

Pohangina Valley Community Committee Meeting

Minutes from Wednesday 11th October 2023 7.00pm County Fayre

Present: Liz Besley, Yvonne Forlong, Julie-Ann Bolton, Cr. Stuart Campbell, Barb Hyde, Simon Francis, Jo Morris-Kynoch.

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| 1 | | Procedural Matters | Action/Carried |
| 1. | Apologies | Michelle Greaves, Negin Nema, Marty Pratt | Carried LB/YF |
| 1.2 | Correspondence | | Carried JAB/LB |
| 1.3 | Confirmation Previous Minutes | That the minutes from the previous meeting held on 14 th August 2023 be carried as a true and correct record. | Carried BH/JAB |
| 1.4 | Matters Arising | <p>Negin advised us that CC ideas for the 150th celebration of the Manchester District need to be to MDC by end of June 2023. Councillor Campbell listed the following as events planned-Dawn Service Parade and settlers Dinner 1-3 March, Activities in the Square 2nd march.</p> <p>Julie Ann to put in a notification re the upcoming celebrations in the newsletter. After discussion it was decided we wouldn't plan anything extra as there is lots happening in Feilding. Yvonne questioned whether it would be good to bury a time capsule as part of the anniversary celebrations and wondered whether this could happen at the cricket ground as part of the East vs West Cricket match. Yvonne to follow up with time capsules and how the process works.</p> | Action Yvonne |
| 2 | | Items for Approval/Information | |

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| 2.1 | Finances | <p>2023/24 Pohangina Valley Community Committee Funding as at 7 October 2023</p> <p>Community Committee Project Fund</p> <p>Opening Balance 8,241.82</p> <p>Closing Balance 8,241.82</p> <p>Community Planning Budget</p> <p>Opening Balance 20,675.91</p> <p>2023/24 allocation from MDC (correction from August report) 10,000.00</p> <p>Closing Balance 30,675.91</p> <p>PVC Trust a/c</p> <p>Opening Balance 2,947.64</p> <p>Closing Balance 2,947.64</p> <p>Note the revised balance.</p> | |
| 2.2 | Emergency Management | <p>Barb reported that she has received 94 respondents to the EMR form. Some discussion around who will instigate the messages for the Emergency Text Tree in the case of a localised event. Barb and Lynda attended the Recap EMR preparedness meeting and the attendance was poor. Barb will submit article for newsletter. Barb felt people were waiting rather than preparing in advance. Lynda and Barb have organised roles for TextTree' and '10 household' text trees seem to be viable. Barb is creating a PowerPoint re Emergency management which will be emailed everyone on the contact list. A Text Tree test is planned. Barb and Lynda will have a stand at the Cricket game in February.</p> <p>It was proposed that there should be 'Dummy Run' days at CD centres.</p> <p>The new household pack should include the EMR Form.</p> <p>DoC support the concept of the EM Centre at the Pohangina Doc base. MDC are writing a use statement which most likely would include tourists and locals. DoC to install a sign with instructions for Emergency Contact details.</p> <p>Communications will rely on local radio comms if the network goes down. Messages will be communicated to CD via locals.</p> <p>DoC will advise Travers of security codes as they change. Apparently there are generators available in Wellington – there was discussion around where a generator should be stored. It was agreed none of the EM kit will be stored at the DoC Base as thief is potentially an issue. EM Kit will be transported as required.</p> | <p>Action Barb</p> <p>Action Yvonne</p> |
| 2.3 | PVCC Protocol | No update | |
| 2.3.1 | PVCC Community Funding | No update | |

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| 2.4 | River Access | No update | |
| 2.5 | Raumai Reserve | No update | |
| 2.6 | Pohangina Recreation Reserve | Lumberland quote for kahikatea fencing was \$18000 incl. GST for rail fencing materials. Sam Taylor has said the fencing could be done in stages as funds become available and said the some design changes would reduce costs. Liz will coordinate meeting re the fencing of the kahikateas. Liz contacted new Geotech person from Council re the new sign design – still waiting to hear. 2500 trees were planted on Planting Day with 115+ people helping. Julie Ann has since had a look at the trees and commented that some of the planting is very poor and the trees are unlikely to survive. Liz said that Turkingtons had said they would review the planting but she is not sure if this has been done yet. | Action Liz Action liz Action liz |
| 2.7 | Pohangina Wetlands Project | | |
| 2.8 | Pohangina Valley Community Trust | | |
| 2.9 | ANZAC DAY | Nothing for this meeting | |
| 2.10 | PVCC Newsletter and Website | | Motion carried Y.Forlong/B.Hyde |
| 2.11 | Community Action Plan | No update | |
| 2.12 | Bus Shelter | Yvonne has contacted Christine Pullar who has made no progress with the project at this stage. Do we want to continue with this? Yvonne to find out what we've paid and what we get for that money. | Action Yvonne |
| 2.13 | Signage Project | No update. | |
| 2.14 | Annual 10 yr plan | No update | |
| 2.15 | Valley Road Lookout | No update | |
| 2.16 | Pohangina Hall Committee | Julie Ann reported – Quiz Night planning in progress. Floor to be resurfaced on the 4 th Nov. at a cost of \$3000. It will make cleaning the floor easier. James and builder and plumber to look at mobility access and toilet in the hall as its currently not up to mobility standards – design to be confirmed. | |

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| 2.17 | Pohangina School and Pool | <p>Simo reported – 7 people attended the AGM. There has been some discussion regarding the pool and how to manage the required testing etc in the future. Mike Etheridge has volunteered to mentor a new person. Simon said we really need a local village person to take over and ideally it would be a team as this shares the load if daily testing. It would be good for Mike to have access to Ade’s notes on the pool management and to review processes. Various other tasks were allocated. Regular uses are still active, but winter usage has been a bit slow. Simon is thinking about approaching the local Lions Club for a new BBQ for the OLD School.</p> <p>An Events Grant has been applied for.</p> <p>Yvonne to get fire extinguisher to Simon for Old School.</p> <p>Simon has asked James from MDC to come out and do a walk-through but no response to date.</p> | Action Yvonne |
| 2.18 | County Fayre | <p>Jo M-K reported –</p> <p>The September Spring Gathering was successful with approx. 80 people attending. The ice cream truck attended and was a hit.</p> <p>The Perspex has been added to the gallery windows for insulation. The bottom windows are being replaced on the 12th October with double glazed aluminium. The Art Trail is this weekend and the Downhill walk is planned for November but ticket sales have been slow. The kitchen renovation has been quoted for. The team is going to look at the new Rangiwahia Hall kitchen on the 20th October. CF will be closing on the 17th December and opening again on the 14th January 2024.</p> <p>Jo asked Simon if the November Drink and Nibbles could be at the Old School to coincide with the Pool Opening. Simon agreed.</p> | |
| 2.19 | Library | <p>There has been a book exchange with lots of new books. Julie Ann is still amazed at how many people have no idea how to access the Library as its in the Newsletter. The Library staff seem to think we have an issue with lost books but Julia Ann thinks its just a discrepancy and its not actually an issue. Julie Ann approached Marie at the library re the programmes to see if we could have some at our Library but there seems to be some monetary restrictions that mean this won’t happen. Julie Ann suggested an Open day at the Library to help people to engage and realise what an asset we have. There is a Play Trailer which might be good to have at the cricket Match. There is a long term plan to have the Library bus out here but its not in the foreseeable future.</p> | |
| 2.20 | New resident packs | <p>Kim and Yvonne had a preliminary meeting and design work is underway.</p> | |
| 3 | Other Business | <p>Nothing to report.</p> | |
| 3.1 | MDC Report | <p>Report from Councillor Stuart Campbell –</p> <p>MDC and Horizons met last week – river management programme was discussed. There has been major issues with weather events and therefore difficulty planning programming of stream and river maintenance. Horizons stated current costs of maintenance are unsustainable and best approach is a structured retreat.</p> <p>LTP work is still in progress. Wastewater Scheme has delays due to funding and increased costs. The new Library is on track.</p> <p>There is a lack of indoor courts in Feilding (only available at Civic Centre and Feilding High School - and the construction of a new 2 court stadium might be added to the LTP.</p> | |

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| 3.2 | School Reserve | No update | |
| 3.3 | Branch Road Walkway | No update | |
| 3.4 | Village Signs | Nothing required | |
| 3.5 | Konewa Shared Pathway | No report | |
| 3.6 | Totara Reserve Advisory Group | The Group is holding an open Day on the 28 th October. | |
| 3.7 | Village road marking | Nothing required | |
| 3.8 | Police Report | No update | |
| 3.9 | No 4 Line update | Nothing required | |
| 4.0 | Roading issues | Marty has raised the issues he sees with the lack of signage on the Valley Road corners north of the Lookout. He believes the middle and top corners need more signage. It was reported last meeting that the roading team has been out and said no further signs will be placed there. | |
| | Meeting Closed | Meeting closed at 9.20pm | |
| | Next Meeting | 7.00pm December 13 th 2023 via Zoom. | |