

**Minutes of the Piha Ratepayers and Residents Association
Committee Meeting held at 7:30 pm on 2 March 2018 at Barnett Hall, Piha**

Present: Ken Cowan, Hanneke Bouchier, Graeme Carrie, Bruce Middleton, Graham Cleghorn, Jonathan Green

Apologies: Randall Morton, Bruce Middleton, Nicola Legat, Anna Comry-Thomson, Blair Samuels, Jeff Calvert

Open Forum:

Nobody was present for the open forum.

Elected Representative:

Sandra Coney was not present.

MINUTES OF THE 6 FEBRUARY 2018 COMMITTEE MEETING

RESOLUTION 1

That the minutes of the 6 February 2018 meeting be confirmed.

CARRIED

Hanneke Bouchier/Jonathan Green

Matters Arising

- 1. Completion of footpath behind bollards. Jonathan - still in hand with Fulton Hogan.**
- 2. AT - Repairs to road on Piha Hill. Vicki Daley, postponed till new financial year but this calendar year.**
- 3. AT - To be asked to assess Piha and Forest Hill Roads for vehicle size against road width. No further action.**
- 4. Public address system options. Anna not present.**
- 5. Civil Defence options for Piha. Bruce & Nicola not present.**

Correspondence

Inward and outward correspondence has been circulated through the DropBox.

RESOLUTION 2

That the correspondence inward be received and outward endorsed.

CARRIED

Graeme Carrie/ Graham Cleghorn

Financial Report

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

The new signatory documentation for G. Carrie for the R&R bank accounts were completed by G. Cleghorn, K. Cowan and G. Carrie.

RESOLUTION 3

That the financial report for February be received, transactions endorsed and accounts for payment as tabled be approved.

CARRIED

Graham Cleghorn/ Hanneke Bouchier

Library Report.

The draft deeds of Lease and Sublease have been prepared by Auckland Council and were to be accepted by the R&R and Library Trust by 2nd March. R&R have accepted both documents following one change to head lease but Library Trust have been granted an extension till March 5th. Assuming Library Trust acceptance, Deeds will go to WRLB for acceptance and signing should be prior to March 31st.

Post Office Report

Currently 67 paid box holder and 51 outstanding. Discussion on possibility of adding penalty next November. Ken C. noted need for repair to main earth connection.

Water Quality Report

Graeme Carrie outlined the details of the proposed Ecoli testing to be undertaken by himself and Dave Bryant. The required equipment was approved in Financial report. Intention is to record results against dates in conjunction with specific weather and tide patterns. This will reinforce arguments for periodic manual flushing of the lagoon when required.

Website/Facebook

Expertise in minor repairs and alterations to the website is required. Ken and Randall to identify specific changes that are required.

General Business

1. Local Heroes Awards – No report on progress from Anna.
2. MoE Land – It has been agreed to form a Trust with each of the five parties, (R&R, Protect Piha Heritage, Piha Kids Trust, West Coast Gallery and Coast Care,) each nominating one Trustee, plus two additional Trustees. As Council requires Lease of Old Schoolhouse within 18 months of their purchase it has been agreed that Gallery will take an interim Lease of the Building which will default the Trust when formed. Remaining land will be under and Licence to Occupy.
3. Boardwalk, Eel Bridge to beach – Urgent maintenance required to replace broken and damaged boards. Letter to be sent to AC.
4. Piha Beach toilets – Notice received today that work is about to commence.
5. Piha Road Lookout – Dangerous crossing of road by cars coming up hill and crossing with no vision of on-coming traffic becoming prevalent. Letter to be sent t AT.

6. Building adjacent to Piha SLSC – Very dilapidated condition not acceptable. Letter to be sent to AC.
7. Building and Resource Consents in Piha – Due largely to the Unitary Plan SEA designations, consents are costing up to \$100K and taking excessive times. As a result landowners are choosing to build without consent and apply retrospectively. Letter to be written to Council with copy to Government Department.
8. Auckland Council are currently Asking for submissions on numerous issues.
 - Special Rates for Kauri Dieback & Improved Water Quality
 - 10 Year Budget 2018-2028 with Eight different topics
 - Regional Fuel Tax
 - Water Quality
 - Kauri Dieback
 - General Rates Increase
 - Taxing Online Accommodation providers
 - Local Board priorities
 - Waste Management and Minimisation
9. Discussion was held on meeting times, etc. to accommodate and/or encourage new committee members, including the possibility of alternating between Fridays and weekdays

Next meeting will 7:30 pm on Friday 6 April at Barnett Hall unless advised otherwise.

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 9:05 pm

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Ken Cowan, President