Minutes of the Meadowbank & St Johns Resident's Association
Tuesday 6th September 2016 7.30pm at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank

Attendees: Tim Duguid, Lynda McCarthny, Barry Stewart, Lakshman Abeynaike, David Reid, SK Thurai, Kate Cooke (OLB) & 7 members of the public.

Apologies: Amanda Nicholas, Angus Rogers, Carmel Claridge, Dorthe Siggaard, Troy Churton (OLB)

Minutes from Previous Meeting: July & August minutes

Approved: Lakshman   **Seconded:** Thurai

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:
- Kevin Kevany's surname was spelt incorrectly
- Application has been lodged for the SHA on Meadowbank Road
- Thanks was made to Kate Cooke for all her work for & with the RA over the years she has been attending the Resident's Association monthly meetings. Kate is not standing for re-election this year.

Future Events

1. Meet the Candidates Evening
- Wednesday 14th September. All but one candidate will be there.
- The Ward Councillor candidates will have somewhat more time that the Local Board candidates. Housing, transport & rates will be the targeted topics.
- We will keep the focus on Meadowbank/St Johns/Kohi/Mission Bay.
- 7.15pm start time with the aim for tea/coffee to be served at 8.45pm
- Volunteers are required for the evening to help with set up & pack down.

2. Pourewa Valley Clean Up
- Sunday 18th September at 1.30pm.
- Access is behind ASB Stadium next to Selwyn College.
- Bring gloves, spades & gumboots.

3. Auckland Transport
- Tim has followed up with AT. We have a new rep for the Orakei area, Felicity Merrington, who is arranging for someone from AT to come & talk to us. Transport is a hot topic & we would like to know what they are planning for the area.
- AT did promise to put in signs giving speed and/or slow down on Meadowbank Road but these have yet to appear. Kate has offered to follow up on this to find out where it is at.

- Bus Service Extension to Meadowbank train station – every other train station will have a bus service nearby except Meadowbank.
- A motion was passed to support the proposed pedestrian crossing near the intersection of Meadowbank Road & Mt Carmel Place.

Approved: Tim   **Seconded:** Barry – the vote was unanimous.

- Tim will email AT about this and will also include the community constable for the area & Ken Baguley who holds the Transport Portfolio on the current Orakei Local Board.

4. Community Christmas Events

- Tim will contact St Chad's to see if they are planning to do anything this year.

Orakei Local Board Update (Kate Cooke)

- Grand Drive/Abbots Way lights are up & running. Feedback given at the RA meeting:
  - Could do with better indication to let people know that the left hand lane heading east on Abbotts Way is for left turn only;
  - People turning right out of Grand Drive are sometimes backed up when there is a bus stopped on Abbotts Way.
- The generally feeling it was safer for all.
- Kate will ask our AT rep, Felicity, to contact Tim about the feedback now that the lights have gone in.
- Mary Fitzgerald from Fairfax noted that she ran a poll on Neighbourly about the lights. She gave the results of this to AT & they are aware of some of the issues & AT are also working on the phasing of the lights.
- Opening date of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive shared path – no opening date as of yet.
- There is a speed camera on Ngapipi Road (both directions).
- Unitary Plan – is open for appeal until the 16th September.

General Business: Men's Shed Auckland East (Terry Moore)

- There will be a meeting at the Orakei Community Centre on the 28th September. They are looking for an empty site & would like to partner with other community groups to build a dual purpose building. They are going to talk to Stonefields about working with them to build something. Meanwhile they are interested in doing community projects. Contact them on aucklandeastmensshed@gmail.com if you have a worthwhile cause that they may be able to help.

Meeting closed at 8.44pm

Next meeting is Tuesday October 4th 2016 at 7.30pm at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank Road.

A reminder to pay your subs for 2016/2017 if you haven't already done so.