

Pohangina Valley Community Committee Meeting

Minutes from 8th August 2022 at 7.00pm

Present: Liz Besley, Julie-Ann Bolton, Ade Walcroft, Jo Morris-Kynoch, Kim Bird, Simon Francis, Marty Pratt, Cr. Phil Marsh, Janine Hawthorn and Lyn Daly (for part of the meeting)

1		Procedural Matters	Action
1.	Apologies	Yvonne Forlong,, Mary Nettle and Cnst. Mark Dickins	Julie-Ann Bolton/ Kim Bird Carried
1.2	Library Services	<p>Lyn Daly, Council's General Manager – Community attended the meeting to speak to her paper to the Community Committee on the Council's library services.</p> <p>Lyn noted that an approach had been made in early 2021 by residents in the valley on the possibility of residents being able to access the Palmerston North library services but in particular Ashhurst. Council currently provides annual funding to the Palmerston North City Council so that the children who live on the boundary with the city could access the service free. It may well be that the residents of the valley may not be aware of the library service that is being provided through the County Fayre. The number of residents who are wishing to use the city's service is also unknown. It is therefore difficult to determine whether there is a need for change of the service.</p> <p>Where to from here? Firstly to understand the need for an extended service or for a different kind of library service from what is being provided currently. There are two options available. Either develop the existing service further through County Fayre or explore the option of providing a service through the Ashhurst library for residents. Both would need to be costed.</p> <p>Lyn agreed to contact County Fayre to discuss further the possibility of extending the current library service that is being provided.</p> <p>Lyn thanked the committee for the opportunity to attend the meeting.</p>	
1.3	Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email 2 June ex Lyn Daly, GM Community for MDC re Library Services • Email 3 June ex Vicki Wills re Community Recovery & Response Plan. Also, CAEC Training. • 10, 17, 20, 30 June ex Bobbi Eades, CEDA's Marketing & Comms Manager re Raumai Layby Map upgrade. 	Julie-Ann Bolton/ Liz Besley Carried
1.4	Confirmation Previous Minutes	That the minutes from the previous meeting held on 2 June 2022 be accepted as a true and correct.	Kim Bird/ Liz Besley Carried
1.5	Matters Arising	Covered in Agenda items below	

2		Items for Approval/Information																																																																																																																	
2.1	Finances	<p>Julie Ann noted that the changes to the Finance Report since the previous meeting are highlighted in red below.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PVCC Finance Report to 29/07/22</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;"></th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Balance at 30/05/22</th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Changes</th> <th style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">Balance at 29/07/22</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="4">MDC Funds held for Pohangina Valley Community Committee:</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">Community Project Fund</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Signage</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1,552.80</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">1,552.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bus shelter</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2,386.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">2,386.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fence</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.00</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Public Meetings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">154.50</td> <td style="text-align: right;">-39.57</td> <td style="text-align: right;">114.93</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Website Development</td> <td style="text-align: right;">375.50</td> <td style="text-align: right;">-54.68</td> <td style="text-align: right;">320.82</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Domain Development - 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2.2	Emergency Management	<p>Liz noted that Yvonne and her had revised the Community Response Plan and had sent changes back to Vicki Wills at Council.</p> <p>The activated training day has been scheduled for 27 August</p> <p>Liz confirmed that St John's will be doing the regular maintenance of the AED.</p>																																																																																																																	
2.3	PVCC and Election Protocol	<p>Meet the Candidates Meeting - It had been agreed to not hold a Meet the Candidates meeting in Pohangina. Meetings to date had been confirmed for Hiwinui, Kimbolton, Himatangi Beach and Feilding.</p> <p>Triennial Community Committee Elections – Liz asked when Liaison Crs would be pointed and the timing of meetings to elect a new committee. Janine confirmed that Liaison Crs would be appointed at a meeting following the swearing in of the newly elected Council. Once Liaison Crs have been</p>																																																																																																																	

		appointed they would make contact with the current Chairperson to organise a suitable date to hold a triennial meeting to elect a new committee.	
2.4	Pohangina Recreation Reserve	<p>Liz spoke to her report the following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsors Board to be updated to include Bird Contract Services. Cam is sponsoring an electric unit and is getting a size that will future proof the whole space. • Liz and Marty to meet on site at the domain to discuss further on where the unit for the electric fence could be housed. Before that meeting Marty to have a conversation with Cam. • Liz and Marty to discuss grazing options and the areas to avoid. • Working bee is being held on 20 August. • It was agreed for safety and emergency services purposes if MDC could provide rapid numbers for the cattle yards as well as for the Domain carpark. It was also suggested that it would be useful to have rapid numbers erected at the wetlands and the old school reserve which is on Finnis Road. 	<p>Yvonne Forlong</p> <p>Marty Pratt/Liz Besley</p> <p>Marty Pratt/Liz Besley</p> <p>MDC</p>
2.5	Pohangina Wetlands Project	Liz noted that Gordon had provided five trees for each of the members of the Trust.	
2.6	PVCC Newsletter and Website	<p>Thanks Julie Ann for another superb newsletter.</p> <p>Julie-Ann gave an update noting that there were currently 278 subscribers with five new subscribers following the recent delivery of the hard copies of the latest issue. Julie-Ann questioned the value of producing hardcopies of the newsletter and suggested that perhaps a one page leaflet on how to sign up for a newsletter would be of more value.</p> <p>The idea of a leaflet for new residents was discussed. It was agreed that it would be useful for all households to receive a copy of the leaflet which would include relevant contact numbers and information including such things as to how to access the pool and the library. It was agreed to include detail of what library services that could be provided for Pohangina in line with the work that Lyn Daly was doing. Jo and Kim agreed that they would work with Lyn on what library services could be provided from County Fayre and what detail could be included in the leaflet.</p> <p>The committee is indebted to Sam Etheridge & Julie Ann who have spent many hours working on the development of the PVC Website. It is simply awesome as many of you will attest to. I know Julie Ann would want to also acknowledge the input of Dave Roberts who has been active in assisting with editing of the content.</p> <p>Georgia Mills continues to do a great job as administrator on the Facebook page. Georgia accepted the invitation and is now actively in the role of administrator. Her contact details are on the website so submitters can approach her directly with input requests.</p>	<p>Jo Morris-Kynoch and Kim Bird</p>

2.7	Community Action Plan	It was noted that payments were confirmed to County Fayre and the Hall for the year.	
2.8	Pohangina Hall Committee	<p>Julie-Ann raised her concern that the hall maybe going under the radar particularly in relation to who might be taking responsibility for it. There does not appear to be any regular hall committee meetings being held. Not even sure whether the annual report for the hall has been submitted to Council with the hall's usage. There needs to be a team to drive it.</p> <p>Liz to invite Carey and Alisha to attend the next community committee meeting.</p> <p>The committee discussed the duplication of the number of committees that are operating in the valley and whether it might be an opportune time to consolidate and bring the committees together to operate under the community committee. It was agreed to include this as an item for further discussion when the committee next meets.</p>	<p>Liz Besley</p> <p>Liz Besley</p>
2.9	County Fayre	<p>Jo gave an update noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community gathering in June had a great number attend even though it clashed with the rugby. • The Central Energy Trust funding application has been approved for the installation of heat pumps. • Had plumbing issue with the overflow of the new toilet with a lot of water under the library which has been fixed. • Drinks and Nibbles is on 12 August. • Working on a meet the author event. Trying to work on bringing all the authors in the area together which won't be held until late Spring. • Have lost the longest serving committee member. • Working on upgrading the lighting in the art area. Also had trouble with people turning off the outside light. Have since written on the switch to keep it turned on. 	
3	Other Business		
3.1	MDC Report	<p>Report from Councillor Marsh with the following points noted from today's Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council only met once during July due to the Local Government New Zealand Conference. 600 delegates attended the conference. • Council received presentations from two representative grant recipients. • Jon Roygard of Horizons made a presentation on Te Āpiti Master Plan. • Refurbishment of the Library received the green light to proceed. 	<p>Liz Besley to email Jon Roygard for some copies of the Te</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been a number of job changes for Council Staff. 	Āpiti Master Plan
3.2	Health Care Hui	This has been rescheduled to 9 August.	
3.3	Branch Road Walkway	Jo gave an update noting that the event is currently being organised for 12 November. Prices will be: \$30 for adults, \$15 for children, \$100 for family and Under 5's free. It will be a similar format to previous years with a bus taking walkers up to the start of the walk.	
3.4	Village Signs	Noted that Mary has done a lot of work on this project. Currently waiting for final draft.	
3.6	Totara Reserve Advisory Group	No further update	
3.7	No 4 Line	<p>Kim gave an update on the trialling of a different type of seal for No 4 Line which hopefully will help to keep the dust down. To fully seal the road would cost in the vicinity of \$448,000. However, to do the trial is \$140,000 with NZTA paying some of this cost.</p> <p>Kim noted that she is awaiting further information from Council's General Manager – Infrastructure particularly on the costs to date for maintaining the road.</p>	Hamish Waugh MDC
	Meeting Closed	Meeting closed at 9.32 pm	
	Next Meeting	7.00 pm Thursday 6 October 2021 at County Fayre Janine put forward her apologies for this meeting.	