

Colyton Community Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at St Andrew's Church, 21st October 2020 7:00 p.m.

Present: Graham Conlon, Daniel Thornton, Stu Bradbury, Michael Ford, Reuban Smith, Phil Marsh, Laurie Bradbury, Kaye Bradbury.

Apologies: Darrell and Jill Jones, Janine Hawthorn, Jody Simpson, Helen Worboys.

The meeting started with a walk through of the corner of Taonui and Colyton Road. There was a good discussion about various ideas for what to place on the site. Kaye put forward an idea for a striking artwork involving large stones and a large metal sign cut with the letters COLYTON. We agreed on a rough size and placement and also that there would be two placed rather than one.

(Please see attached picture as a draft.)

The next step is to form a sub group to solve some of the logistics problems.

Daniel will investigate the sourcing of the stone, Phil will check with the roading department re the legal requirements, Gra will produce some CAD drawings to give different scalings etc, Kaye will oversee the overall design and Laurie will investigate where to get the metal and have it laser cut.

There was a suggestion that since Colyton's history includes the logging of Totara trees that it may be nice to include some Totara.

At the next meeting, this group will feedback and Graham will provide some samples of lettering size and Michael will provide some corflute so that we can see the various signs in full size.

Feedback from the Emergency Response Group:

Stu met with Donna, Bruce, Bryan Guy and Jeff to go through some of the key vulnerabilities of the district. They agreed the boundaries, the potential dangers and potential landing sites for helicopters. The potential emergency centres are the School, the Hall, the Church and the airfield.

We have setup a gmail account for the community committee (colytoncommunity@gmail.com)

Any ctte member is free to log onto the account and access the associated contacts list and google docs, please send an email for the password to this account.

Council Matters: - Phil

The citizen ceremony was postponed but the community awards ceremony went ahead to honour members of our community who have made a significant contribution to our district.

The draft action plan is almost ready to go to consultation.

Shane Harris is the acting CEO, recruitment for a permanent post is well underway.

Council are currently waiting for news of potential policy changes from the government following the recent general election. The three waters infrastructure in our district is well underway, consequently we have a large debt and high rates, other local councils in our vicinity are yet to deal

with the change in requirements to the 3 waters policy. We await decisions as to what extent regionalisation and amalgamation will be brought into effect.

There is a MOU with Ohakea on waste water which will be a revenue stream for the district.

The District plan is also under review.

Other Matters:

There is currently a review of the village halls and their usage in the district, this committee has been asked to put in a submission around the use of our hall. Graham will contact Brian Hills and discuss this and then make a submission on behalf of the committee.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 9th December 2020 7:00 p.m. – St Andrew's Church, Colyton.

Meeting Closed 8:03 p.m.