

Normandale Residents Association

Notes from the meeting held on Wednesday 19th October 2012 at St.Aidans commencing 7.34p.m.

Welcome: Pete welcomed everyone, especially Cheryl Salt from *Professionals*, to the meeting.

Present: Pete Matcham (chair) Robyn Caygill, Sandie Matcham, Grant Roberts, Paul Caygill, Caroline Dunbar, Cheryl Salt

Apologies:

Notes: for meeting of September had been circulated electronically. Incorrect recording re word alteration of advertisement re NRA meetings under Matters Arising. That is members and others are welcome to attend meetings but non committee members speaking at meetings is at the discretion of the Chairperson. The advertisement therefore simply needs to advise meeting times and that everybody is welcome to attend.

Matters Arising: discuss later:- the Poto Road corner, Inorganic Rubbish Collection, Incorporated Society, and subscriptions.

Advertising Board: Rosemary had had a problem re attaching a notice to the board and had called Pete (Not Pete, possibly Paul). She had emailed Cheryl re this also so will be responded to by *Professionals*. Others had found the board OK for pins etc. Cheryl was thanked for the board.

Correspondence: none as far as we know.

Treasurer's Report: Sandie gave a verbal report.

The Westpac Account Balance for September 2012 is:- \$3,819.49

The Rabo Account holds \$7,581.49

These monies include HCC grants of \$2,595.20

Sandie has contacted all advertisers. Payments have been made either in full or part and in some cases advertisements have been withdrawn. Neelam Dairy who wish to continue promised to pay a.s.a.p.

Sandie suggested-recommended we write off the invoice for Benedicts (\$330) as they had indicated they had not requested further advertising. It was therefore our mistake. And that we write off payments due from Ben Blackler, and Prozone from March to October (\$90 each) who were now withdrawing advertising.

Flight Centre wished to advertise in future. Paul to check out format.

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

There are two small deposits from June which need identification. \$11.84

Sandie says subscriptions paid electronically are much easier from a recording point of view. As of 17th October there are 28 households with paid up subscriptions.

Sandie will send out receipts online to advertisers where possible but paper where

necessary. Receipts are required so that advertisers can ~~to~~ claim tax refund/exemption.

Thank you for all your work, Sandie.

Sandie/Pete All agreed to Sandie's suggestions and accepted the report.

Normandale Times: thanks were extended to Cheryl and her team for the photocopying each month. Cheryl responded with the suggestion that if there were some good colour photographs she could use colour but that the page would need to be singular as colour

photocopying was very expensive. It cost approx \$1000 to do the 700 copies in colour. Paul mentioned that Rosemary was going to contribute a write up on a local walkway for the next issue, Sandie wanted a Thank You and a reminder re subscriptions, Pete wanted to put an article on Poto Road corner developments and the Inorganic Rubbish Collection.

On becoming an Incorporated Society again: we need 15 signatories which are witnessed. We need about \$102. In order to get sufficient signatories we would need to take the papers to some bigger gathering. Maybe Playcentre on the 28th October or the St.Aidans garage sale on the 3rd Nov. In the meantime Pete has the forms.

Inorganic Rubbish Collection: thanks to Margaret for supplying the contact name at HCC. Money has been confirmed as available. Pete has contacted Mike who owns the truck and Mike is available for the 17th November. Therefore we will advertise that date. Margaret will do the safety routine. **Pete will contact both EarthLink and McAuleys re that date.** **Caroline** will check out with James about collecting e-waste or just helping us collect into Mike's truck. A suggestion re a form to drop into people's letter boxes where we picked up rubbish could read:- we are a voluntary organisation and we have picked up your rubbish. We would appreciate your monetary support in the payment of \$5.00 subscription to the Normandale Residents Association as this money is used within Normandale. *We would also need the account number and an address.*

Poto Road: Pete and Margaret had met with Craig and Sherry Shelly at the Poto Road site and discussed a play area for older children. And an outlook platform. The HCC members had also met with Blair Simpson who wished to contribute ideas on landscaping for this area. There was a good discussion and Blair was going to prepare some ideas for the HCC. Suggestions were also made about speaking with children from Normandale School re what they would like on an informal play area. A drinking fountain could be a viable option.

Ward Committee Meeting: Pete wanted up to ten people nominated and reasons for nominating. Those who did community oriented work. Some names suggested:- Judy and Malcolm Cameron, Rosemary McLennan, Lynn Isberg, Sharon Edmundsen, Glenda Saunders, Maggie Dyer, Anne-Marie Beeler, Joan and John Latimer, Rachel Bruce plus a few others.

Super city Wellington: do we wish to make a submission? Yes. General feeling is against amalgamation. Most saw the difficulties of small areas being heard clearly in a larger organisation. It was agreed that some things benefited from being run regionally however that already happens. For Upper Hutt and Lower Hutt to amalgamate seemed reasonable but overseas experience has shown smaller groupings often run better as people are more likely to get involved in their local communities. It was not envisioned any great savings would be made. Pete will compose the submission. Thank you Pete.

Mildenhall Park: HCC has mentioned putting pensioner housing on this park. Margaret explained that some Council 'reserves' were used as local purposes reserves on which were built community facilities as in kindergartens, Normandale Playcentre, Plunket, etc., which were then rented from HCC. HCC were responsible for providing for elderly people within their communities. If folk were concerned regarding the principle of using 'reserve' land in this way they should write to the HCC and DOC. (*The date for submissions on Mildenhall Park closed on 31st August.*)

Kowhai Tree: another kowhai tree had been planted in the grassed area in Normandale Road as the previous tree had died. This is actually the third tree to have been planted in the same spot.

Meeting Closed: at 9.40 p.m.

Next Meeting: 21st November 2012.