

GREENHITHE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 2nd Jun 2020, Committee Room, Community Hall, Greenhithe

Chairman Brian Carran called the Greenhithe Residents Association regular committee meeting to order at 19:30.

Present:

Chairman: Brian Carran

Deputy Chairman: Trish Cassone

Members: Michelle Heald, Mick Sinclair, Steven Oh, Nika Osbourne, Annie Yong-Mewburn

Guests: Uzra Casuri Balouch, Margaret Miles, Anna Atkinson, Nicholas Mayne
Guillermo (GG) Gentile, Analia Gentile

Apologies:

Ivy Lu, Ehsan Zabihi

1. Opening and welcome

- a) Brian expressed appreciation to resident guests Guillermo and Analia for their interest in participating in community affairs.

2. Notice of committee member resignation

- a) With regrets Dale Morris submitted notice of resignation; the Committee thanked him for what he had done for the Association and wished him all the best with his families and business.

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Trish

That the Committee accepted Dale's resignation.

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

- a) Minutes of the previous meeting dated 7 Apr 2020 were circulated prior to the meeting.

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Mick

That the minutes are accepted and approved as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

- b) Matters arising:

- i) Ehsan obtained second quote – Brian to get a third for Lotto grant
- ii) Comment from AGM – Nika and GG re insulation versus air con. Investigate insulation.

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- iii) Brian and Eyan have almost completed putting up the fence palings
- iv) OSB – bottom half painted. Local painter Scott Russell will complete painting. Currently stalled due to water shortage.
- v) Footpath and park submission done.
- vi) Graffiti – local offered to paint out graffiti. Any future graffiti call Council Help Line
- vii) Nika to identify overgrown trees and notify council – they will only cut them if it is a safety issue.
- viii) Representative required for ERG committee.

4. Correspondence

- a) Letter from Margaret and Board – Rame Road funding – Margaret advised re funding. Need solution re cars on road, footpaths on both sides, speed calming and lighting. Brian suggested resolve the worst issue. Don't waste money. Do what is achievable and practical.

5. Treasurer's Report

- a) Budget forecast
- b) Funding
 - i) Committed
 - (1) Stage Doors, Increase to \$8k
 - (2) OSB Painting \$3k
 - (3) Garden \$2k
 - ii) Unfunded
 - (1) OSB Roof replacement \$20K
 - (2) Community Hall Airconditioning \$30k (Funding applications in process)
 - (3) Cutlery and Crockery \$2k

MOVED by Brian Seconded by Annie

That the financial statements are accepted as correct and accurate.

CARRIED

- c) Stephen reported no income but refunds. Insurance up on last year. Rates up but rates rebate.

6. Hall Report

- a) Both Halls opened
- b) Gardener reinstated
- c) Michelle managing tenants back and implementing C19 policies

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- d) Fire inspection required, extinguishers to be checked
- e) Building Consent lapsed, Have had promises from builder, yet to confirm

7. Community Hall Building Project

- a) Deck completed
- b) Fence framing and gates completed and palings fitted
- c) Stage doors awaiting track and Engineers report on beam before fitting
- d) Some internal 'patch-up' painting to be done, need a volunteer
- e) Outside of hall extension needing painting, low cost if volunteer labour
- f) Gardens layout confirmed, requires spray and 3 meters garden mix

8. OSB Restoration

- a) Painting only done to ½ way up need scaffolding to complete.
- b) Contracted painter to complete, arranged to borrow scaffolding. Pre-cleaning delayed due to water crisis!
- c) Have one price to re-roof and fit new downpipes – funding required

9. Publicity

- a) AGM well publicised, low response to virtual meeting attendance

10. Greenhithe Footpath and Road Safety Programme

- a) Submitted to AT, Via Local Board
- b) Submission to Parks dept, Via Local Board

11. Council/Local Board Report

- a) Margaret and Uzra

12. Emergency Plan

- a) Need a committee person to take on this portfolio. Perhaps a new face!
- b) Meetings set Quarterly
- c) AED now installed at fire station

13. Rame Road waterfront project

- a) No new information
- b) Consider working with Mr Zhang (Council and Local Board) to achieve a community acceptable outcome re public access

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14. General Business

- a) Rear yard opening celebration and sponsor recognition. Nika has been in touch with Amanda of Greenhithe Trust. Spring event – invite residents and showcase hall and facilities.

15. Information from Upper Harbour Local Board

- a) Margaret
 - i) List of 103 footpath defects sent off. Not much feedback on progress. Four issues with parks. Brian commented about a child who was insured at Memorial Reserve. Problem has been patched but tree roots are the problem. Two Water Care issues promptly fixed.
 - ii) Rame Road – need to wait for emergency budget details so that AT can work out what can be done. If there is money, AT happy to meet. Margaret believes ‘they have the message’.
 - iii) Council has a \$500M loss of revenue following COVID-19. Check out <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/have-your-say/topics-you-can-have-your-say-on/emergency-budget/Pages/default.aspx> budget. Because rates only account for 40% of budget, they have 4 levers:
 - (1) Increase borrowing – not appealing
 - (2) Decrease in capital projects – looking for savings. Voluntary salary cuts, redundancies
 - (3) Operating costs
 - (4) Asset sales
 - iv) Cuts to parks, fewer events, no Matiriki, movies in the park. Decrease in local board funding from Council – down by 10-20%.
 - v) Capital investments probably deferred unless a contract has already been signed.
 - vi) No money for playgrounds, walkways. If there is a health and safety issue in a park, it will probably be closed. Decrease in pest eradication.
 - vii) Get onto website and submit opinions. The rates postponement policy is on website.
- b) Anna
 - i) Get onto the community Face book page – submit what you think. Wainoni Park – water fountain project – closed. Should be ready for summer. Anna reported signage in the area – track and playground signage. Working on parks management plan.

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- c) Nick
 - i) Expenditure being deferred – eg research on Kauri die back. Taking money from one project to finance another. Nick says that this is temporary and we need to look ahead. Nick says that council are doing a good job with the overall plan for individual parks.
- d) Uzra
 - i) Local Board plan – once complete it will be available for consultation.
- e) Following Board comments, Brian said that the community should take price and care of their local area. Do more to improve the community. Core staff not on capital projects should be doing repairs and maintenance.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 21:00.

The next regular meetings will be **4th August and 6th October 2020.**