## Pauatahanui Residents Association

Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held at 325 Grays Road on Thursday  $16^{\text{th}}$  August 2012

- 1. **Present:**, Nicky Chapman [Acting Chair], Alan Gray [Secretary], Diane Strugnell [Treasurer], Rob Foley & Ken McAdam
- 2. Apologies: John Mazenier .Kay Middleton, Mike Conroy, &. Anna Dellow,
- **3. Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> July 2012 were approved: Moved –Nicky; seconded- Alan

### 4. Business arising from the minutes.

### 4.1. Structure Plan for the development of the

**Pauatahanui/Judgeford area:** PRA has sent a submission on the plan, broadly supportive of it, noting that the impending development of Transmission Gully Motorway will place huge pressure on the area for other development. PCC's plan allows for more orderly & appropriate development of the area in the future Oral submissions will be heard starting on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

**3.2 Water & sewage reticulation for the Village.** On 31<sup>st</sup> July Council reported back on the 20 submissions & public hearings about the reticulation of Pauatahanui Village. Council made the following points- "The vast majority (93%) of submissions were supportive of the proposed Pauatahanui Sewer Reticulation project. The submitters raised a number of detailed issues which will continue to be worked through.

The concerns about increased property rates to urban levels for properties joining the scheme was acknowledged, but Council notes that a final decision has not yet been made regarding funding. A number of different funding options are still being developed by Council officers, and these will shortly be presented to Council for consideration. The Council's preferred option will then be discussed with Pauatahanui Village residents. But it is considered that the reticulation cannot be entirely funded through "user pays", because it is addressing a historical and complex problem in the area. Also, because it contributes to the protection of Porirua Harbour it has wider benefits for the City as a whole.

The project is intended to improve the level of service to existing residential properties in Pauatahanui Village many of which are too small to adequately deal with on-site wastewater disposal, & it would not be servicing any new development

It is widely agreed that Pauatahanui village should remain rural in character, and the risk of undesirable growth has been taken into account in the development of options for reticulation.

Any intensification that may be enabled in the future through the Pauatahanui-Judgeford Structure Plan and consequent District Plan Change would only occur on the elevated land to the east of Paekakariki Hill Road and would be strictly controlled. Minimum lot sizes would ensure that any new lots would be of sufficient size to enable on-site wastewater disposal without adverse effect. The Council notes it will consider the detailed engineering and funding options when these are presented to Council, with a view to consulting on the preferred option with residents."

**3.3 History Project:** A first meeting has been held with the Pauatahanui History Group, the Publication Manager Geoff Norman, & his editor Anne

Hermans, to discuss the format of the book & the editing process. Geoff has approved the contract which is to cover the publication process up to the stage of printing. Printing will be a separate contract as it will depend upon prices & available quotes nearer the time.

The following resolution was approved by the Committee to apply for further funding for the History Project from the Hutt Mana Community Trust-

"It was resolved at a meeting of the Pauatahanui Residents Association Management Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2012, that an application be made to the Hutt Mana Charitable Trust; for funds to pay for the publication & printing of the completed manuscript written by a professional historian Helen Reilly of a history of the Pauatahanui District. The amount requested is \$5,000 [five thousand dollars.]"

Moved: Ken MacAdam; Seconded: Nicky Chaopman

**3.4 Moonshine Road – Flood washout repair:** A good deal of correspondence has been received about this problem on Moonshine Road where previous flood damage threatens telecommunications and a road washout just past the first bridge if there are further floods. PCC has to obtain consent from the Regional Council before repairs can begin & is currently working on this process.

**3.5 Environment Court hearing on Plan Change 7 [Windfarms]:** The Environment Court hearing on the Plan Change 7 appeal, postponed from the beginning of July, is due to be held on 6-7 September. Nicky and Diane will be giving evidence, supporting Porirua City Council, on behalf of PRA, Pauatahanui Futures Society, Preserve Pauatahanui and Moonshine Valley Residents Assn. There will be evidence from noise and landscape experts but the main focus will be on the evidence from the planners regarding the 700m setback. It was noted that, in another appeal before the Environment Court, the Makara Guardians are seeking a setback distance for wind turbines of 2km from an individual dwelling and 5km from clusters of residences forming a community, as part of Greater Wellington's Regional Policy Statement on Landscape.

**4. Accounts:** [00] Account = \$1,588-25 & [01] History Account = \$8,194-80 on 16 August 2012. To date 38 Households have paid the \$20 subscription/household for the current financial year.

#### 5. General Business

5.1 Review of Network Utilities; Transmission line land rights: - Along with many other councils, PCC has been waiting to see what the outcome would be from the hearing for the Western Bay of Plenty on the transmission buffer zones. The decision made by the Western Bay of Plenty council has recently been released with the main point being that, to give effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission (which is the mandatory requirement placed on the local councils), council planning maps will be amended to show the transmission corridor buffers of 16m from the centreline for 110kV lines and 32m from the centreline for the 220kV lines and that the council maps and Land Information Memoranda (LIM) will advise that compliance with the NZ Electricity Code of Compliance NZECP 34:2001 is required in this area. Transpower was could not lock power line buffer zones into District Plans, thereby forcing Councils to police a Central Government regulation. The working group set up by PCC is currently considering the Western Bay of Plenty decision and awaiting the PCC draft of the network utility review. In the meantime Transpower is appealing the Western Bay of Plenty decision in the Environment Court.

**5.2 Pauatahanui Village Planning Programme:** PCC plans to hold its annual Village Planning Programme get-together on Wednesday, September 5, at Te Rauparaha Arena to review progress.

**5.3 Speed limits on Paekakariki Hill Road & Grays Road:** Following the recent public consultation on the issue; PCC at its Te Komiti meeting on 16 August approved reducing the speed limit to 60 km/h on Paekakariki Hill Road from the intersection with Grays Road to the boundary between Porirua City Council & Kapiti Coast District Council [at the top of the Paekakariki Hill]. The Council meeting also approved a permanent speed limit of 60km/h to replace the temporary speed limit on Grays Road; from 160 metres east of Pope Street at Camborne to the intersection with Paekakariki Hill road.

**5.4 Website for PRA.** The website Pauatahanui.org.nz has been registered to PRA & Diane will supervise its development for posting of PRA minutes, submissions, & other notices & to receive messages.

### 6. Other business-

**6.1 A Defibrillator for Pauatahanui:** PRA has been formally approached by the Rotary Club of Plimmerton who have purchased an AED Defibrillator that is going to be installed in a lockbox on the exterior wall of the Lighthouse Cinema in Pauatahanui. Rotary would like to donate this to the Pauatahanui community & PRA is pleased to accept ownership of it. The Light House Cinema is donating the site so that the defibrillator is instantly available there for emergencies, & will cover any ongoing costs and maintenance in cooperation with Wellington Free Ambulance.

#### 7. Correspondence:

#### 7.1 Inward

Various PCC committee & other papers including:

Comments from PCC on the results of submissions on the Draft Long Term Plan 2012-22.[31/07/2012]

Remittance Advice from Porirua City Council of \$250 annual grant [10/08/2012]

E-mail from Geoff Marshall of PCC concerning progress on repairing the flood washout threatening Moonshine Road. [10/08/2012] Other correspondence has been received from Donald Love, Diane Strugnell, & Councillor Tim Sheppard on this issue.

Plimmerton Residents' Association Newsletter. What's new in Plimmerton? August 2012

The Porirua Emergency Management Office updates on their planning process. The next Welfare Operational Team (W.O.T.) meeting is scheduled for the 29th August 2012 (Wednesday) - 1.30pm to 3.30pm – at the Porirua Emergency Management Office. 7 Serlby Place, Porirua. [09/08/2012].

Commissioners Final Report from the Western Bay of Plenty hearings on electricity transmission buffer zones [10/08/2012]

# 7.2 Outward:

Application to PCC for \$250 annual grant to Residents Associations.[[24/07/2012]

Reply to Winstones Aggregates about their proposal for a cleanfill development on Haywards Hill. [24/07/2012]

Submission to PCC on its Structure Plan for the development of the Pauatahanui/Judgeford area [16/08/2012]

**8 Date of next Management Committee meeting**-Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm?.

Nicky Chapman

Acting Chair. PRA