

Minutes of the Meadowbank and St Johns Residents Association

Held at St Chad's Church Meadowbank on Tuesday 4th February 2014 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Ruth Mackintosh, Lynda McCarthy, David Reid, Patrick Hodgson, Troy Churton & Kate Cooke (Orakei Local Board), Kevin Kevany, Joan & Peter Dooly, Des Laery, Roger Williams, Dorthe Siggard, Mary Hills, Terry Lord, Judith Everitt, Oliver Roberts, SK Thurai, Amanda Bethell

Apologies: Ian & Margaret McLean, Roy Menzies, Linda Jones, Desley Simpson

Minutes from Previous Meeting: Approved: Kevin **Seconded:** David

Treasurers Report: Approved: David **Seconded:** Kevin

Agenda Items

1) Unitary Plan

- a) Wednesday 19th Feb @ 5.30pm the Unitary Subcommittee have a meeting with the council planner.
- b) Local Expo 15th February from 1 to 4pm at St Chad's Hall. There will be more than the just the Unitary Plan, there will also be information on the Annual Plan. You will be able to fill out a survey on Hobson Bay Master Plan along with info on dog related by-laws and other information relevant to the Orakei Local Board area. There will be a board member and council officer at each of the table for people to talk to.

We need all MSJRA members to make a submission. You can just write a letter, but you do need to include your name and address. The Local Board Office, in Meadowbank Mall, has a template for submissions. You can choose what you submit on – you don't have to submit on everything. Hard copies of this are available from the local board office in Meadowbank Mall, all libraries and Auckland Council Service Centres.

Ruth will end out an email with links for submission. Email to contain links only.

It was also discussed if we should have a subcommittee for the Annual Plan. It was thought that maybe the Unitary Plan Committee could have a look at the Annual Plan. Annual Plan submissions are due 24th February – four days before the unitary Plan submissions are due.

2) AT Update

- a) There is no update on proposed traffic calming measure on Meadowbank Road
- b) Troy rang Ken Bagley the Traffic Representative on the Orakei Local Board regarding what is happening to control traffic, on the corner of Abbotts Way and Grand Drive. There is on consensus as to what is to be done here and it has been included in the Annual Plan.
- c) The next Orakei Local Board is March 6 at 3:30 pm at St Chads Church and Community Centre, 38 St Johns Road, Meadowbank. Open to the Public.

3) Get Ready, Get Thru Evening 25th February 2014

- a) Everything has been confirmed for the evening.
- b) Flyer has been approved by the Orakei Local Board and Civil Defence.
- c) Flyer delivery – Patrick will draw up the list of what streets are assigned to everyone for flyer delivery.
- d) Meet and Greet – Dorothe
- e) Setting Up – David/Patrick/Terry Lord
- f) Bakers – Lynda/Amanda/Kate
- g) We will also look at having a Neighbours Day Table at the Civil Defence Evening

If anyone else would like to help on the evening, please let Ruth know.

- 4) Our AGM was raised. We are looking at Mid-June at St Chad's Community Centre. The discussion then turned to who we could look at ask to speak at the AGM. It was suggested the Mayor, Len Brown, Council for the Ward, Cameron Brewer or the Head of or someone high up in Auckland Transport.

A show of hands was asked for and there was more support for having both the Mayor and Cameron Brewer than just the Mayor. Ruth will contact both to see if one, either or both is interested in attending and speaking.

- 5) If there is anyone interested in, or knows of someone who would be interested in, writing a Meadowbank and St Johns history for the website please contact Ruth. We would like some content for the website. It was mentioned that someone thought there was a retired History Professor in Ipswich Place. If anyone knows of him/her and could either ask them or pass on their details to Ruth for her or one of the committee to contact them could you please let Ruth know?

- 6) St Johns Theological College is looking at re-development in the long term. The old buildings won't go but some of the older trees may go. Ultimately they have aspirations to develop their land. The sports field is also slated for a housing development.

7) General Business

- a) We received a thank you, from Roger Williams St Chad's Church, for publicising the Christmas Dinner that they had. It was a great success and they are going to run it again this year.
- b) Bistro type business is going in next to St Chad's Church.
- c) Cyrus Cafe @ the end of Meadowbank Road is worth a visit.
- d) Flight Plan for the planes is dictated in the Unitary Plan. The only way these can be amended or adjusted is via the Unitary Plan. Roger, Patrick, Troy and Kate would appreciate some more information on this.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 4th March at 7.30pm at St Chad's Church. All welcome.