

# Glen Oroua – Taikorea Community Committee Meeting

March 28<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Welcome:** Chair Christine welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Present:** Cr. Grant Hadfield, Tina de Bes, Sandi Pearson, Raewyn Persson, Christine Finnigan, Phil Lightbourne, Chris Hehir, Andrew Pedley, Ellise Lightbourne, Janine Hawthorne, Negin Nema, Mayor Helen Worboys

**Apologies:** Ash Hazlitt, Andy Davis, Francie Carroll, Jocelyn & Trevor McTavish, Tim Hehir, Anna Hunter Lyndon Crow.

**Minutes of the last meeting** on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Circulated & taken as read. Moved for acceptance: Phil L. Seconded: Tina De Bes. Carried.

**Matters arising:** Most would be covered in general business.

**Correspondence: Inward:** Circulated and recorded in the register.

**Community Well-Being Officer Negin Nema** spoke about a coming community event 7<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> April being organised by Feilding promotions. It will be in the form of a Manawatu Great Easter Hunt, encouraging people to look for answers to quiz questions about the district. Details will be in The Feilding Herald & on the Feilding District Promotion website. The hunt will finish with a free family Picnic Funday 10.00-1.00pm, prizes, giveaways, activities etc. at Kowhai Park.

**Cr. Grant Hadfield** presented his update report about MDC business from the past 3 months. It is attached to the minutes.

## General Business.

- 1. Community Plan-** Chair Christine spoke about the history document she has drafted about Glen Oroua to insert in the community plan. It was advised we contact the Council Maori adviser Jerald Twomey for translations of local placenames. The history Christine has drafted is an on-going project and input from anyone is welcomed. Please e mail Christine with any relevant historical facts. A written history of Taikorea 1888- 1988 is acknowledged and a summary needs to be added to the local history in the plan. Old & new photos of local importance are wanted and maybe copied for the plan. A map of the two districts is also required. There was a brief discussion about the boundaries of the two districts. The Vision Statement on page 6 should include connections to the present and look forward to the future, so more thought and input about this is required. The plan needs further development, it is an on-going document, but input from local families and individuals is welcomed. Please talk to Christine if committee members & others have information and suggestions. Photos of current landmarks/ signs/buildings/ farms etc are also wanted for the plan.
- 2. Pathway update.-** It was agreed that any development needs to happen soon due to Autumn and Winter conditions. A scaled down project is now preferred mainly due to costs and a need to build the pathway as soon as possible. A local contactor will be approached to give a quote for preparation of the earth and direction for the pathway- earthworks. A second hand culvert would be cost effective. It is also hoped some local residents may be able to help with the construction of the pathway- materials, equipment or sponsorship, labour etc.. Funding options will need to be explored, maybe our CC fund from the Council could be used? Christine will again consult with the landowner to confirm the nature of the project and notify the school about the planned pathway.

3. **Community event-** a community event in the nature of a mid-Winter pot luck dinner, is planned for Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>, in the GO hall. Families welcome, maybe provide some games for any children who attend. Planning will be done at the next CC meeting on **Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup>**.
4. Thought do be given to starting a **Glen Oroua-Taikorea Community Committee Facebook page** for communicating news, events, meeting notices, welcome to new residents etc.. Communication with residents could still be done through the school newsletter and Rongotea Times.
5. **Community Projects 2023/24-** the MDC would like us to put forward any projects we would like carried over to 2023/24 or add new proposed projects we would like to put forward for the new period. **We need to have this returned to Negin by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Please get in touch with Chair Christine or Secretary Phil if you have any ideas / suggestions you would like put forward.**  
**Thanks.**
6. **Next meeting Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm**

**Meeting closed at 8.42**