

# GREENHITHE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MEETING MINUTES

*Tuesday 25 May 2021, Greenhithe Community Hall*

Chairman Brian Carran called the Greenhithe Residents Association Annual General Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### **Present:**

**Chairman:** Brian Carran

**Members:** Michelle Heald, Ivy Lu, Tricia Moore, Steven Oh, Nika Osbourne, Mick Sinclair, Dennis Thornton, Robert Xu, Annie Yong-Mewburn

**Guests: Member of Parliament for Upper Harbour:**

Vanushi Walters

**Upper Harbour Local Board Members:**

Margaret Miles, Anna Atkinson, Nicholas Mayne

**Greenhithe Community Trust:**

Amanda Mitchell

### **1. Welcome and Introductions**

Chairman extended warm welcome to all meeting participants, and introduced our important guests and partners: MP Vanushi Walters, Upper Harbour Local Board members Margaret Miles, Anna Atkinson, Nicholas Mayne, and Greenhithe Community Trust Managing Director Amanda Mitchell.

### **2. Apologies**

Trish Cassone, Uzra Casuri Balouch, Lisa Whyte

#### **Motion #1**

MOVED by Mick, Seconded by Neil

That the apologies are accepted.

*Carried.*

### **3. Minutes of the previous AGM dated 26 May 2020**

The minutes of the previous meeting had been handed out before commencement of the meeting.

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## **Motion #2**

MOVED by Ivy, Seconded by Steven

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

*Carried.*

## **4. Financial Report**

Financial Statements for the Year 2020/2021 had been handed out before commencement of the meeting and were taken as read.

Treasurer walked participants through key figures of the financial statements and concluded that GRA's financial status was healthy.

## **Motion #3**

MOVED by Steven, Seconded by Mick

That the financial statements are accepted as correct and accurate.

*Carried.*

## **5. Chairman's Report**

Chairman's Report 2021 had been handed out before commencement of the meeting and were taken as read.

Chairman reported key achievements, important projects and challenges of the Association in the past year, introduced plans for the upcoming year, and thanked Local Board Members, Greenhithe Community Trust partners, and Committee Members for their proactive contribution.

Chairman also expressed gratitude to our generous sponsors and donor who made all projects possible: Upper Harbour Local Board, Ryman Health Care, NZ Lottery Board, Eternal Vision Church and Members, Steadfast Foundation (Andrew Kerr), Kiwi Excavators, Tree King, Outdure Decks, Placemakers Albany, Greenhithe Garden Group, and Lyons Valuation.

### **Matters arising:**

- a) A resident was concerned about the condition of Rame Road and was wondering about the white marks on the road.

Chairman explained that white marks suggested repairs to be done, but there hadn't been a time frame yet.

- b) A resident asked whether footpaths would be built on Rame Road and Rahui Road.

Chairman answered that there was no plan for footpath on Rahui Road; footpath on Rame Road was once planned and open for public consultation, no agreement had been achieved.

- c) A resident was concerned about the speeders racing in Greenhithe.

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Chairman referred to issue to Upper Harbour Local Board and agreed that GRA would follow up representing residents concerned.

## **Motion #4**

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Mick

That Chairman's Report are accepted.

*Carried.*

## **6. Elections of Committee**

a) Current member nominees expressed interests in continuing serving in the committee.

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| 1. Brian Carran  | 5. Michelle Heald | 9. Annie Yong -Mewburn |
| 2. Trish Cassone | 6. Mick Sinclair  | 10. Tricia Moore       |
| 3. Steven Oh Kim | 7. Ehsan Zabihi   | 11. Dennis Thornton    |
| 4. Ivy Lu        | 8. Nika Osbourne  | 12. Robert Xu          |

## **Motion #5**

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Reuben

That the above nominations are accepted.

*Carried.*

b) New nomination: Chris Fraser

## **Motion #6**

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Steven

That the above nomination is accepted.

*Carried.*

c) Nomination from the floor: Karl Vetter

## **Motion #7**

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Ivy

That the above nomination is accepted.

*Carried.*

d) Executive nominees are:

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| 1. Chairman – Brian Carran         | 3. Secretary – Ivy Lu    |
| 2. Deputy Chairman – Trish Cassone | 4. Treasurer – Steven Oh |

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## Motion #8

MOVED by Brian, Seconded by Ivy

That the above nominees are elected.

*Carried.*

## 7. Speakers

### a) Greenhithe Community Trust (GCT) – Amanda Mitchell

Amanda familiarised participants with programmes and projects that GCT was running, mainly: neighbourhood support, youth group, environmental group, emergency resilience plan, and ecology network/ environmental care. Participants were encouraged to visit GCT website to find out more. Amanda strongly advocated a “caring” culture established in our community.

Amanda congratulated GRA for their persistent efforts on improvement of community road conditions, and various betterment projects of the halls.

### b) Upper Harbour Local Board – Margaret Miles

Margaret acknowledged GRA’s contribution to the community, and especially valued and thanked Brian for his 21-year-long volunteering and contributing as GRA Chairman. She wished that GRA and Local Board would continue working together to make positive changes for our residents.

### c) Member of Parliament – Vanushi Walters

Vanushi introduced her background and experience related to her career serving in the government as a Member of Parliament. Vanushi had been actively involved in advocacy of human rights, and served multiple senior management roles in organisations such as Amnesty International, Action for Children and Youth Aotearoa.

Vanushi invited residents to approach her for any issue concerning, especially issues in the following areas: justice related (such as family court reforms, hate speech reforms); regulation review (such COVID orders compliance); Labour’s ethnics; unemployment; immigration. Her office is open every Thursday, Wednesday and Thursday. Individual inquiries were welcomed.

## 8. Adjournment

Chairman thanked speakers and concluded the meeting by inviting residents to attend GRA’s bi-monthly Committee meeting; he also thanked his wife Cath for her support along.

There being no further business the meeting is adjourned at 8.33pm.