

Normandale Residents Association

Notes from the meeting held Wednesday 16th November 2011 at St.Aidan's. Commencing 7.32p.m.

Welcome: Pete thanked folks for coming to the meeting.

Present: Pete Matcham (chair), Paul and Mrs. Caygill, Rachael Linkhorn, Grant Roberts, Sally Selwood and Caroline Dunbar.

Apologies: Margaret Cousins.

Notes: for meeting 19th October had been circulated electronically and were deemed correct after small alteration re website name. *Pete/Caroline*

Matters Arising:

To be dealt with during the meeting.

Correspondence: In: and Out: Various emails concerning the inorganic rubbish collection.

Website: Pete has prepared the site. As yet Lisa has not been in touch with Pete to follow up this project. **Paul will send Pete the September, October and November issues of N'Times on PDF.** Lisa will be in touch as soon as she's able. Pete will circulate the skeleton site to the committee for us to view and comment on.

Inorganic Rubbish Collection: Due to various factors we did not completely clear all the streets on our plan. Pete is prepared to get a truck this Saturday again to finish the collection. Robyn, Rachel and Grant are all available to help. 9.30a.m. corner Eastview Grove and Pokohiwi Roads. To hire the truck and include tip fees is approx. \$300. which is a cheaper option than getting a bin. Tip fees are higher if there is polystyrene. The fees are according to weight. James will give an invoice for \$50. to Pete or Grant to include with the other invoices to go to the HCC to claim reimbursement. Everybody worked hard and willingly. Thank you to all.

Finance: Grant had prepared a typed report.

Bank Statement at 31 October 2011:

Westpac \$772.50 Rabo Plus: \$8,232. 60 Total (excl.grants) \$6,409. 90 HCC Grants \$2,595.20

• *Grant had purchased 600 small envelopes for the subscriptions. He has not yet claimed this money.*
All accepted Grant's report. *Grant/Pete.*

Approval for payments to come:

- Pete Hire truck and tip fees x2 approx \$600.
- Bin hire on Sat.12 November \$850.01
- James' vehicle on Sat.12th \$50.
- Rosemary McLennan \$160. For sweets for Christmas Parade. Rosemary will purchase and provide receipt to Grant.
- Box of Biscuits \$16. For Professionals for Thank You. **Caroline to purchase.**
- Chocolates for deliverers as Thank You. \$5 –6. Each. **Caroline to purchase.** To be delivered in December, maybe with the December newsletter? *Pete/Caroline. All agreed.*

Christmas function: As committee people will be away at various times it was agreed we would have a convivial gathering in February instead.

Problems on the Melling Line. Pete would appreciate specific complaints of hardship/difficulties due to inadequate service on the Melling line. Pete will make up a dossier to use to support his comments to Kiwirail.

Skateboard Ramp: One reply to the N'times suggested the skateboard ramp be demolished and a picnic table set up but no offers of help have been received.

Pete will contact Kelly Crandle, Craig Cotterill and Bruce Hodgkins to ascertain exactly what specifications Craig wants. It has been hard to get Craig to state what is required. Pete would like it in writing this time around.

Community Plan: This large document 2006 – 2031 was passed around for viewing. Pete has prepared and emailed the committee suggestions but he welcomes any other comments that could be included such as putting the wires underground... and the value of distant views!

Wellington Regional Committees Fund: This idea originated with Kerry Prendegast, past Mayor of Wellington and run through the Mayor's Forum. The concept was to have a Regional Fund available to allow the region to attract Big Events. All the region would contribute. However it seemed to be perceived differently and now that the Wgtn CC has decided how much each area must contribute LH and Porirua are distancing themselves from the project. It may not fly.

Go Outside and Play: Pete had a document pertaining to this. An area plan of open spaces for children. We can respond saying we don't need more playgrounds but more spaces for adventure e.g., Poto road area! Pete is happy to include anyone's helpful ideas in his submission.

Western Ward Committee: will meet Thursday 24th at Belmont domain. There is a committee only meeting Thursday 17th to discuss the community plan. The Animal Health Board and the GWR are planning a 1080 pellet drop for possum control. This was last done in 2007. Possums provide infection but are so numerous control is perhaps more manageable than eradication.

Normandale Times: Paul has the article re the Christmas Parade to put in the December issue. Also he will thank the folk helping with the Inorganic collection and point out to the village at large it is a voluntary project!

The Constitution: *Pete will try to confirm whether we are still on the Incorporated Society list and will also enquire re the procedure to join again if indeed we are not registered...Not discussed in November.*

Rhododendrons and Azaleas: *Pete suggested inter-planting with ringa ringa. Grant suggested blecknum. **Pete will discuss options with Suzy.** No report given in November re this.. Suzy had advised that a working bee would be **held on the 19th November to place mulch** around the trees and shrubs. 9.30a.m.start. HCC will provide the mulch. We need to take wheelbarrows and shovels on the day.*

Meeting Closure: Meeting closed at 9.15 p.m..

Next Meeting: 14th December 2011. 7.30p.m. at St.Aidan's **if required** otherwise 15th February 2012.

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