

**Minutes of the Members Meeting of the Meadowbank &
St John's Resident's Association
Tuesday 9th July 2019 7.30pm at St Chad's Church, Meadowbank**

Attendees: Barry Stewart, Ensiyeh Ghavampour, Charmaine Vaughan, Sue Craigie, Henry Ray and 50+ members

Apologies: Anna Jackson, Tim Duguid, Keiran Tibble, Gerard Martin, Oliver Roberts, Desley Simpson, James Suter, Lawrence Barker

Minutes of the Meeting of 11th June 2019 Moved: Sue **Seconded:** Ensiyeh **That** the minutes of the 11th June meeting be approved. **Carried.**

Matters Arising: NIL

Chairman's update

- Finance update. Two new bank account signatories finally in place.
- Big leap forward in database number, 93 new names.
- Over 1,000 members on Facebook.
- First newsletter to rat trappers and Gowing Dr Traffic Safety petitioners.
- 70 traps distributed. Another OLB grant application approved by the committee for further 100 traps.
- Meadowbank School initiative progressing well.
- Gowing Dr traffic safety petition presented and delivered to AT via OLB.
- Gowing Drive Scheme Plan seen by Gerard.. Submitted a response.
- Lucia Glade – waiting on response from AT to the plan.
- Bus stop and shelter installed in front of Oceania Retirement Village
- AT approached to install two bus shelters on St Johns Rd
- St Johns Park bus petition to be presented to AT this Thursday.
- Steady progress on first initiative in community wellbeing project – Community Dinner. Also considering Community walks.
- Looking at hosting a seminar on Retirement Village decision making in September for Troy Churton of the Retirement Commission.
- Have offered to sponsor a petition to Council on the Donnelly St development and a meeting with the developer.
- Preliminary advice has been received that Watercare are close to (or at least well through the planning process) to rectifying work on the 30 odd Meadowbank homes that have joint storm water and sewage connections – confirmation awaited.

Orakei Local Board Update

Carmel Claridge

- Temple St crossing for children. Considered for funding from OLB community safety project and has been approved. Completed within the next 2 years
- Shared pathway. Section 2 in final consent stage with residents affected. Section 3 press release will be out shortly. Parts of current boardwalk have show lifting of the surface and this is to be recified. Section 4 waiting to go through to resource consent stage. The Gowing Dr/John Rymer connection to section 2 is a \$10million plus project and NZTA is looking at the business case to fund it. OLB have already committed \$2million and AT have committed \$4million.
- The annual Pourewa Valley clean-up with a free bbq will be held on 8 September.

Troy Churton

- 79 College Rd/Donnelly St/Norman Lesser Drive development - 81 townhouses planned, one major driveway, Troy is pressing for notified consent.
- 12 Abbots Way. Application in for 55 lots with singular access.
- Development at the end of Purewa Rd. Input from community fed through.
- Trying to get delegated decision making taken off the planners and given to OLB so communities are notified of developments.
- Puriri tree outside a private land owners house in Meadowbank Rd to be removed.

Safety and security

Avon Lines, Chairwomen of Neighbour Support Auckland and local resident Detective Haika Urlich formerly of the police Burglary Squad combined to provide some useful tips and do's and don'ts for maintaining personal safety. One of the important messages was that community safety is about looking after your neighbours as well as yourself.

Both handed out written material including the following:

- You can help make your Neighbourhood safer
- A guide to crime prevention
- If its happening now call 111, if its already happened use 105
- Operation Snap (Beat burglary, stop the trade in stolen property)

We have retained some limited copies of the handouts and these are available for people unable to attend the meeting.

Future Meetings & Events

- August Meeting – Tuesday 13/08 – Elise Copeland AC (Universal Design) “Inclusive Communities: Designing our Neighbourhoods for all Ages and Abilities”
- September – Sunday 08/09 – Annual Pourewa Valley Clean Up
- September Meeting – Tuesday 10/09 – OLB Candidates TBC
- September – Wednesday 18/09 – Retirement Commissioner seminar TBC
- September – Monday 30/09 – Joint RA's hosting Mayoral & Council candidates Selwyn theatre TBC
- Member input for topics/speakers for future meetings and ideas for future events would be welcome

Next meeting – Tuesday 13th August 2019, 7.30 pm at St Chad's Church and Community Centre, 38 St Johns Road, Meadowbank – **Note that our meetings in August, September and October will be held in the Conference Room**

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.