

**Minutes of the Piha Ratepayers and Residents Association  
Committee Meeting held at 7:30 pm on 7 June 2019 at Barnett Hall, Piha**

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1. Attending: Ken Cowan(KC), Hanneke Bouchier(HB), Graham Cleghorn(GC) (via skype), Graeme Carrie(GBC), Anna Comrie-Thomson(AC), Mike Hales(MH), Randall Morton(RM).
2. Apologies : Warren Smith, James Dickenson. **Apologies Accepted.**
3. Open Forum: No attendance.
4. Elected Representatives: Sandra Coney
  - Large International Surfing event planned at Piha for March 2020. Need to consider implications for transport/ catering/ accommodation.
  - Auckland Council (ACC): – number of recycling bins will now be limited to 2 for each site (including RSA/ store/ surf club etc). WRLB will pay for added cost of collections in excess of 2 bins.
  - Auckland Transport (AT) plan to insert flashing lights at scenic drive/west coast road junction.
  - ACC: Stormwater drain has been cleared from upper portion of Piha Road. Piha Road project, there will be public consultation. Pedestrian access along Piha road is unsatisfactory between Pendrell Road and Beach Valley road. Needs attention.
  - ACC: The park boardwalk has been restored/repared and weeds proximal to it will be removed.
  - ACC: Park seat has been modified, but still not properly restored.
  - ACC: Emergency Management program of the Council has been dismantled. That is a concern for management of future flooding.
  - ACC: It is accepted that work will be maintained to keep Piha stream clear. Good work by GBC.
  - In ACC Streetscape greenways plan was mentioned by KC; areas of responsibility are not clearly defined. John Cranfield is the one responsible for all Facilities management. Jodie Webb responsible for walkways.

**Action: ACC Community Facilities Dept (Jodie Webb) to be contacted by GBC, regarding parks and walkways.**

5. Minutes from R&R Committee meetings of 3rd April and 6 May 2019:  
Noted: HB and RM not actually present at the May meeting.

**RESOLUTION 1 : That the minutes of the April and May 2018 meetings be confirmed, noting correction of attendance.**

**CARRIED..... Hanneke Bouchier/Anna Comrie-Thomson**

6. Matters Arising
  - Letter sent to Ritchies re compliance and incidents – No response
  - Sign re petrol availability at Piha to be erected **GBC/KC**

7. Inward and Outward Correspondence

**RESOLUTION 2: That the correspondence inward be received and outward endorsed.**

**CARRIED..... G Carrie/ G Cleghorn**

8. Financial Report
  - Graham Cleghorn – Monthly reports & approval of accounts for payment.
  - Statement shows budget inline with projected. Strong financial status with good cash flow.
  - Post-office sales satisfactory.
  - **Accountability report to Trusts Community Foundation:** has been completed; yet to be signed,

**RESOLUTION 3:** That the financial report for May be received, transactions endorsed, and accounts for payment, as tabled, be approved.

**CARRIED .....** .Graham Cleghorn / Hanneke Bouchier

**9. Library Report**

- 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary function, 2:00 pm Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. MH reports plans are on track.

**10. Post Office Report**

- Two post-office boxes available. Three new subscribers have registered.
- About 18 PO Box subscribers still not financial. AC recommends that in future we pursue/ remind subscribers before the end of the year.

**Action: Committee to follow this up in November**

**11. Water Quality Report**

- Graeme Carrie reports that a **community strategy** has been pursued, employing discussions with Groups and individuals. Objections to the plans for the sand dune to be managed in order to keep the lagoon open are being resolved. Credit to GBC.
- Healthy Waters: ACC has agreed to conduct regular formal testing of the lagoon status in relation to weather and lagoon is opening. GBC to be furnished with apparatus for testing.
- Between 100-200 m<sup>3</sup> of sand would need to be shifted; a small digger should suffice.

**12. WRLB Matters**

- Septic Tank Pump-out: Piha requires special consideration, being different from most other rural areas (except maybe Waiheke): how ACC will manage/ apply the budget for this program is not clear.
- Repairs to bench seat next to lagoon are inadequate repairs
- Surf School Parking in lot by Piha SLSC.

**Action: KC to notify ACC (Jodie Webb)**

**Action: KC to address before summer.**

**13. Auckland Transport matters:**

- Piha Road project: Pedestrian access is unsatisfactory between Pendrell Road and Beach Valley road needs attention. Marine Parade - roadside lakes need attention.

**Action: ACC Community Facilities Dept (Jodie Webb) to be contacted by KC.**

**14. Combined R&R Matters**

- No notable new activity.

**15. MoE Land**

- Report by Hanneke on current status.

**16. Website/Facebook**

- Mike and James: Survey monkey project to be pursued when James returns.

**17. General Business**

- Committee responsibilities - Recruitment in all area for next year for succession planning.  
**Action: Use proposed Survey to promote new Committee members/ office bearers.**
- Sylvan Glade – Overhead gondola rail project has been proposed. This concept plan should require public notification as it involves public land.  
**Action: Letter to be written to the architect, seeking information about notification plans.**
- Domain Roadway edges need repair  
**Action: ACC Community Facilities Dept (Jodie Webb) to be contacted by KC.**

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Next Meeting; Friday, July 5, 2019 7:30 pm.