

## Normandale Residents Association

Notes from the meeting held on Wednesday 19th September 2012 at St.Aidans commencing 7.32p.m.

**Welcome:**

**Present:** Robyn Caygill (chair), Rachel Linkhorn, Sandie Matcham, Grant Roberts, Paul Caygill, Caroline Dunbar

**Apologies:** Pete Matcham, (*Margaret Cousins is probably at the same meeting as Pete*).

**Notes:** for meeting of August had been circulated electronically. No dissension re content.

**Matters Arising:** newsletter re notice re meeting. Alter the wording slightly to indicate members were welcome to contribute.

**Correspondence:** none as far as we know.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sandie gave a verbal report report.

The Westpac Account Balance for August 2012 is:- \$3,604.49

The Rabo Account holds \$7,568.16

These monies include HCC grants of \$2,595.20

There were eight advertisers who had not responded to invoices sent in March. Sandie is going to write to all advertisers advising of her contact details and how the invoicing will be done in future. Caroline will speak with Neelam Dairy re their account which was given in June/July. We will leave the advertising as is for October but remove any who have not paid in November.

The Professionals had been sent an invoice for advertising on the Community signage but had not yet paid.

The withholding tax had to be paid at this stage as we are not registered as an Incorporated Society and need to fulfill other requirements to claim exemption.

There are two deposits which need identification.

Sandie says some subscriptions have been paid in electronically which is much easier from a recording point of view.

*Robyn / Rachel. All accepted the report.*

**Normandale Times:** Sandie and Pete had visited Cheryl at Professionals to discuss about the Normandale Times, it's layout, design and expectations. Paul had not made contact as intended so it was not an embarrassing situation. Suggestions from committee and Cheryl.

- A change of logo?
- Maybe the logo could still include trees. Perhaps we could check Rosemary's book to see if it mentions when the logo of three trees was begun.
- Paper size could be altered. Agreed we were happy with status quo.
- Layout different so that all advertisements not together. Often difficult to achieve.
- Number of pages, if more, then more content required!
- Cheryl had offered to do a bi-monthly editorial.
- Pete could do an editorial bi monthly also but he is very busy and finds deadlines hard to meet.
- Western Ward committee meetings should be advertised.
- Schools could be encouraged to send in reports of activities, Intermediate and High as well as Normandale.

- Run a Competition to see who is the resident who has lived in Normandale the longest. Perhaps they might have early days photos?
- Ask the Community Constable for a report from time to time.
- Encourage photos.
- The final monthly PDF needs to go to Pete from Professionals for the website.
- October issue to carry a Thank You for subscriptions and a reminder to those who have not yet paid.

**Local Government Review:** do we wish to make a submission? Yes, but we would be in a better position to give knowledgeable points of view after next week's meeting. Perhaps we can email Pete after this.

**Representation Review:** this has the same points. Do we want the status quo, have no wards, have community boards in all wards, or none at all. As this topic will also be discussed next Wednesday evening we decided to defer comments until after this meeting. Robyn will do a write up for the newsletter following the meeting.

**Poto Road:** As neither Pete nor Margaret were there we were unsure what requirement of input on this matter was. We thought a flying fox would be great in an adventure playground.

Is a Viewing Platform at the highest point still an option?

Remember Blair Simpson wishes to contribute ideas on landscaping for this area. Blair's number is 021 586 385. It would be good to invite him when we discuss options

**Inorganic Rubbish Collection:** we need to keep this on our agenda but could make no decision as we need an update from Margaret.

**Minoh House:** the slip on the road down to Minoh House is still there. Arrangements have been made to transport people past it on Cherry Blossom Celebration at the end of September.

**Meeting Closed:** at 8.55p.m.

**Next Meeting:** 17th October.

*I spoke with Lisa this morning and she is going to check for PDFs of the Normandale Times and will forward any she can locate to Pete.*