

Minutes of the Piha Ratepayers' and Residents' Association
Committee Meeting held at Piha Bowling Club, 6.00 pm, 16th November, 2021.

1. **Attending:** Ken Cowan(KC), Hanneke Bouchier (HB), Graham Cleghorn (GC), Jane Caley (JC), Graeme Carrie(GBC), Sean O'Brien(SO), Anthony Piggins (BS), Natasha Tomlinson(NT).
2. Apologies : Phoebe O'Brien (LoA), Daniel Caley.
3. **Confirm minutes:** Confirm the minutes from meeting of 10th August, 2021.
MOTION 1: That the Minutes of the 10th August, 2021 be accepted as a true and correct record.
CARRIED: KC/GBC
4. **Matters Arising:**

Due to time constraints, Covid restrictions and Auckland Council/Transport communication restrictions, the following items were held over.

 1. **AT – Slow Vehicle Signs:**
 2. **Post Office Diversification:** .
 3. **Piha Bowling Club Funds Request:**
 4. **Piha Domain Road maintenance:**
 5. **Community Gathering:**
5. **Financial Report: GC**
 1. Graham Cleghorn – Presented the monthly reports & approval of accounts for payment.
MOTION 2: That the financial Report for the period ending October 31st be received, transactions endorsed, and accounts for payment as tabled, be approved.
 2. The October financial Report included a proposal to add a further suffix to our bank account to separate the finances related to the Piha news. This was approved by email consensus. The motion is repeated here in confirmation.
MOTION 3: That the R&R Treasurer is hereby authorised to open a new bank account (new suffix) on behalf of the Association so that income and expenditure for the Piha News can be reported separately from other accounts.
CARRIED: GC/KC
6. **Water Quality Report: GBC**
 1. **GBC** tabled his report. Salinity testing by GBC/R&R has resulted in positive progress toward permission to maintain Piha Stream flow. WRLB is expected to approve Safe Swim proposal this week.
 2. **GBC** to follow up with Nick Vigar and **KC/HB** to subsequently initiate a letter of confirmation.
7. **Website/Facebook:**
 1. **SO** reported he is still keen to have the revised format operational before year end.
8. **Piha News: NT**
 1. **NT** (with Issie O'Brien) presented the proposed 16 page layout for the Christmas edition.
 2. Agreed we should aim for Monday, December 13 distribution if possible.
 3. Discussion regarding cost of production. **KC** to follow up with Pumphouse Print.
 4. It was resolved that the first issue would be made available free to "kick start" the new involvement of Piha R&R. Subsequent issues possibly free to R&R members and \$3.00 to the public. To be confirmed.
 5. **GC** to forward advertiser info from PCCS to **NT**, but it was also suggested that previous advertisers be included and if we cannot contact them to include their adverts and bill them speculatively.
 6. Also resolved to add colour front and back on first issue if possible and economically practical.

9. AGM

1. It was resolved that the AGM be held at Barnett Hall, 7:00pm on January 9th, 2022 subject to any Government or Council Covid restrictions that may apply at that time.
2. It was resolved to have a "Topic of Interest" discussion as the drawcard for the AGM.. Suggestions to be proposed at next meeting.
3. Committee to approach suitable Piha locals to sit on committee. **SO** to think about possible candidates for Treasurer, who would be assisted by **GC**.
4. Position of Secretary also sits vacant and a suitable candidate would be of huge assistance in relieving the President's work load.

10. General Business:

1. **Community Garden Proposal:** We have received from the Local Board a copy of a Memo to them from Council, with recommendations for the 14 & 20 Glenesk Rd. properties and the Local Board response to Council. The Memo proposes that the properties be assigned to Regional Parks and are not suitable for community gardens utilisation for safety reasons. **KC** to write strongly refuting the Council Memo conclusions and requesting that the properties be made Local Parks and therefore under Local Board control.
2. **Water Safety Signs:** Auckland Council is again proposing to replace the water safety signs that were agreed to following community consultation in 2016. **KC** to write reiterating previous opposition to replacement of the signs provided to the Local Board last year.
3. **Piha Domain Damage:** Again, the Domain carpark grass is being destroyed by "Hoons" doing wheelies. Licence plate details of one known offender to be forwarded to the Police with a suitable covering letter. **KC**

Meeting closed at 7:25 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 14th December, 2021. 7:00pm at Piha Bowling Club.