

## MINUTES OF THE PUHOI FORUM COMMUNITY MEETING

HELD AT PUHOI SPORTS CLUB ON 26 November, 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

**Present:** Karen Rehm, John Rehm, Judith Williams, Sandra Beagley, Paul Manton (Chair), Gavin Donaldson, Jenny Schollum, Sorrel O’Leary, Duane Gardner, Beth Houlbrooke

**Apologies:** Mike Swain, Jenny Neel, Dustyn O’Leary, Greg Taylor, Brian and Sheryll Titford

### Welcome by Chair

#### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING held 29 October, 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 October had been previously circulated.

##### Motion 1

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 29 October, 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Sandra Beagley

Seconded: John Rehm

Carried

#### 2. TREASURER’S REPORT for October 2019 -as previously circulated by Jenny Schollum

The Treasurer’s report had been previously circulated. The online banking paperwork has been collected and Chair needs to go to ASB to sign these. Currently 18 members. Only transaction .77c interest.

##### Motion 2

THAT the treasurer’s report for October 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record

Moved: Sorrel O’Leary

Seconded: Judith Williams

Carried

#### 3. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

- Community coordination and facilitation grant
- FMG insurance for public liability under the new lease agreement (reminder)

#### 4. LOCAL BOARD UPDATE - Beth Houlbrooke

Settling in period for new Board.

Advocacy item to AT to ask for greater focus on road safety for local communities which have no footpaths, greater populations, more visitors and tourism and faster driving speeds creating issues - Kaukaupakaua, Whangateau, Puhoi.

Extension of 189 from Waiwera as an option for Puhoi. Between Warkworth and Albany the 995 is being well utilised.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

##### (i) Gorse control in PPMP - Paul Manton

Paul to meet with Sinead Tuesday 3 December at Park to look at gorse in the park, to see what maintenance can be done by Council

## (ii) Working Groups Updates

- **PPMP** - Paul and Duane cleared fallen limb from macrocarpa and removed debris, 4-5 hours

Lot of rabbits which need controlling in the Park(John Rehm) Sinead may be able to help with pest control. Possibility of 'Bunny control' community day - to be co-ordinated - need to close Park for that period

- **Road safety group** - issues remain as noted above.
  - Proposal for sealing Ahuroa Road. Paul Manton and two others met with AT and clarified communication process, stressing the need for this to be coordinated and consistent. 3 stages, Tolhopf down to Ahuroa Hill base (4 retaining walls). Stage 2, seal from top of Tolhopf Rd to current seal (6 retaining walls). 2 construction seasons. Stage 3 from Ahuroa hill base to Clifford Rd, currently sealed. Also sealing from Beacrofts to Grant Ridge Rd along Krippner Rd.
  - Group plans to keep requesting red carpet on Krippner intersection, and other measures for speed reduction and safety measures.
  - Gillian's track to be reformed by Paul with digger and metalled to provide safer walkway as far as Puhoi Tearooms, plans for early 2020.
  - Park Management Plan Review by Council still underway, will come back out to consultation with a draft plan. G Donaldson brings up the possibility of facilitating a community building in Park to house Museum and/or Scouts. Repositioning museum would result in loss of their main source of income from tourists.
- **Civil defence & Neighbourhood support** - 1st meeting last Thursday at Puhoi Canoe Hire of Puhoi Community Response Team - see attached minutes
- **Waiwera Valley Association** - nothing to report
- **Library** - thanks to Helen for copying historical information to share with visitors
- **Puhoi Heritage Museum** - Xmas hamper raffle on offer. Museum occupies old school on church property, no lease, so Museum continues to look for a more permanent home.
- **Village Market** - successful market, good weather, good attendance. **Twilight market on 8 December. 3-7 pm at hall.**

## (iii) Miscellaneous

Beth and Paul visited the Warkworth Pony Club birthday. Jan 1st is WW rodeo 60th birthday. Beth attended Matakana Hall 60th celebration. Other community groups who share common interests, eg WW Area Liaison group, could be attended by Forum members to develop stronger, wider networks. Quarterly meeting with guest speaker starting Jan 2020. Options - Ian Boothroyd picking up on NZ wide pest control initiatives or Forest Bridge Trust, Trish Allen Mahurangi Wastebusters. Judith to act as point of contact. Promote via newsletter, posters, Facebook etc. Puhoi Xmas Street party in hall garden on Friday, Dec 13th - promote via Facebook, poster

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 28 January, 2020 commencing 7.30pm at the Puhoi Sports Club.