

Minutes of the Glen Oroua- Taikorea Community Committee Meeting
Tuesday May 3rd 2022 7.00pm.
Glen Oroua Hall

Present: Phil Lightbourne, Ellise Lightbourne, Christine Finnigan, Jocelyn McTavish, Tina de Bes, Francie Carroll, Sandi Pearson, Ian Cooper, Grant Hadfield, Lyndon Craw, Trevor Smith, Andy Davis, Chris Hehir, Kylie Webb, Raewyn Persson.

Apologies: Andrew Pedley, Trevor McTavish, Janine Hawthorn, Anna Hunter, Raewyn Persson (lateness), Mayor Helen Worboys.

Chair Christine opened the meeting and welcomed everyone, at 7.00pm. Christine outlined the agenda for the meeting.

Correspondence:

Inward- Janine Hawthorn/MDC- holding CC meetings under the red traffic light system.

Janine Hawthorn/MDC- advice re.; \$3000 project funding, untagged, & request to complete the project report.

Janine Hawthorn/MDC- invitation to attend Annual CC Forum on May 4th.

Outward: CC meeting postponement.

Reply to MDC about untagged \$3000 – no project decided upon as yet.

Correspondence received/approved. P.L./E.L. Carried.

Minutes of last meeting: Chair Christine read out the main points from the last meeting.

True & correct record C.F./ L.C. Carried.

Matters arising: Council elections will take place on 8th October.

Finance: The \$3000 project funding will be rolled over until a project/ some projects are decided on in the 2022/23 period.

Community Committee Projects- a discussion.

- **Option 1-** A direct path between the school and the hall across farmland has been suggested, as the present pathway around the road is dangerous for pedestrians. A possible rearrangement of the roadside at the corner might be explored by MDC. It would be difficult to make this safe. No formal discussions about a proposed pathway across farmland have been held with the land owner. A long term, flexible future proofed solution & agreement needs to be explored. A wetland on the land beside the drain is a possible project and the school has held informal discussions with the Queen Elizabeth Trust about planting in the area. More formal discussions with the landowners need to take place to explore options. Chair Christine, Kylie, Francie & Phil to organise a meeting with the landowners to explore options & determine what options are available if we don't own the land. Horizons might be able to assist with any planting in the area. Cr. Grant suggested we could submit this as a project in the MDC annual plan 2024. Related to this discussion is the fact that the GO Hall septic tank system in the same paddock is old and under code.
- **Option 2-** Some form of social/ community gathering for families in the two communities is important. Several ideas were suggested including a bus trip away from the community to a place of interest for a social experience. An old fashioned social/ pot luck tea in the GO Hall later in the year. An interesting guest speaker to be invited.
- **Option 3-** Neighbourhood Support- maybe invite a guest speaker from Neighbourhood Support to explain their role, security issues in rural areas etc... Or....
- **Option 4- Have an " open day"** on a weekend where locals in the two communities could gather for meet & greet, come & go, listen to a speaker/speakers in mid to late November, family friendly if possible with some attraction for children.

OR “An afternoon tea with the past” might be an option some local people could talk for 10-15 minutes about the history of their farm, community involvement, share photos etc.. Tina, Raewyn & Jocelyn to explore this option. November 13th has been suggested. Or two different possibilities- farm history and afternoon tea & a purely social gathering.

- **Cr. Grant , our liaison councillor, spoke from his report** – an update of what the council is doing at this time.

(See attached report) .Matters arising- we are able to apply to the MDC nursery for plants.

- **Other business....**

-As a CC, we should be paying hireage for our use of the hall for our meetings. We would need to generate an invoice and ask the council to deduct payment from our project funding.

-We need to set up some sort of network in the two communities for contacting others, sharing information etc... At the moment we do have a Glen Oroua-Taikorea Community Committee Group. There was some discussion around word of mouth, facebook etc..

To be put on the agenda for the next meeting on May 24th.

- There is a thought that we need to meet as a committee more frequently than 3 monthly, while we are in the process of setting up our CC for the future.
- Some sort of plan for our CC needs to be formulated showing planning, needs, vision, possibilities, areas of focus for our community committee.

- **Next meeting will be held at the GO School on 24th May, as the GO Hall is booked.**

- Further meetings- August 23rd, November 22nd . November 13th for social function.

Meeting closed at 8.52pm.