

Normandale Residents Association 2016

Notes from the Annual General Meeting held at St.Aidan's Church on the Hill on Wednesday 15th June 2016, commencing 7.30 p.m.

Present: Pete Matcham (chair), Sandie Matcham, Grant Roberts, Paul Caygill, Robyn Caygill, Malcolm Cameron, Judy Cameron, Margaret Cousins, Max Shierlaw, Penny McColl, Patrick Healy, Sally Jansen van Vuuren, and Caroline Dunbar.
Whaitiri Poutawa our guest speaker and James Selwood.

Apologies: The Mayor, and Chris Bishop

Resignations: Richard Langdale, Caroline Dunbar.

Notes from AGM 2015:

Moved that the notes of the previous AGM from June 2015 which had been circulated electronically be accepted as a true record. *Pete / Robyn*

Treasurer's Report:

Sandie had prepared a written report which is kept with the meeting notes. It had been a good year. Total assets held \$19,969.53. Thank you to Max Shierlaw who had audited the books.
Sandie/Margaret

Presidents Report:

Pete had prepared a written and photocopied report. He spoke verbally on the achievements of the small committee in continuing with the Inorganic Rubbish Collection, the Keep our area clean, having an exercise area installed on Jubilee Park and supplying sweets for the Santa Parade. Pete then spoke on the difficulty of maintaining an organising committee and providing submissions to the HCC especially with some members now resigning. *Pete/ Robyn*

After some discussion on committee number size (7) and perhaps changes in how the committee might function Pete called for elections.

Election of Committee Members:

President: Paul Caygill Nominated and seconded :-*Sandie/Robyn*

Secretary: Sandie Matcham. Nominated and seconded *Robyn / Paul*

Finance/ Treasurer: Robyn Caygill. Nominated and seconded *Sandie/ Margaret*

Committee members and volunteers: Grant Roberts, Margaret Cousins, Penny McColl, James Selwood, and Sally Jansen van Vuuren (the latter when she was available), Peter Matcham.

Pete closed the formal part of the meeting at 8:05p.m, and invited our guests to speak.

James Selwood, from Normandale spoke briefly of the Hutt City Emergency Response Team NZRT and of setting up a Charitable Trust. The trust would be governed by Civil Defence and NZ Fire Service.

James then introduced Whaitiri Poutawa who spoke about USAR - Urban Search and Rescue.

Whaitiri illustrated his talk with a power point show.

He mentioned that each Team consisted of eight members, they all trained in various aspects of search and rescue including crowd control, communications reporting, evacuation and welfare, safety and much more. The training was in line with others within NZ and overseas so Teams could be readily assimilated - or exchanged for relief work - where required.

HCC, Police, Fire Department, and Wellington Emergency Management Office all called on them for help. The members were reliable and made themselves available as much as possible. They were all volunteers.

Whaitiri explained that for him the Christchurch earthquake had provided valuable experience. Following several questions Whaitiri was thanked for his talk.

We all had supper and a chat. The dishes were done as the room was cleared.