

MINUTES PAUATAHANUI RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

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Date of meeting:	5 May 2015
Time:	7:30pm – 9:30pm
Venue:	Judgeford Golf Clubrooms
Members present:	Ken McAdam [Chair] Diane Strugnell [Treasurer] Erica Nicholls [Secretary] Anna Dellow Nicky Chapman Joanne (Jo) Cross Andrew (Andy) Manning
Speakers:	Transmission Gully/Lanes Flat Lauren McKenzie, Community & Stakeholder Manager, Leighton Contractors Chris Hunt, Construction Manager, Leighton Contractors Reuben Mills, Senior Environmental Advisor, Leighton Contractors David Low, CEO of Wellington Gateway Partnership Pauatahanui Village Planning Bronwyn Kropp, Councillor Claire Giblin Communications Advisor, Porirua City Council Te Ara Piko Walkway Ron Lucas, Plimmerton Rotary (Past President) Andrew Gray, Landscape Architect, PCC
In attendance	Attending PCC Councillors, media and residents (50+ attendees)
Apologies:	John Mazerier, Beverley Wakem, Roy & Judy Slack, Barbara Hunter, Cnlr Baker, Fiona Robinson, Jo McCready, Janet & Ray Ryan, Peter Jackson, Denny & Derek Evison, Steve Findlay (Zone Manager, Transmission Gully Project, Leighton Contractors)

Items

Minutes

Welcome

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.40pm, welcoming attendees to the meeting.

1. AGM guest speakers

Transmission Gully/Lanes Flat

Erica welcomed Lauren McKenzie, Community & Stakeholder Manager, Leighton HEB Joint Venture and the team of attending joint venture builders of Transmission Gully Motorway (refer to speakers above).

Chris Hunt, Construction Manager led the presentation providing an overview of the project and issues arising. Key points included:

Contract

- NZTA awarded Transmission Gully contract to Wellington Gateway Partnership 28 July 2014.
- It is the first roading public/private partnership (PPP) in NZ.
- There is a "Design & Construct" 5 year contract
- Followed by an "Operate & Maintain" 25 year contract
- Design and construct phase is well underway

Design & Construct

- Motorway will be a 28km long open sky's - meaning all local loads will go under the Motorway.
- Design resilience is key as the motorway will cross 7 fault zones and 11 different geographical types.

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- Transpower has completed removal of the transmission lines.
 - Other service relocations are being planned including gas and water mains.
 - During design and construction respect for the environment is key.
 - Safety is another driver – there is a financial model for the road which will penalise them if there are accidents on the road.
 - Improved travel times are the other key goal.
 - There is a team of 85 design engineers (mainly based in Auckland) working on the design and development phase. They are at around 40-45% complete with this work.
 - The regulatory requirements are currently being worked through, including demonstrating how they will comply with consent conditions with the Regional Council and territorial authorities.
 - The first priority is to discuss design concepts with the most affected stakeholders/residents. Then conversations are expanded to the wider community.

Lanes Flat

- Approximately 70 people are in the Design and Construct planning team currently based on Kenepuru Drive.
- Once Lanes Flat site is ready these staff will move there. They expect up to 120 people to be based here (in about 18 months' time) for the 5 year contract.
- Access to Lanes Flat will be off the Pauatahanui roundabout, with robust traffic management in place.

Chris then handed the presentation to Reuben Mills, Senior Environmental Advisor. Key points included:

Environment/Heritage

- The motorway build will include 540 hectares of ecological plantings. Plant selection and planting design are underway.
- Plantings will start during 2015 as part of management plans to control sediment going into the Pauatahanui Inlet.
- Environmental impact induction and training will occur for all those working on the Motorway.
- Archaeologists will also be working onsite.
- A Heritage Plan is in place. Reuben gave a number of examples where their services have been utilised, including an Umu site found, Brick Fuel Containment from WWII and the Church.

Chris then covered the following:

- A "Greenroads silver standard" is being aimed for - this is a contractual obligation. "Greenroads" is a collection of sustainability best practices, called "credits," that relate to roadway design and construction. Achieving these credits can earn points toward a total score for the project and in general this Greenroads score can be used as an indicator of sustainability for the roadway.

Chris then handed over to Lauren McKenzie:

Community

- Once works begin, a monthly community update on Leighton's website is planned. A quarterly newsletter is currently published.
- The website www.tg.co.nz will be updated once the Transmission Gully Management Plans have been finalised.
- Augmented reality technology will be utilised to provide more interactive information on the website eg. to allow you to find a specific property.
- There is not a lot on the website at this point.
- The PRA website and distribution list will also be used to send out information.

Operate & Maintain

- The David Low, Wellington Gateway Partnership indicated that it is a 30 year contract in total and that the Maintain and Operating components would also be run from Lanes Flat.
 - The Partnership will report monthly to NZTA on the success of community and
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stakeholder communications.

Discussion points from Q&A session

The following additional information was give during the open floor question time:

- Design concept plans have to be consulted with immediate stakeholders first, then rolled out wider.
- Expect increase in light vehicles in the Village, with staff getting to the Lanes Flat site.
- Approximately 15 heavy vehicle movements in total will go through the Village between December 2015 and December 2016 which will be co-ordinated with traffic management and residents.
- Lanes Flat plans should not impact traffic safety in the Village as education will be provided to users of the site. Including not using engine brakes. A survey will be undertaken to ensure contractors are complying with this training.
- Contractors do not have the mandate to put up no engine brake signs. They can however encourage PCC/NZTA to do so if required.
- Contractors cannot say there will be no environmental impact in building a 28km motorway. They will minimise that impact to ensure there is no net loss to the environment. The consent conditions require them to leave the environment in a better state than it is currently.
- On a project this size they have large teams to manage safety, environment, quality, traffic safety.
- Benefits which can be expected from the motorway include:
 - Sustained reduction in traffic on Grays Road and Paekakariki Hill Road.
 - Easy access between the North and South.
 - Better and safer walking and cycling connections for SH58
- Negatives which may include:
 - Visual impact of motorway for some residents.
 - Noise impact for some residents
- Noise and visual impacts will be masked as much as possible with timber noise walls and plantings.
- Lanes Flat staff will have access to bathrooms etc onsite – hooked into Whitby Sewerage system. There is no accommodation on site.
- Catering and food requirements for Lanes Flat staff are currently being considered. They will seek to support local businesses and look at all options.
- Pedestrian access from Lanes Flat to Village had not been considered. Chris indicated this was a good idea he will look into.
- Having 85 Auckland designers was a practical need as not all of these skills were available in the local Region. Chris indicated he would have preferred the majority of designers to be from the region if this had been possible.
- Concrete batching plant at Lanes Flat is no longer happening. Concrete batching contracts are currently being priced. There could potentially be different providers at different ends of the Motorway. Chris could not estimate the impact on local road use for such transportation at this stage. Chris indicated they would address this is in one of the newsletters once the provider(s) were known.
- Access to the Gully from Battle Hill area will be required to move in the Excavators and heavy equipment. They will come in through Paekakariki Hill Road. Once the equipment is in there it be working north and south along the gully route until it reaches SH58 in the south and SH1 in the north. So there will be no prolonged entry and exit of such vehicles.
- There will be no continual movements of truck & trailers as the transportation of dirt will on average be only 900 metres. As one hill is cut, the next gully is filled. No fill material is planned to be moved across SH58.
- SH58 will go underneath Transmission Gully, as will all local roads.
- Local history information is held by Leighton's contractors and can be shared with the community. Requests for such access need to be made to the contact details below.
- Lauren McKenzie indicated they welcome the opportunity to come back to the next PRA AGM to provide a progress update.
- If you have other questions please provide them to Lauren McKenzie at

Pauatahanui Village Planning

Anna Dellow is the PRA Management Committee representative for Pauatahanui Village planning. Anna works closely with Porirua City Council's (PCC) Ian Barlow and Claire Giblin, along with our local Councillor Bronwyn Kropp.

Anna Dellow provided an update on the Village Plan achievements over the past year and the work currently being planned. Cnlr Kropp indicated that the Village Plan remains the community's plan. PRA and the PCC work in partnership to action it. Claire Giblin, Cnlr Kropp and Anna undertook an exercise with residents to brainstorm what they:

- love about the Village and want to retain
- What they would like to change in the village
- What opportunities they see for the Village in the future

Refer to the presentation on the PRA website www.pauatahanui.org.nz for details. The results of residents' brainstorming will be discussed at an upcoming PRA Management Committee meeting.

Te Aro Piko Walkway

Anna introduced Andrew Gray and Ron Lucas who briefed the meeting on the Te Aro Piko journey to date and the plans for the next stages of its development over the next year. Key points included:

- Users of the pathway have increased from around 19 per day in Oct 2005 to 86 per day in April 2015.
- There has been the best bird breeding season in seven years this year and there is less rubbish around the Inlet.
- The next section to be completed is from Motukaraka Point to Camborne.
- The Camborne walkway is the busiest walkway in Porirua, so it is expected walkers will continue onto the new walkway once built.
- Planning for the new 1.8km walkway is underway with construction hoped to commence in December 2015, subject to resource consents.
- The cost is estimated at \$2m. Half to be funded by Council and half to be raised by Rotary.
- Ron Lucas thanked residents and community groups for their ongoing support of the project.
- A restoration nursery is now operating on Paekakariki Hill Road. This will assist with any restoration planting required as the build progresses.
- Stout and weasel traps are also set which volunteers check regularly. The last round of trappings only caught one rat which is viewed as an indication of reducing rodent numbers.
- 12 people within Rotary now run the project and produced the publicity flyover video of the pathway.
- A fun run/walk is planned in November 2015.
- There is now a dedicated website for the pathway <http://tearapiko.org.nz/>

Please refer to PRA website www.pauatahanui.org.nz for a copy of his presentation.

Questions Asked

The following questions were raised:

- Q. What is happening to assist parking on Grays Road/Paekakariki Hill Road corner? A. We have gone to tender to get some understanding of the costs and what would be involved to get this area reconfigured. Some Village Planning and Pathway funds may be used to support this work.
 - Q. Motukaraka Point is one of the few dog "off-leash" exercise areas. How will dog control be managed throughout the reserve? A. Council is undertaking a Dog Policy review. It was also acknowledged that better signage and maps of such areas could assist in the future.
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2. Apologies

The Chair noted apologies received.

3. Approval of

The draft minutes from the previous AGM held on 20 May 2014 were **moved** as a true and correct record by Ken McAdam and **seconded** by Diane Strugnell.

minutes	Noted there were no matters arising.
4. Acknowledgements	<p>The Chair thanked the current PRA Management Committee for their significant work and contributions over the past year. In particular Anna Dellow for her work with Council and community groups on Village Planning which has made significant improvements to the Village.</p> <p>The Chair recognised the resignation of John Mazerier who has contributed significant time and effort to the committee over several years, including as past Chairman and in helping organise fundraising associated with the History book.</p> <p>The Chair recognised the resignation of the Secretary Erica Nicholls, who is moving away from the area. The Chairman thanked Erica for her contributions, particularly to developing the monthly newsletter.</p>
5. Chair's Annual Report	<p>Ken McAdam presented his Chairman's report. Ken highlighted the significant successes and thanked the PRA Management Committee and supporters as without their work nothing would have happened. Highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on behalf of residents with Council to remove some of the ambiguity around licences for septic tanks. • The men's breakfast group made up from three local churches repaired two graves in the Pauatahanui cemetery with generous donations from Purser Contracting Ltd who donated a truck load of builders mix and the use of a concrete mixer. Challenge Pauatahanui donated the cement and with some willing workers we achieved a great result. The success of this work has led to a request to assist repair seven more graves. <p>The Chairman's Report was moved by Diane Strugnell and seconded by Jo Cross.</p>
6. Treasurers Report	<p>Diane Strugnell tabled the Pauatahanui Residents Association financial statements covering the Association's General account and History Account.</p> <p>The appointment of Gillian Cross as PRA auditor for the coming financial year was moved by Diane and seconded by Ken.</p> <p>Please refer to the website for a full set of accounts www.pauatahanui.org.nz.</p> <p>The Treasurer's Report was moved by Diane Strugnell and seconded by Jo Cross.</p>
7. Election of Management Committee & Chair	<p>Members of the Management Committee for 2015/16 were nominated and elected as follows:</p> <p>Ken McAdam [Chair] – nominated Diane, seconded Jo</p> <p>Diane Strugnell [Treasurer] – nominated Jo, seconded Ken</p> <p>Secretary [vacancy] – no nominations received. Committee to assign this role Moved Ken seconded from the floor, none against the motion.</p> <p>Committee members nominated Ken: Anna Dellow, Nicky Chapman, Joanne Cross, Andrew Manning moved Nicky, , seconded from the floor, none against the motion.</p> <p>Request for nominations to join the Management Committee from the floor:</p> <p>Lynne Hayes nominated Diane, seconded Ken</p> <p>Maria McDonald nominated by Anna, seconded by Diane</p> <p>Attendees were asked to see Ken McAdam or email pauatahanuiresidents@gmail.com if they are interested in becoming a member of the Management Committee, or coming along to a meeting to see if it interests you.</p>
8. General Business	<p>No other business.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.40pm.</p> <p>Next ordinary meeting</p> <p>Next ordinary meeting of the PRA will be held at 7.30pm, Thursday 18 June 2014, venue to be advised.</p>
Approved by:	<p>Ken McAdam Chairman Pauatahanui Residents Association Management Committee</p>