

# MINUTES OF PAUATAHANUI RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Date of meeting:	13 October 2020
Time:	7.30pm
Venue:	21 Paekakariki Hill Road [Anna's home]
Members Present:	Karyn Herbert [Acting Chair] Diane Strugnell [Secretary] Jo Cross [Treasurer] Anna Dellow Micky Reilly Stephen Knox
Apologies:	Ken McAdam
In Attendance:	Jenny Blake, Tracey Davies, Sandi Johnston, Kirstine Thompson – Murphys Road/Judgeford Residents

## Items

### 1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.

### 2. Willowbank Quarry & Judgeford Flats Future Industrial Zone

The meeting was addressed by Jenny Blake and Tracey Davies regarding the Willowbank Quarry and by Sandi Johnston and Kirstine Thompson regarding the Proposed District Plan use of Judgeford Flats.

#### **Willowbank Quarry**

Willowbank Quarry was reopened to provide materials needed for Transmission Gully and the consent for the quarry operation was due to expire at the end of December 2020. Currently a consent application is being made to extend the use of the quarry for a further 5 years with residents understanding that this could be extended to 35 years. A quarry in the Rural Zone is a discretionary activity under the District Plan and does not require the consent to be notified beyond those Council consider to be affected parties.

The residents attending the meeting expressed their concerns over Council processes including limitations to the matters that Council will or can consider within the consent, determinations over who is considered affected, time frames within the consent process and the impacts of potentially large-scale activities in proximity to rural lifestyle blocks.

#### **Judgeford Flats Future Urban Zone**

The Proposed District Plan identifies the area alongside SH58 from Murphys Road to the Judgeford Golf Course as being "needed and

suitable for industrial use". There are currently a number of small businesses operating in this area and there is support for them continuing to operate. There is however concern that the proposed development beyond these will lead to industrialisation of the area, destroying the character and amenity values of the Rural Zone. The residents attending the meeting expressed disappointment that the Council had not taken note of the concerns and views expressed by residents during the earlier stages of the plan process, thereby placing extra stresses on them during the more formal part of the District Plan process.

The Committee thanked Tracey, Jenny, Sandi and Kirstine for attending and presenting their views and agreed to give them due consideration.

### **3. Approval of minutes**

The minutes from the previous meeting, held on 8 September 2020, were **moved** by Anna and **seconded** by Jo

### **4. Matters arising**

The Committee **noted** that all Matters Arising would be addressed within the agenda items.

### **5. Treasurer's Report**

Jo tabled the Treasurer's report:

Balances:

- General Account \$4923.30 (includes \$861.33 Pest Free funds)
- History Account \$10657.36
- History Term Deposit \$11,489.04

Transactions - Income:

Book sales- \$42.25

Subscriptions - \$60.00

Term Deposit Interest - \$51.61

### **6. Village Planning/**

**Lighthouse Cinema Carpark Security** - Nothing to report

**Burial Ground Notice Board** - Discussion on renewing the information on the notice board is ongoing. A meeting of the Burial Ground Committee is being arranged. Anna has now given Micky all the Burial Ground information that she received from Sharon Evans.

**Rural Information Pack** - It was agreed that the information that has been gathered so far is now ready to be shared. Diane will forward the document to those people PRA have asked to review the information. Once their feedback has been received the final editing can be done.

There was some discussion about the inclusion of the Business Contact section. It was noted that, although this was information that was often sought, it is challenging to decide which businesses to include. It was agreed to leave this section at the moment but to consider how this information might be gathered and shared.

**Village Asset Maintenance** - Jo and Anna have made contact with Kansas Davis, Community Curriculum Coordinator, Pauatahanui School, over the possibility of students having involvement in community projects.

**Porirua Pathways** - Diane has continued to work with the developers of the Porirua Pathways App. The information from the current History Trail has been entered into the app and the sites correctly identified on a map. Now that the basic information is in place, further work is being done on the app with frequent testing to ensure its functionality.

**Roading** - PCC's roading team have continued to provide regular updates for residents of the roads currently undergoing major works. The work on Harris Road is now complete. The first stage of tree removal from Belmont Road has been completed and shortly work will start on some of the road surfaces, culverts and drainage channels. Work is continuing on the repairs to Moonshine Road.

One of the roading projects that PRA has long advocated for has been a roundabout at the intersection of Grays Road and Paekakariki Hill Road. It has been confirmed that this project is in the Council's "deficiency database". The deficiency database is the tool Council uses to assess the risk that each safety issue represents by taking into account traffic volumes, road type, crash history and other data. This is then ranked against other safety issues across the city to determine priorities alongside the available budget so that the top priorities are addressed first. PRA will continue to advocate for this project when there are opportunities such as submissions to the Long Term Plan.

## **7. Topical issues**

### **District Plan Consultation**

Porirua City has released the Proposed District Plan for consultation. PRA circulated a "quick guide" to help people access the ePlan. It was agreed that PRA would encourage residents to check how the Proposed District Plan is likely to affect them and to make submissions based on any areas of concern. Concerns have been expressed across a number of areas with most related to the Significant Natural Areas. Submissions are open until Friday 20 November.

### **GW Parks Network Plan**

Greater Wellington has released the Proposed Parks Network Plan which includes Battle Hill Farm Forest Park and Belmont Regional Park. PRA did not submit on the previous Parks Network Plan and will not do so this time. A reminder will be sent to residents to check out the Plan provisions for the two parks in the Pauatahanui area, that is, Battle Hill and Belmont. Submissions are open until Friday 23 October.

### **Transmission Gully**

Nothing to report.

### **SH58**

Nothing to report.

### **Development of former Tuk Tuk Site, 39 Paekakariki Hill Road**

The hearing for the resource consent for the development of 39 Paekakariki Hill Road has been held. The Hearing Commissioner's decision is to be released on Friday 16 October.

### **Motukaraka Point**

PRA is waiting to hear from Council regarding a meeting between the residents of Motukaraka Point and the different departments of Council, especially Parks and Roding, to address the concerns raised.

### **Belmont Road Community Water Station**

PRA has continued to follow up with Council, Wellington Water and WREMO (Wellington Region Emergency Management Office) regarding the siting of the Community Water Station at the end of Belmont Road. Two issues have been noted

- the appropriateness of siting a water treatment station for emergency use in the rural area away from where it is most likely to be required in an emergency
- the position of the container meaning that the school bus can no longer pull off SH58 but stops across the entrance to Belmont Road. It has been noted by Wellington Water and NZTA, who had to approve the site, that the bus has never been officially allowed to stop at the end of Belmont Road. The "official bus stop" for Belmont Road students is at the end of Murphys Road where there is a safe setback from the State Highway.

### **Wally Brown Memorial**

Jo has been given approval to purchase a rose bush that will be planted in the rose garden beside the school drive, in memory of Wally and NancyBrown.

## **8. Other Business**

### **School Archives**

Micky reported that progress is being made on the school archiving project.

### **Burial Ground Roses**

In January 2021 Micky will be taking over the Burial Ground Roses from Rosemary Paterson. Working bees are held four times a year on a weekend and Micky is keen to have any volunteers to help. She noted that this season is going to be a very good year for the roses flowering.

## **9. Communications**

### **Newsletter**

A newsletter will be prepared with particular emphasis on encouraging residents to submit on the Proposed District Plan. Other points can include volunteers for the roses, considering animal welfare on Guy Fawkes night, Annual Inlet Clean Up and the PRA membership form.

### **Facebook**

The Facebook group is going well and PRA is sharing some information through the Pauatahanui Community and Pauatahanui Neighbourhood groups.

## **10. Correspondence**

The following correspondence was **noted**

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### **Correspondence – Inwards**

09/09	Sam Bishop, WREMO – Belmont Road Community Water Station
11/09	Greater Wellington – Parks Network Plan Consultation
16/09	Jaina Wilkins – District Plan
17/09	Jenny Brash, GW Councillor - GW Parks Network Plan Consultation
18/09	Ron Stevens – MPI Lifestyle Block Survey
22/09	Sam Bishop, WREMO – Belmont Road Community Water Station
24/09	Sandi Johnston – District Plan & Willowbank Quarry

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24/09 Jenny Blake – Willowbank Quarry  
24/09 Nick Hewer-Hewitt, Wellington Water - Belmont Road Community  
Water Station  
30/09 Steve Foothead - Significant Natural Areas  
01/10 Nigel Walsh - District Plan  
09/10 Guardians of Pauatahanui Inlet – Annual Inlet Clean Up

PCC Village Planning – Bill Inge  
PCC Roding – Claire Giblin  
PCC Democratic Services – Council meeting documents  
Finn Beattie, iSparx – Porirua Pathways

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### **Correspondence - Outwards**

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16/09 PCC Roding Team – Thanks  
25/09 Bradley Roberts, Pauatahanui School – School Bus stops

PCC Village Planning – Bill Inge  
PCC Roding – Claire Giblin  
Finn Beattie, iSparx – Porirua Pathways

September Minutes  
Quick Guide to District Plan

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### **Next meeting**

Tuesday 10 November 2020

483 Paekakariki Hill Road [Jo's home]

**Meeting closed at 9.40 pm**