

Annual General Meeting 2011
Normandale Residents Association

Notes from the annual general meeting held Wednesday 15th June 2010 at St.Aidan's on the Hill.
Commencing 7.30p.m.

Present:, Pete Matcham (chair), Max Shierlaw, Margaret Cousins, David & Kate Osborne, Rachel Linkhorn, Robyn Caygill, Paul Caygill, Grant Roberts, Juanita McKenzie, Sally Selwood, Nick Kile, Peter Dunne, Caroline Dunbar,

Apologies: Mel Galletly, Lisa O'Leary, John Latimer, Des Dunbar.

Welcome: to everyone from Pete.

Notes: for A.G.M. meeting Friday 18th June 2010 read orally and agreed as correct. *Pete/Margaret*

President's Report: Pete had typed copies of his report for everyone present to read for themselves.

He mentioned briefly:-

- Poto Road and its plan change. The area is now zoned 'general residential' by HCC. Verbal agreement has been given to Pete re height of buildings i.e., the skyline, and a Play area for older children.
- The Skateboard Ramp for which we have received grant money. This still needs clarification of requirements from HCC. Then we can go ahead and find volunteers to help with the repair. If anyone knows someone with the necessary design skills please contact Pete.
- The planting of rhododendron and azaleas at the entranceway to Normandale had happened and a further grant had been allocated to complete the work envisioned by Suzy Austin.
- Pete thanked all committee members and asked for his report to be accepted. *Pete/Max. All agreed*

Treasurers Report.

Grant spoke to his report. He reported a membership of 75 members.

He provided a listing of current funds.

On 15th June 2011 the total funds, excluding allocated grant money, is \$6,019.79.

HCC grant monies are \$2,595.20.

Asset of materials for the skateboard = \$1,000. These are currently stored in Pete's garage.

As the NRA is not a money raising group, and we have sufficient funds Grant proposed that the subscription be reduced to \$5.00p.p. \$10.00 per household for the next financial year. *Grant / Pete.*

All agreed as really sufficient funds are gained from advertising in the N'Times.

Moved that the financial report be accepted. *Grant / Pete.* Max asked about the Financial Report of 2010 and on hearing that it had not been totally clarified Max offered to audit the books for Grant. This offer was accepted. Max and Grant to organise a suitable time to meet. All agreed that acceptance of the Financial Reports for 2010 and 2011 could occur once completed with the help of Max.

Before the Election of Officers it was agreed a discussion should be held to consider the:-

Continuance or otherwise of the NRA.

- there was consideration given to working towards merging with other Residents Associations on the Hills - if we, and they, wished to do so.
- A suggestion was made re changing what options were chosen by the committee to focus on.
- A comment that the NRA was not very visible – perhaps more advertising of what the NRA actually does would be good.
- With the Western Ward community committee did we need an NRA also?
- Most time is absorbed filling in submissions for HCC. Is this important?
- It was noted that we do work with Maungaraki re the *Meet the Candidates* evenings. And we had also worked together on the rhododendron planting... It was observed that if the local residents spoke well for their community the HCC would be likely to consider the points made. If no-one

spoke up for your area then it was likely to be overlooked..... one of the aims of the NRA was ensure a quality area for Normandale-ites to live in.....

- The NRA had been in existence for a long time and done a great deal for the area.

The discussion concluded that it was good to continue the NRA. People at the meeting agreed to help on the committee which had been struggling for members.

Election of Committee:

Pete Matcham, as chair: *Max/Margaret*

Caroline Dunbar: notetaker *Pete/Grant*

Grant Roberts: *Pete/Caroline*

Margaret Cousins: (HCC representative)

Rachel Linkhorn: *Caroline / Margaret*

Robyn Caygill: *Margaret / Caroline*

Juanita McKenzie: *Margaret / Caroline*

Sally Sellwood: *Pete / Caroline*

Paul Caygill: *Caroline / Margaret* Paul is the current Normandale Times newsletter editor.

All agreed and those nominated accepted nomination. Thank you everybody!

Kate Osborne said she would like to come and observe a committee meeting. It was reiterated the meetings are open to anyone interested in coming. Meetings are at St.Aidan's on the third Wednesday of the month commencing at 7.30p.m.

General Business:

Margaret formerly moved that we confer on Sherril McNabb an honorary life membership of the Normandale Residents Association in recognition of her work on behalf of the community as a former President of the Association and Editor of the Normandale Times. This will entitle her to receipt of the Normandale Times. *All agreed.*

Peter Dunne: Pete asked Peter if he would like to comment. Peter said:-

- He was pleased the decision was made to continue. He thought local committees were a very important part of holding a community together otherwise a sense of identity tended to be lost.
- He was happy we had new folk prepared to come on the committee.
- He felt the work on submissions was very important, and deserved commendation. Its importance should not be underestimated.
- He wished the committee well.

Meeting Closed: 8.50p.m.

Supper: supper was served and discussions continued.

Committee meeting: Wednesday 20th July 7.30p.m., at St.Aidan's.

Email from Mel re the website for the AGM=

In the year from June 2010 - May 2011 the website had 4244 page views averaging 354 from just under 100 visitors per month.