

PĀUATAHANUI RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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Date of meeting:	16 August 2022
Time:	7.00pm – 8.15pm
Venue:	Judgeford Golf Club, SH58, Judgeford
Committee present:	Ken McAdam [Chairperson], Joanne Cross [Treasurer] Diane Strugnell [Secretary], Michaela Reilly, Ian Kearney
In attendance	Mayor Anita Baker, PCC Councillors Josh Trlin, Nathan Waddle, Ross Leggett, GW Councillor Chris Kirk- Burnnand plus 57 residents
Apologies:	Anna Dellow, Karyn Herbert, GW Councillor Jenny Brash, Roger Watkin, Donna Kennedy & Anne Wilson (Riding for Disabled)

Items	Minutes
1. Welcome	The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting
2. Apologies	The apologies were noted
3. Guest Speakers	<p>State Highway 58 Update.</p> <p>Emma Speight, Director Regional Relationships, Greater Wellington & Top of the South, Waka Kotahi, presented an update on the State Highway 58 upgrade. She was joined by Ulvi Salayev, Roading Engineer and Joel Rowan, Communications Advisor.</p> <p>Points that they made in the presentation were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- SH58 was identified as the most dangerous section of road in the Lower North Island.- the funding is solely associated with designing for safety so there are some improvements that can be taken but there are others, such as four-laning, which cannot be taken using the safety criteria.- as costs have increased, the scope has had to remain within the cost envelope. The budget for Stages 2a and 2b is \$105 million.- currently they are working on Stage 2 of the project with Stage 2a being Mt Cecil to Harris Road and Stage 2b being Harris to Moonshine Road. The resource consents for Stage 2b have been completed.- the roundabouts at Moonshine and Flightys-Murphys Roads are more complex and are at 80% of the design phase- the bridge on Flightys Road is not part of the project scope. This remains under Porirua City Council's jurisdiction- there is acknowledgement that sections of the highway between Moonshine Road and Transmission Gully are flood prone- the intended road surface is one for a lower road noise surface- modelling shows that traffic speeds across the road will be at 80kph

On viewing the images shown in the presentation and hearing the points made, attendees at the meeting raised a number of questions and concerns

1. The east-bound passing lane from Moonshine Road to Harris Road has been removed. This means that if there is a slow vehicle there is no opportunity to pass this vehicle between TG and SH2. The slowness of vehicles moving through the area where the passing lane was previously will be exacerbated by the fact that, especially heavy vehicles, will be moving from a low speed due to the Moonshine roundabout and are unlikely to be able to pick up speed through this area. It was felt that safety was likely to be severely compromised by other vehicles attempting to overtake slow vehicles within the narrowed road width.

The other concern is that more vehicles could choose to use Moonshine Road-Moonshine Hill Road as an alternative route, turning it into a "rat run". This road is not designed for potential traffic of that nature.

It was noted by residents of Harris Road that the current absence of the passing lane has made the SH58-Harris Road intersection much safer.

WK response - Modelling shows that the speed of vehicles using the road will be at the 80kph speed limit

2. With the removal of the east-bound passing lane, should a vehicle break down, other vehicles will not be able to pass so what would happen?

WK response - The road would be closed for the time needed to repair or move the vehicle.

3. Earlier plans showed the Moonshine and Flightys-Murphys roundabouts as being two lane but these are currently shown as single lane.

WK response - Dual lanes in a roundabout are good for traffic flow but a single lane is better for safety, the focus of this upgrade project.

4. The future proofing to allow for future increases in traffic appears to have gone. The economic importance of SH58 functioning well was also pointed out, as was its importance as part of the regional traffic network.

WK response - Non-specific

5. The bus stop for the school buses at Moonshine Road is not shown.

WK response- Although not shown, they have been allowed for.

6. Access to St Joseph's Church, including parking and pathways, is unfinished.

WK response - The SH58 upgrade finishes before the church so the concerns here need to be addressed to the TG team.

There was a lot of anger and disappointment expressed by meeting attendees over the information presented. It was noted that none of the points raised by residents at the earlier community consultations had been taken listened to. The overwhelming sentiment expressed was that, whilst this is announced as a project purely for safety purposes, the removal of the passing lane and the lack of provision for the school buses increase the risks to all road users including students, pedestrians and cyclists.

The presentation and discussion concluded when it was agreed that no further progress on the issues would be made.

Note: After the meeting had closed, one of the Waka Kotahi team returned to the meeting to state that

- The passing lane going up the hill for slow trucks will be re-instated.
- The bus bay and parking at Moonshine Road will be re-instated in a slightly different way but it will be there.

PRA is waiting to get confirmation of this.

4. Approval of 2021 minutes

Motion: That the minutes from the previous AGM held on 28 March 2021 are a true and correct record.

Moved: Ken McAdam **Seconded:** Ruth Bound **Carried**

5. Chair's Annual Report

Ken McAdam noted that the Chairperson's report would be tabled and circulated with the minutes. He thanked the members of the Committee for their work over the past year.

The Chairperson's report will also be put on the website www.Pauatahanui.org.nz

6. Treasurer's Report

Jo Cross tabled the Pāuatahanui Residents Association financial statements covering the Association's General account and History Account for the year ending 31 March 2022.

The financial statement will be put on the website www.Pauatahanui.org.nz

Motion: That the accounts for the year ending March 2022 are accepted and approved.

Moved: Jo Cross **Seconded:** Laurie Watkins **Carried**

7. Election of Management Committee

Nominations were received for the Management Committee positions
Chairperson - Ken McAdam **Moved** Diane Strugnell **Seconded** Ruth Bound

Secretary - Diane Strugnell **Moved** Ken McAdam **Seconded** Jo Cross
Treasurer - Jo Cross **Moved** Diane Strugnell **Seconded** Nicky Chapman

Committee members - Nominations were received for current Committee members Anna Dellow, Michaela Reilly, Karyn Herbert and Ian Kearney and for new Committee members Richard Bourne and Laurie Watkins

Moved Ken McAdam **Seconded** Jo Cross
All nominations were accepted and **Carried**

8. Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Next committee meeting

Tuesday 6 September – 7.30pm

Chairperson's report to Annual General Meeting 16 August 2022

Installation of Lighthouse Cinema security camera - PRA has funded the installation of a security camera at the Lighthouse Cinema. Security in and around the Lighthouse Cinema car park was flagged as a concern in the 2016-17 Pauatahanui Future Focus review. We were pleased to work with the Lighthouse Cinema, Porirua City Council and NZ Police to find solutions including clearing of vegetation, improvement to lighting and finally the installation of the security camera. The camera records activity across the bridge to the car park. PRA has an agreement with the Lighthouse Cinema that "any recorded material will not be disclosed to a third party or made available for any commercial or private use. On request the recorded material will be made available to the New Zealand Police or its authorised agent."

Rural 101 – Last year we launched the section of our website providing information on rural living, particularly intended for those new to rural living. It included topics such as local authorities, lifestyle farming, land management and community. As part of this a fridge magnet was provided to every household on the rural delivery as well as to local real estate agents to provide to new residents.

Village Planning – Currently there is no funding from Porirua City Council towards new projects but PRA has been working with Council on the review into Village Planning. Meanwhile we have worked with the Council on the maintenance of assets installed under Village Planning including the History Trail, gardens and seats and are currently working with Council on improving access to and maintenance of the public toilets.

Pest Free Pauatahanui works under PRA to protect native wildlife. Traps for rats, mice and stoats can be supplied to households in the Pāuatahanui area for a small koha of \$20 per year. There is also a cat trap available for hire.

The Pāuatahanui Freshwater Catchment Community has been set up this year by the PRA to provide information and support to residents of Pāuatahanui wanting to improve the freshwater quality and biodiversity in the local streams and waterways.

History Group - The PHG set up in 2013 to produce the book Pauatahanui – a local history by Helen Reilly with the support and sponsorship of PRA. Funds from the sales are set aside specifically for projects associated with preserving, protecting and recording the unique history of this area. There are ongoing sales of the book through PRA, TradeMe and the local outlets of Paper Plus and Pataka.

Public Burial Ground - PRA has representation on the Friends of Pāuatahanui Public Burial Ground group. Although managed by the Council as a cemetery local input has been essential towards the maintenance of the burial ground, its history and the special collection of heritage roses.

TG Meeting – In June PRA hosted meetings regarding the Transmission Gully motorway. Meeting with the representatives from Waka Kotahi and Transmission Gully were 26 residents from Paekakariki Hill Road, Bradey Road & Mulhern Road and 20 residents from Flightys Road. Concerns expressed were primarily in relation to noise from the road that was above and beyond both expectations and what residents felt able to cope with. The Committee has expressed

disappointment over the “finger pointing” and the lack of responsibility for actions being taken by Waka Kotahi and the TG project.

Generally PRA continues to work with Council over roading - still very much a work in progress with no easy outcomes. We have had involvement in the Proposed District Plan process We also have had ongoing involvement with PCC and Waka Kotahi on tidying up following the construction of TG, for example, Lanes Flat and connecting paths from Village as well as revocation issues i.e. how Waka Kotahi deals with portions of SH58 that are no longer to be retained by Waka Kotahi.

We note that two of our council representatives are standing down at these elections, Jenny Brash from Greater Wellington and Euon Murrell from PCC. We thank them for their efforts on our behalf over their respective terms. Over the past year we have had Council representation at our meetings from Councillors Josh Trlin and Nathan Waddle and we would like to thank them for this.

Finally, a sincere thanks to the PRA committee members who have helped make this such a good year!

Ken McAdam
Chairperson

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