

Normandale Residents Association

Notes from the meeting held Wednesday 18th May 2011 at St.Aidan's. Commencing 7.35p.m. Pete welcomed Paul and his Mother. Paul explained why he wanted to take on the editorship of the N'Times – as part of community work for a Duke of Edinburgh award.

Present: Pete Matcham (chair), Margaret Cousins, Grant Roberts, Paul and Mrs. Caygill, Caroline Dunbar.

Apologies: Lisa O'Leary, (who may not come now, as she handed over editorship of the N'Times to Paul), Mel Galletly.

Notes: for meeting 20th April had been circulated electronically and were deemed correct.

Matters Arising: to be dealt with under other headings.

Correspondence: In:

- Greater Wellington Region re district plan.
- Email in from Mel re apology, web-site numbers and Poto Road zoning.

Out:

- Greater Wellington Region re plan changes.
- Email to Sandra Greig re Rosemary McLelland's nomination for civic award.

Finance: Grant said little had changed since last month. Further interest has been received.

Bank Statement at 31 March 2011:

Westpac \$458.10: **Rabo Plus:** \$8,124.97 **Total (excl.grants)** \$5,987.87 **HCC Grants** \$2,595.20

Caroline not yet reimbursed for the Christmas sweets. \$155.60

HCC Annual Plan: We went through the draft plan summary document item by item and discussed what our responses would be. Pete will translate that into the reply from the NRA.

- 1) changes made to last year's plan – we agree with the reasoning behind the debt structure; changes to fees - there did not seem too much difference.
- 2) projects: agree to finishing Petone esplanade; using reallocated funds to look at the cross valley link seems an opposing objective to work on the esplanade though; one of the CBD making places is the square outside the Dowse; agree to support exploring options with others for an aquatic facility in Petone.
- 3) Point Howard wharf options. – suggest keep it.
- 5) Waste Management and minimisation plan: we don't want to adopt the Wgtn., system; we thoroughly support the hazardous waste collection.
- 6) we moved to a discussion on the Western ward committee meetings rather than 'monitoring community outcomes'.

Western Ward Community meetings: One at Hardwick Smith lounge and one at Alicetown had featured train service; roading, link roads, the tension between urban and rural road requirements; storm-water and subsurface of roads. Manor Park, Harbour View link Road, Tirohanga and Harbour View, upper Normandale Roads were all mentioned.

Corridor Plans:

Cycle tracks need improving and completion.

Better connectivity to Dry Creek.

Hoereke Street, Stokes Valley may be bought by the HCC. Also an area in WOA.

Petone to Grenada. Can't see any justification for this. Discrepancies in the numbers quoted.

Bus shelters: Are they on particular sides for a reason? A central board is missing from a shelter in Pokohiwi Road. MC will check up on this.

Rhododendrons and Azaleas: The grant was approved for this.

Plan Change 20: Grant alerted us to the fact that the land that was being considered for selling was already deemed 'Reserve'. It is in Wingate. It seems the area was considered of no potential as reserve but as potential for selling?

Skateboard: Pete has still not spoken with Craig but Stuart Duncan seemed to think the Polytech idea would not work. However it is still one idea. Others were Roy Cox (125 Hill Road) and his volunteer group or Lions might undertake it as a project.

AGM Wednesday June 15th 7.30p.m. *Pete to ask Gary O'Meara – Operations Manager for Capacity..He has recently been in ChCh and has some interesting comments to make re earthquake preparedness for the Wgtn. region.*

A writing went to the N'Times re the AGM asking if people really want a NRA....

Editor for Normandale Times. Lisa managed to produce the May newsletter for us. *Thank you again Lisa.* Paul, is to be editor in future and has begun forthwith.

Historic Boards: Pete has no time at present to work on these but hasn't forgotten them.

Map Notice board at entrance to Normandale. This has been moved further up Miromiro rather than further down which had been the expectation.....

Community Notice Board: MC will paint her usual notice re the AGM. Thank you Margaret.

Meeting Closure: Meeting closed at 9.45p.m..

Next Meeting: 15th June 2011. 7.30p.m. at St.Aidan's. **A.G.M.** Please bring something for supper!