Star. The Working Group discussed the use of photos for future articles.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Members discussed the role of the focus group that had been put together to assist SGL Group with Town Hall development and agreed that it was advisory in nature and decisions and recommendations to Council were made by the MTHWG.