

**Minutes of the Piha Ratepayers and Residents Association  
Committee Meeting held at 7:30 pm on  
7 December 2017 at Barnett Hall, Piha**

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**Present:** Ken Cowan, Henneke Bouchier, Anna Comrie-Thomson, Graeme Carrie, Jonathan Green, Blair Samuels

**Apologies:**

Nicola Legat, Bruce Middleton, Graham Cleghorn

**Open Forum:**

Nobody was present for the open forum.

**Elected Representative:**

Sandra Coney of the Waitakere Ranges Local Board was present.

- 1) South Beach Toilets: Council took almost a week to respond to toilets not operating. Temporary Portaloos now in place. \$85K budgeted for upgrade awaiting action from AC Community Facilities Dept. Sandra will advise whom to address with R&R letter .
- 2) General Maintenance: Now done by UMS (Contractor.) Sandra to advise addressee for communication from R&R.
- 3) Summer Ranger: Appointed – Phoebe Munroe from Karekare, as last two years.
- 4) Freedom Camping: Problem rising again. WRLB will try to stir AC and AT into some action.
- 5) Piha Lagoon Pollution: Now under Healthy Waters at AC. Piha SLSC objecting to process that includes “Safe Swimming” signs.
- 6) Kauri Dieback: Resolution regarding closing of Waitakere Ranges on Sandra’s website.

**MINUTES OF THE 1 DECEMBER 2017 COMMITTEE MEETING**

***RESOLUTION 1***

**That the minutes of the 5 November 2017 meeting be confirmed.**

**CARRIED**

**Hanneke Bouchier/Graeme Carrie**

**Matters Arising**

1. Sandra to identify AC staff responsible for lagoon water quality. **See 5) above**
2. Erosion of creek bank behind Art Gallery. Morphum reports tabled. Consultation expected after Christmas
3. Jonathan to follow up on completion of footpath and bollards. **J. Still pushing**
4. Metrix gift card to Fiona at campground as thanks for use of wifi. **Action/Ken**
- 5.

### **Correspondence**

Inward and outward correspondence has been circulated through the DropBox.

### ***RESOLUTION 2***

**That the correspondence inward be endorsed and outward accepted.**

**CARRIED**

**Jonathan Green/ Hanneke Bouchier**

### **Financial Report**

Graham Cleghorn prepared and Dropboxed the financial report, transactions for endorsement, and accounts for approval.

### ***RESOLUTION 3***

**That the financial report for November be received, transactions endorsed and accounts for payment as tabled be approved, with the addition of PO services Invoice for Marit Larson \$331.50**

**CARRIED**

**Jonathan Green/ Hanneke Bouchier**

### ***RESOLUTION 4***

**That the Annual Accounts for YE Oct. 31, 2017 as tabled, be endorsed and are recommended for approval by the AGM.**

**CARRIED**

**Hanneke Bouchier/ Anna Comrie- Thomson**

### **Library Report.**

Ken and Hanneke discussed the pending meeting next Tuesday with Council Leasing, Council Legal staff, WRLB members and the Library Trust. Content of the Agenda received raises some concerns, but the intent is a little unclear. We are hopeful of a positive outcome and that we may have a good report for the AGM.

### **Post Office Report**

Ken Cowan presented the Post Office Report. Painting of the building has been completed and invoices paid. Postmistress Chris Warman has been on vacation for two weeks and has been relieved by Marit Larson. Box fees are being received along with some cancellations and some new renters.

### **Water Quality Report**

Graeme Carrie presented the Water Quality report and shared a proposed letter to Councillor Penny Hulse with copies to key Government and council members and this was approved. General discussion regarding on-going testing by Council and/or R&R and what we might do to raise further awareness of the problem with a view to achieving some action.

**Community Hui**

1. Discussion of community hui has been put off to next meeting.

**Website/Facebook**

1. Quote for website designer to update website. Ken and Randall to agree a list of modifications required as a precursor to obtaining pricing.

**General Business**

1. Local Heroes: Anna has made no further progress as unsure of how to proceed but happy to do so as strategy and plan emerge. It was agreed that we should include an announcement of the Local Heroes' award in the Presidents presentation at the AGM.
2. Piha Road: Jonathan advised that an upgrade of Piha Road was being planned for first quarter of 2018. Agree we need to pursue some level of local community consultation prior to the initiation of works.
3. MoE land: A meeting has been held a prelude to formation of a legal entity to manage and develop the MoE land purchased by Council. Ken and Hanneke are involved and will continue in that role.

**There being no further general business the meeting closed at 9:20 pm.**

**Signed**

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**Ken Cowan, President**