



## POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the monthly Pokeno Community Committee meeting held in the Pokeno Hall, Pokeno, on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019 commencing at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Helen Clotworthy, Janet McRobbie. Lance Straker, Doug Rowe, Maurice Roberts ,Paul Heta,Charles Hackett Kris Hines Wayne Rodgers,Paul Heta

Guests in Attendance: Clive Morgan WDC, Colin Botica Dines Group

Councillors in Attendance: C Cr S Henderson

Community Members Attending: Community Members attended.

**1. Apologies** and leave of absence: Apologies were received from Cr Jacqi Church,Tricia Graham, Rick Odom, Todd Miller, Blair Johnson

Moved that the apologies be accepted: Kris Hines

Seconded: Lance Straker

### **2 CONFIRMATION OF THE STATUS OF THE AGENDA.**

It was noted that Jan Sedgwick from MARNA was omitted from the minutes

Moved ,Kris Hines,Seconded Janet Mc Robbie

### **3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

**There was disclosure of interest from Helen Clotworthy.**



#### **4 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES** meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Kris Hines  
Seconded Doug Rowe

#### **5 . REPORTS**

Clive Morgan was welcomed to the Community committee by Kris Hines.

Clive introduced himself as the WDC GM of community growth and advised the group that he would be attending our meetings going forward. He explained that it is a new part of council, the strategic plan projects is a new team, focusing on policy analysis growth and community needs. WDC wants more involvement with communities.

#### **5.1 Civil Defence update .**

As Todd Miller was absent ,no update given ,update deferred until July meeting

#### **5.2 POKENO WORKS AND ISSUES STATUS OF ITEMS JUNE 2019**

##### **Colin Botica update to the community regarding TiaKanga Reserve and the Hitchen Block/Hitchen Block Rail overbridge/Grahams Block**

Colin advised that some 1150 lots had been sold to date as residential with another 730/760 available, from them. All up including private and other developers there will be approximately 2455 zoned residential sites (1850 Dines Group)

The Bartel smaller blocks opposite the school established 64 lots and building will commence in some 6/7 weeks.

The Hitchin block could take 7 years to complete. Sales had slowed to around 100 blocks per year. The balance of the Graham block could take another two years to complete the topography work required. So all up the project still had a life of 7 /10 years to completion.

This also included reserves in and around the Graham block/old vineyard. Some 3km to 3.5km of walkways. Dines have approached WDC to incorporate into the development plan.



Colin advised that as the Hitchen Rail Overbridge was open that an official opening and 'blessing' was perhaps unnecessary, as they had taken longer than planned because of remedial issues, fences, etc to fix.

This comment was met with robust 'disagreement' by members of the Committee and community members in attendance. Colin accepted that indeed the wishes of those in attendance should be listened to and agreed to arrange the necessary official opening and a blessing .He will contact Haupai Montgomery and Ted Ngataki To arrange all the details and confirm arrangements with /to Helen Clotworthy.

Colin distributed the TiaKanga Reserve plans (Totara Park)to those in attendance. There will be BBQs installed, bench seats, new Robina climbing structures, swings and upon committee insistence possible a Basketball hoop. All designed to encourage 'older' children to the Park.

The park will be open By July.

Colin updated the community on the Industrial tenants. Mostly every space has been taken. Towards the new bridge end there will be additional space available for light business, e.g., electrical, plumbing etc

The question of local employment opportunities was raised from the floor, Colin deferred to Clive.

Clive explained that WDC had an economic community development manager 'Julie Dolan' She liaises with local business, schools etc.

**ACTION:** It was decided that Julie Dolan would be invited to the next meeting to present to the committee.

Colin was thanked for his attendance and very in depth report by Helen Clotworthy.

### **Foot path ZIGZAG**

Work commenced on the 10<sup>th</sup> June .Thankyou to WDC

### **Double Yellow Lines Helenslee Road 'bend'**

Lines were painted some 3 weeks ago. Thankyou to WDC



### **Toilets**

ACTION: Clive will present an update in July regarding colour pallets etc. to the community.

### **Cemetery Whangarata**

Community groups will be consulted some stage in the future. Meantime consent has been lodged ,pending the District Plan review, which will see most likely the construction heightened to “discretionary activity”

### **Pokeno Urban Upgrade /Wastewater scheme/Road intersections School**

The counties power project and cabling is almost completed. Clive will update the committee at the July meeting

ACTION: The Wastewater quotes and updates will be provided at the July meeting by WDC.

The PCC require an urgent update as to the Traffic intersection on Helenslee roads/Pokeno Road, by the Pokeno school .WDC to provide an update at July meeting

ACTION: WDC to provide an update at the July meeting.

### **Supermarket Update**

The supermarket submissions close on the 18<sup>th</sup> June . There was concern amongst community members that the road frontage parking will be lost from the main street, with no other alternative offered by WDC. The PCC will hold a mini workshop put in a submission around general parking for the public, along GT south Road.

### **Community Projects Munro Road Sports Field**

OPUS has produced a report to WDC ,that will allow the development to go ahead and commence in late January 2020.WDC.Construction will be in 3 stages .Further



details available on the WDC website. Helen Clotworthy thanked WDC and said this was 'fantastic' news for the community.

**ACTION:** The allocation of space for a skate park was discussed. Clive will report on this at the next meeting.

**ACTION:** Additionally, Clive will see where WDC and roading is up to with replacing the one way bridge on Munro Road and report at the July meeting.

### **School Bus Services.**

Paul Heta raised the question regarding school bus journeys and that the community should be mindful that the educational bus may be taken off in lieu of the 'local' bus service. More investigation is needed.

Moved Helen Clotworthy ,seconded Lance Straker

### **5.3 LTP UPDATE**

WDC are working to ensure all consultations are up to date. The solid waste review needs more consultation. The WDC is working on timeframes and working with community groups, engaging and involving and empowering more groups to talk with council .This will lead to the LTP 2020 being completed.

### **5.4 POKENO CC SCHEDULE.**

Clive to invite Julie Dolan to the July meeting.

Helenslee road Pokeno Road intersection update ?

Deferred issues from this meeting ,

### **5.5 STREET NAMING**

No information available.

**ACTION:** Clive to follow up and report to the next meeting.



### **5.6 COUNCILLORS REPORT.**

Cr Henderson reported that the blueprint prepared by Kobus had been approved by WDC.

Cr Henderson was still waiting for an update on the Rail bridge railing replacement by NZTA and NZ rail.

### **5.7 Committee Report**

Doug reported the Community patrol had been 'quiet'.

He thanked Pokeno Bacon for allowing raffles to take place on their premises and allow money to be raised.

The Thursday meet and greets were now being attended bi weekly (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday) by up to 25/30 people

### **5.8 NEXT MEETINGS AGENDA**

THIS WAS COVERED IN 5.2,5.4 5.5

### **5.9 GENERAL BUSINESS.**

The Xmas parade is on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 6pm. There is a lot of interest. Two roading contractor quotes are being prepared in line with WDC policy.

Helen Clotworthy thanked the visitors for their attendance and contribution. There being no **further business the meeting was closed at 9pm.**

**NEXT MEETING July 9<sup>TH</sup> 7PM.** at the Pokeno Hall