

## Normandale Residents Association

Minutes from Committee Meeting held at St.Aidan's on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017 commencing 7.30pm.

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<b>Present:</b>	Paul Caygill (Chair), Robyn Caygill, Margaret Cousins, Grant Roberts, Sandie Matcham, Pete Matcham					
<b>Apologies:</b>	Penny McColl					
<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</b>	Minutes of meeting of December 2016 had been circulated electronically and were approved  Grant expressed apologies for missing previous meeting.	Paul/Robyn				
<b>Matters Arising:</b>	There were none.					
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Treasurers report for January 2017  As at the end of January the bank balances were:  <table><tr><td><b>Current account Westpac</b></td><td>\$1,600.08</td></tr><tr><td><b>Rabo Savings account</b></td><td>\$9,276.19</td></tr></table> Income included: \$105.00 from advertising \$5.00 from subscriptions \$22.58 interest  Expenditure: \$200.78 Christmas sweets \$50.00 donation for use of hall \$1,999.73 inorganic collection expenses  Households subscribed: 75	<b>Current account Westpac</b>	\$1,600.08	<b>Rabo Savings account</b>	\$9,276.19	Robyn/Sandie
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<b>Correspondence:</b>	Email to Jez Partridge in relation to inorganic rubbish collection. No reply as at the time of the meeting.  Updates from Predator-Free Normandale group. Information only.  Updates from Juanita McKenzie. Information only  Maungaraki Scout Group re advert in Normandale Times.					
<b>General Business:</b>						
<b>Predator Free Normandale</b>	Stuart Reid is organising for Normandale. Kelvin Hastie from Crofton Downs Predator Free committee had reported that traps on the periphery were still catching pests, but in the centre of the area they are targeting were now clear. Normandale has funding from HCC for traps. Some are being put near individual homes, others in general area. Janet Lawson is volunteer co-ordinator from HCC.  Eastbourne is to start their own Predator Free group. Maungaraki is considering starting their own group.  WRC is in the maintenance phase of their possum baiting programme.					
<b>Damage</b>	A car was broken into by St. John's steps. Appeared that someone had been waiting for the opportunity.					

<b>Youth development</b>	<p>Ignite Sport have a 'Youth Development through sport' programme. We should let them know about the Jubilee Park equipment.</p>
<p><b>Action:</b> Paul will do article for Hutt News  Paul will write to sports club with information – should be able to get details from council web site for committees and/or groups</p>	
<b>Western Ward Committee</b>	<p>The council have dis-continued the Ward Community Committees. HCC's idea is to make the equivalent money available to community groups. To appoint panels of councillors and community reps.</p> <p>Main issues seen with that approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The supposition is that the consultative role will be replaced by council officers. Concern that most do not understand the layout or nature of communities in the Western Ward.</li> <li>• Hubs work well in dense urban environments, but not in a spread out rural area as in the Western Ward.</li> <li>• This would essentially remove more responsibility from the elected and appointed members to the officers.</li> </ul> <p>As regards consultation, neither Margaret (councillor) nor the NRA have heard anything.</p> <p>Max Shierlaw has found an on-line survey form, but this has not been circulated to groups or individuals.</p> <p>Possible option to amalgamate the Western and Central wards, but this did not work before.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Paul to email Mayor for more information</p>
<b>Obituaries</b>	<p>We should put obituaries for Nancy Phillips and John Latimer in the Normandale Times. Both were long-standing stalwarts of the area and passed away late last year.</p>

Meeting closed 8:30