

MINUTES OF THE MEADOWBANK AND ST JOHNS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

HELD AT ST CHAD'S CHURCH MEADOWBANK ON TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2014 AT 7.30PM

Attendees: Ruth Mackintosh, David Reid, Ian McLean, Lynda McCarthy, SK Thuraisundaram, Lakshman Abeynaike, Roger Williams, Kate Cooke (OLB), Patrick Hodgson, Linda Jones, Amanda Nicholas, Sylvia Lund, Carmel Claridge, Kevin Kevany.

Apologies: Tim Duguid, Francis Lai, and Troy Churton (OLB)

Minutes from previous minutes: Approved:

Seconded:

Matters arising: None

1. Events

- Christmas Carols – thanks to those who delivered flyers. We have been asked to assist with the bouncy castle and the bar-b-ques and we will also need a couple of volunteers to man the information table.
 - Volunteers – BBQ's – Sylvia and David
 - Bouncy Castle – Lynda
 - Information table – Ruth
 - Patrick will float and assist where needed. Volunteers to be there at 4.30pm. Ian, Thurai, Amanda and Lakshman put in apologies as they will not be able to attend. Ruth hopes to get to the Orakei Local Board office so that we can have on the table, information on the Eastern Cycle Path, the Long Term Plan and the AT Parking proposal.
- St John's College Open Day. This has been set for the 21st March 2015 from 2pm. There will be a 15-20 minute welcome from the Head of the College and the College Historian and then small groups will be taken on a tour of the grounds. Afternoon tea maybe offered but this has yet to be confirmed. There will be no parking available on the college grounds on the day.
 - We will organise the printing and development of the flyers as well as the delivery and the College will pay for the printing.

2. Transportation

- **Parking outside Meadow.** The key issue is people parking longer than the 30 minute restriction currently in place and also using the St Chad's carpark to park while they are at Meadow. AT is going to look at keeping parking outside shops at 15 minutes, which is in line with the parking down Meadowbank Road. The parking on the opposite side of the road will not be changed. Parking meters are not the solution; better signage needs to be put in place. Nothing will be done until next year. The next stage is consultation, which should be quick, as everyone is in agreement that change needs to take place.

The big concern is how Meadow and St Chad's are going to deal with people using the St Chad's carpark and this is not something that the resident's association can deal with.

- **Transportation/Traffic Sub-committee** – is anyone interested in joining this and/or running this? If so please contact Ruth. They would cover ongoing parking issues, number of

intersections that the wider community has concerns about, St John's corridor management plan and AT Parking proposals.

- Eastern Pathway – the next section is from Merton Road to St Johns Road following the railway line. Section 2 is from St Johns Road to Orakei Basin Walkway. Meadowbank won't have access until Purewa Reserve, as it is currently proposed to put the walkway on the Northern side of the railway tracks. Submissions have now closes. Numbers count, the more noise made the more we will be listened to. It was decided that the Resident's association would make a submission, the focus being on more connections to the walkway.

AT have said that they will come to the February meeting to present the plan for the walkway.

3. General Business

- It was decided that the Association will to host our own event to discuss the **Long Term Plan**. It was discussed and agreed that we would go with the date that the Orakei Local Board set as they have also set the dates for the other Resident's Association. OLB will advertise the meetings and arrange and book the venues. We may work in with Stonefields or Ellerslie if it is decided it is viable.
- Soccer Stadium – as far as the OLB is concerned at the moment it is fine. The area looks tidy and weed free for the moment.
- Meadowbank Train Station – there has been a report that there has been an increase in vandalism to cars of commuters who park their cars at the train station when they catch the train into town. Police have stepped up their patrols and Auckland Council is going to get the trees in the area pruned.
- Newsletter – Amanda, Ruth and Carlos have been working on the Association Newsletter. Mailchimp will be used to deliver the newsletter and at this stage we are looking at doing it every two months with the first one due to go out in January.

Treasurer's Report – Opening balance \$2,954. Outgoings \$270 for Bouncy Castle for the Community Carols event. Income - \$10 donation. Closing balance \$2,694.

Two invoices were presented for approval for payment – one for Two Sparrows for the amount of \$124.20 and Amanda Nicholas for her website work and Facebook Plugin \$578.28 Approved – Ruth Seconded – Thurai.

St Chad's are once again doing Christmas Dinner this year. It was agreed that we would promote it on our website and facebook page.

Trees at the Retirement Village on Meadowbank Road are being replaced. If anyone would like more information please contact Roger Williams.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm. **Please note the January meeting will be a week later than usual – 14th January 2015 at 7.30pm at St Chad's Church Hall Meadowbank.**