

Rongotea Community Committee Minutes.

Meeting was held at the Community Centre, Douglas Square at 7pm Monday 2nd November.

Present: L Berry Chairman and acting Secretary, N Rees, H Wheeler, B Procter, J Cook, J and S Liverton, M Munn, C Harper, A Gloyn.

Councillors Present: A Short, A Quarrie.

MDC Emergency Management Officer Jeff Graham, Red Cross Antoinette Stratford, Neighbourhood support Tracey Cuff, were also present.

Apologies: J Hawthorne and Mayor Helen Worboys.

Correspondence: A letter was received from a resident who was unhappy about the state of a property in Rongotea. Discussion was held on this and further items were added to the list including long grass on sections overhanging trees and neglected vehicles on road frontages.

We chose not to name and shame. Our Liaison Councillor Alison Short is going to take the complaints to Council for them to act on.

Please Note: The mowing of the lawns on the verge outside your property is your responsibility. Please have pride in our community. If you are unable to look after this yourself there is a young lad in the village willing to mow your lawns. At cost of course. His name is Jamie contact him on 027 523 0633.

Well done to Richard and Kim at the Rongotea Garage for the amazing job done by the Post Boxes. The level and compact area will make it heaps easier for walking frames and push chairs and a great job done with the dog hitch Richard - Thank You.

Jeff, Tracy and Antoinette introduced themselves and told us about what is on offer in an emergency. Jeff has written an article on this to be put in the paper.

There has been a request for no parking signs to be placed on the right hand side of the cemetery gates to the corner except when there is a funeral as this seriously blocks the vision of vehicles coming up from Lean Road, a real safety issue.

It may not seem like it, but the pigeons are slowly being rehoused, Thanks to those concerned.

MDC Report. They are working on the following, Housing strategy, Youth action plan, Senior action plan due to aging population, Plan change 65 which is protection of our natural features and landscapes. Working through the 10 year plan budgets and asset management plans, reviewing development contributions and housing infill, Community halls and Cemetery Management.

This week sees our existing CEO leaving -Thanks Richard Templer for all your great work over the last 4 and a half years. Interviews for his replacement are well underway.

The Great Rongotea spud dig is to be held at the Community Centre in The Square between 5.30 and 6.30 on Monday the 14th of December. Come along and see how well the contestants have done, you may even have ago yourself next year.

Meeting closed 9pm. Next Meeting 7th December at 7.30.