Draft Minutes Matangi Community Committee Meeting

Tuesday November 15, 2022, Tamahere Council and Community Offices, Tamahere, 7.30 p.m.

Present: Crystal Beavis, Phil Bertrand(Chair), Catherine Lang, Christine Miller, Glenn Otton, Brian Bowell, Frank Wood, Mike Keir, Ann Cao, Evelyn Van Ommen, Andrew Mowbray, Kitty Burton (secretary)

Apologies: Dave Preece, Glenda and Dave Nolan. Darren McNae, Ian Wallace, Colin Pitt, Bernard Butler
Phil/Catherine

Phil welcomed new Councillors, community members

Minutes meeting 09 08.2022. Approved as true and correct by response to email to attendees 11.08.2022

Brian/Glenn

Matters arising:

- 1. Better off Funding applications submitted unsuccessful
- 2. Jack Foster parking project- Council initial design discussed with Council representatives, school Principal, BOT and community committee members agreement reached on what the community would like, now awaiting updated design.
- 3. Traffic developments update Glenn had followed up with Gareth who has now left WDC. Work newly taken over by Attinder Singh. Mike offered to contact Gareth to find out where work had got to and how to progress.
- 4. Bus Route update no news. Crystal offered to follow up.
- 5. Strategic Planning process. Discussion document from Frank General Business.

Correspondence:

Inward

13.10,2022 Deron – Better off Funding application - Footpaths outcome

13.10,2022 Deron – Better off Funding application – Powerline undergrounding outcome

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Multiple from guests and candidates for Meet the Candidates and farewell to Rob function and Matangilink Soapbox

26, 10.2022 Lance Rapana – Invite to Matangi Hillcrest Sports Club meet and greet and thank you to Rob McGuire – A number of people present including the Councillors had attended.

There was a formal presentation of future plans for the club and the sports ground. Proposed increase in sports grounds as a result of agreement between the owner and Council to include land from an adjacent subdivision.

15.11.2022 Crystal Beavis – resignation from the Matangi community committee following election as a Tamahere Woodlands Ward Councillor.

Outward

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Finance – Balance \$ 417.02

Approval to reimburse Catherine for printing of questionnaires for the Community Matangi Road Trees consultation. \$111.00. Kitty/Phil

General Business

1. Strategic Planning Discussion Paper

Mike Keir opened discussion emphasising the importance of sound community based strategic planning in the current political environment. Kitty noted that a MCC sub-committee was established 12 months ago to report back on a way forward.

Frank said that the resulting strategic planning discussion document was based on follow-up involving members of that sub-committee. He noted the difficulties that arisen because of covid. In preparing the document he had taken into account past relevant community-based planning statements, as well as a wide range of relevant national, regional and district forward planning statements and policy directions. He had used scenario modelling as originally proposed in the MCC discussions to develop strategic plan options. It was intended that they function as a catalyst for revisiting the committee role looking forward while capitalising on the unique features of Matangi to establish a new model that could attract investment. He was interested in feedback. The committee needs to decide what to do.

There was then a discussion of the issues facing the village, particularly wastewater, which is an immediate and urgent issue, and the need to create a future plan that can be incorporated in Council's blueprint to ensure Council understand what the community wants and offer support. The strategic planning discussion paper 'on the table' was relevant to these considerations. It had been submitted to the August meeting and it had then been suggested a meeting be held solely for that purpose but no meeting date had been set.

It was therefore resolved that a meeting for discussion of a strategic plan as set out in Frank's paper be organised for March 2023 following the General meeting in February. Frank agreed to arrange for a meeting facilitator.

As an additional outcome of the discussion Mike was to follow up with Harry and Andrew regarding Council's response to private waste water projects.

- 2. Date for General Meeting agreed to be Tuesday February 21, 2023 at the Matangi Hall.
- 3. Proposed alterations to the Matangi Community Committee Charter were agreed plus amendments to General Meeting location (Matangi Hall or other public meeting space) and what constitutes a quorum (a majority of elected members).
- 4. Ann Cao introduced herself as a Tamahere Community Committee member and as the owner of the Cherry Blossom festival. She described how the Festival had run successfully this year and she was happy to answer any questions and let people know how it ran. When they started it had been a new business and a surprise just how many people came so some problems arose that they needed to deal with. Improved traffic management and parking this year – shuttle from Webster Road. Two weekends - 7,500 visitors - 75% visitors from Auckland, a multicultural event. Visitors stay 2 - 3 hours. Continually improving.

Difficult to manage behaviour – people parking on the roadside despite the arrangements in place. Discussion of other parking options – Silverdale, the University.

Inclusion of events in strategic plan? Links to Sculpture Park?

5. Footpaths – Confirmation of completion of footpath along Matangi road? – Mike enquiring. Issue has also been raised of footpath from Dalbeth Place to SH26 – too narrow.

Meeting ended 9.40 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday February 21 2023