

MINUTES OF PĀUATAHANUI RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Date of meeting:	9 May 2023
Time:	7.30pm
Venue:	483 Paekakariki Hill Road (Jo's home)
Members Present:	Jo Cross [Acting Chairperson] Diane Strugnell [Secretary] Anna Dellow Laurie Watkins Micky Reilly Ian Kearney
Apologies:	Ken McAdam [Chairperson] Karyn Herbert Richard Bourne
In Attendance:	Mary Jones Cr Josh Trlin

Items

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting and noted apologies.

It was agreed to discuss the Annual Plan 2023-24 as the first item on the agenda.

2. PCC Annual Plan

There was lengthy discussion on Porirua City Council's Annual Plan 2023-24 which is open for consultation. The significant increase in rates for the Pāuatahanui community is causing considerable concern. It was also noted that a number of residents wanting to put in submissions are looking for more information. Cr Trlin provided some of the background to the Council's approach. The Committee discussed the impacts of rates increases including the increase in the rural differential and of property values as well as the disproportionate rates burden on rural landowners compared to services received from Council. PRA has received requests for information and guidance on the submission process which it is responding to. PRA will be putting in a submission on behalf of residents but is also encouraging residents make their own submissions and to speak to these at the Annual Plan hearings on 25 May.

3. Approval of minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting, held on 4 April 2023, were **moved** by Diane and **seconded** by Jo.

Minutes

4. Treasurer's Report

Jo tabled the Treasurer's Report which was then taken as read:

PRA \$4,855.05

includes PRA \$3,220.77, Pest Free \$557.35 & Freshwater Catchment \$799.85

History A/c \$10,007.55

History Term Deposit \$11743.17

Transactions

PRA

Income

Subscriptions \$280.00

Expenses

\$10 Bank fee

History A/c

Book sales \$191.75

Interest Income \$14.98

5. Village Planning

Changes to Parking in Village

Further to the change to the two parks immediately outside the public toilets which will now have a 10 minute time limit, the possibility of one of these being changed to a mobility park was discussed. Cr Trlin noted that Council is currently reviewing parking across the city and that Cr Hayward has a particular interest in ensuring that there are mobility parks available.

Burial Ground Path

Ken is exploring the possibilities for formalising access to the Burial Ground. Nothing further to report.

6. Topical issues

SH58 Safety Upgrade

The closure of SH58 from Friday 28 April to Monday 1 May to enable more work to be done on the section of road between Harris Road and Moonshine Road went ahead as planned. Predominantly the feedback from residents has been that the plans put in place worked well. It was noted that, on the Saturday, the signs stopping non-residents from using Moonshine Hill Road and Moonshine Road were missing from the Riverstone Terraces entrance. These were replaced by Downers promptly. It was also noted that exiting Mulhern Road was made difficult by the cars queued for checking. It is likely that there will be similar road closures in the future and the suggestion has been made that residents could be issued with a card as Paekakariki Hill Road residents were when their road was subject to closures. Diane will provide the feedback to Downers.

Transmission Gully

Nothing to report.

Belmont Regional Park

PRA has written to Greater Wellington noting concerns regarding how, if the land is not actively farmed, Greater Wellington intends to manage pest control of both animal and plant pests. A reply has not yet been received.

7. Group Reports

Public Burial Ground

Micky reported that the shed at the Burial Ground was broken into. Nothing was stolen or damaged. Residents are being asked to take note of any suspicious activity in the area.

The PCC gardening staff have now spent more time at the Burial Ground, freeing up the volunteers to focus on the roses.

Pest Free Pāuatahanui

The next Pest Free meeting is on 23 May. Jo will provide a further update at the next Committee meeting

Freshwater Catchment Community

Nothing to report.

8. General Business

Annual General Meeting

The date for the Annual General Meeting has been set for 7.30pm Tuesday 18 July at Judgeford Golf Club. A possible guest speaker for the meeting has yet to be confirmed.

9. Correspondence

The following correspondence was **noted**

Correspondence - Inwards

5/04	Mia Matheson, Manager Strategy & Planning, PCC – Council happenings
10/04	Richard Matthews – Website photo
10/04	Heather Mason, BHFFP Ranger – Puketiro Loop Access Update
11/04	Liz Nichols, PCC – Waste management minimisation
17/04	Andrew Frazer – Village culvert
18/04	Mike George, Road Safety Coordinator, PCC – Parking bylaw consultation outcome
19/04	Geoff Gore – Parking bylaw
21/04	Rebecca Dobbs, Greater Wellington – Belmont Regional Park
21/04	Chris Kirk-Burnnand, GW Councillor – Belmont Regional Park
21/04	Chris Kirk-Burnnand, GW Councillor – GW Budget increase
25/04	Peter Walsh, National Quarries Manager, Fulton Hogan – Willowbank Quarry Community Liaison meeting
26/04	GOPI newsletter
26/04	Liz Nichols, PCC – Waste management minimisation
27/04	Donald Love – Lanes Flat
1/05	Donald Love – Submission on PCC Annual Plan
1/05	Barbara Becker, Stakeholder & Communications Manager, Downer – SH58 Weekend close

Claire Giblin, PCC Customer Liaison, Transport – Road
PCC Democratic Services – Council meeting documents
Wellington Electricity – Communication for Residents
Jack Marshall, Manager, Democratic Services, PCC – Proposed District Plan Hearing
SH 58 closure – Resident feedback

Total emails inwards 79

Correspondence - Outwards

10/04 Heather Mason, BHFFP Ranger – Battle Hill Updates
11/04 Richard Matthews – Website photo
19/04 Nigel Corry, Chief Executive, Greater Wellington – Belmont
Regional Park
24/04 Geoff Gore – Parking bylaw
1/05 Barbara Becker, Stakeholder & Communications Manager,
Downer – SH58 Weekend close
1/05 Donald Love – Submission on PCC Annual Plan

April Minutes
PCC - Roothing notices
Wellington Electricity – Communications for Residents
SH 58 Weekend Close
BHFFP Puketiro Loop Access update

Total emails outwards 45

Next meeting

7.30pm Tuesday 6 June 21 Paekakariki Hill Road (Anna's home)

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm