

Minutes of the Member Meeting of the Meadowbank & St John's Residents' Association held at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank on Tuesday 12th March 2019 at 7.30pm

Welcome: Chair Barry Stewart

Apologies: Kieran Tibble, Oliver Roberts, Carmel Claridge (OLB)

Minutes from Previous Meeting Approved.

Matters Arising:

- The Chair apologised for the lateness of posting the minutes on the website – it was a busy month.
- A new Treasurer has been appointed but a new Secretary is required as the incumbent is not standing for re-election.

Chairs Report

- Finances are in a healthy state.
- Financial membership sits at 141.
- There are 614 members on the database.
- Facebook likes are 1,000 as at 12 March 2019.
- Annual subs are now due and a prize draw will be held at the May Meeting for those members who have paid their subs by 30 April.
- The March newsletter went out in early March and the Chair commented that once again it was well produced by editor Anna Jackson who does an excellent job.

Environment Update

- There are 40 rat traps in place and we are having a rat trap distribution day on 11th May at Meadowbank Shopping Centre.
- Purewa St Development – we are currently considering which aspects of the concerns that have been expressed by local residents we can support. Traffic from the development may impact on the shared pathway and it may also have an adverse impact on the stormwater/wastewater problem in the area.

Transport

- At the public meeting on Gowing Drive traffic issues held jointly by MBSJRA and OLB, there were three speakers, one on behalf of local residents, Gerard Martin our Transport lead and Carmel Claridge from the OLB. They were followed by two senior people from Auckland Transport who appeared to be listening to the concerns expressed and outlined the measures they are considering. Since the meeting we have asked AT for a list of the actions they propose, and the timeframes involved. The petition on this issue has made further progress and will be available for signature at the AGM following which it will be presented to AT.
- We are making progress on the Bus 3 petition and there are now 2 people who have offered to take the petition door to door.

- AT have advised that their previous indication that they intended to upgrade the Kelvin Road pedestrian crossing, is not now going to proceed.

Orakei Local Board Update (from Carmel Claridge via email):

- OLB is expecting a presentation from AT on the Gowing Drive connection to the GI to Tamaki Drive Shared Path on Thursday 14th March. Carmel will report back with any progress.
- Auckland Council's safer speeds consultation is open for submission. A straw poll taken for those for and against having all streets, except arterial routes, made a 30km speed limit was split approx.50/50.
- Carmel has organised signs to go up at Waiatarua Reserve to ask people not to feed the ducks as it can lead to avian botulism.

Member Forum

- In place of a speaker there was an open forum held and several topics were discussed.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Next Meeting will be the AGM starting at 7pm on Tuesday 16th April 2019 at St Chad's.