

MINUTES OF THE PUHOI FORUM COMMUNITY MEETING

HELD AT PUHOI SPORTS CLUB ON 29 January, 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

Present

Dustyn O'Leary, Paul Manton, Tess Berger, Mike Swain, Sorrel O'Leary, Jenny Schollum, Sandra Beagley, Bernadette Straka, Judith Williams, Derek and Roz Broadmore

Apologies

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Welcome by Chairpersons

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING held 27 November, 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 November have been previously circulated.
No matters arising from those minutes

2. TREASURER'S REPORT for November and December 2019

Treasurer's Report for November, December 2018 (previously circulated) - Jenny Schollum, see attached. Moved to accept Dustyn, seconded by Paul

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

Jenny Schollum requests a moment to remember the community members that have recently passed away.

- (i) River Park meeting with Community Management Team of Auckland Council representatives - meeting of sublease and Council. Mike Swain has removed 80% of the AMP yards, leaving just the outer perimeter left. We need to ask Mike to remove the rest or the council will do it; or we repair it to use the area for community garden.
- (ii) We agreed to keep the tennis pavilion - needs painting as a community project.
- (iii) Shed in middle of park - general consensus is the state of disrepair means that it will cost too much to restore. Front half is re-piled and has a new floor, Council will have an engineer look at structure, with the proposal to remove the back half, retain the yards, and keep the front half. This will be fenced off once done, with public access restricted to rest of park. Lease agreement cannot be continued w/o this remedial work being completed. Kevin has committed to completing the culvert and entrance tidy up this summer.
- (iv) Finish gravel spreading at top of Puhoi loop track bush section. Council had undertaken to upgrade track from stile and continue to where gravel ended. No response from UMS, Tess to follow up.
- (v) Ahuroa road upgrade won't go ahead until Monowai road is completed.
- (vi) Luke to look for feedback from Russel and Nick regarding surveillance cameras. Bernadette had a recent meeting (due to recent acts of vandalism and car accidents) with Insight Security. She had contacted Beth Houlbrooke, who said that installing cameras on church would not be easy, and suggested the hall as this is a Council building. \$10000 min, long processing time on power pole, better to use hall to record traffic, license plates. It would not cover the church. So church will look at doing what they need to cover the church property, but cameras on hall, library, sports club. This can be linked with infra red to one recording box. Bernadette notes that there is an AT camera at the intersection. Chairman notes the importance of ensuring cameras are installed for the right reasons - to maintain traffic safety, keep pedestrians, children safe, deter

vandalism. Forum members needed to take responsibility to talk to Insight Security - road safety group is a possibility. Tess to follow up traffic calming measures in Puhoi with council rep referencing recent accidents in village. Increased volume of traffic due to NX2, park closures outside of village, leading to traffic and parking congestion. Paul suggests limited parking time by store and longer term parking directed to carpark. This issue has gone on for many years, with many meetings recorded with AT, and no action taken. Puhoi is one of only two historic villages in NZ and lack of action is leading to community frustration. Dustyn to solicit reports from forum members for Tess to support her approach to local board.

(vii) Saleyards as place for community garden raised by Derek Broadmore. Need Council approval and to get this we need concrete plans, water options, management plans and a committed administrative group. This would be needed by next meeting, as Council have a timeline of 2 months for removal. Co-chair offers landscape planning services if a group can be formed. Mike Swain to put proposal out on Community Facebook pages and local website to see what interest is still in the community. Also need to ensure that other users and uses are acknowledged and space allowed. Kier Dady and Mike with other volunteers got signed off with Sinead. Grass is partially cut and will be finished this Saturday. Herbicide provided by Council and will be used on stumps.

(viii) Working Groups

- Puhoi Pioneers Memorial Park - updates covered above
- Road Safety Group - started a Give a Little Page to low timber car stops to protect footpath by library. Need bank account details from Forum before activating.
- Civil Defence - no one present
- Neighbourhood Support - no updates
- Historical Society - Museum has had a busy January.
- Horse riding group - trek coming up next month
- Others - Mike Swain updating Puhoi Community Page (started by Beth Houlbrooke) and the Puhoi Village People with brief summary of Forum meeting. Judith will summarize for her newsletter.

(iv) **Village market** - Car boot sales are a crowd drawer. Changing hours in winter to 10 - 1.00 pm. Help needed by committee, in particular committee members and to help set up. Willing to pay young people. General discussion about future of market, concerns about this after ten years of operation, and what is most popular in market to attract more attendance.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 26 February at 7.30pm.