



POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the six weekly Pokeno Community Committee meeting held on Monday 19th October 2020 commencing at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Ric Odom ,Chair, Helen Clotworthy, Deputy Chair , Lance Straker ,Secretary, James McRobbie. Doug Rowe, Brenda Roberts, Kris Hines ,Allen Grainger, Helen Johnson, Peter Koizumi

Guests in Attendance: Clive Morgan, WDC, Andrew Wilson WRC, Ross Bayer WDC, Constable Kevin Smith, Tina Yakas, HR Manager Yashili

Councillors in Attendance Cr Jacqui Church

1. Apologies and leave of absence: Apologies were received from Cr Stephanie Henderson

Moved that the apologies be accepted: Moved Lance Straker

Seconded: Doug Rowe

2 CONFIRMATION OF THE STAUS OF THE AGENDA.

Moved : Lance Straker

Seconded: Doug Rowe

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There was disclosure of interest .

Helen Clotworthy noted “urban upgrade” Pokeno Main street /car parks under Pokeno Works and Issues reports was potential conflict of interest.



4 PUBLIC FORUM

Constable Kevin Smith presented that he has been in the Police for 10 years. He is the Community Constable for Pokeno. Monday to Friday based at Community Patrol Base. And he covers out to Mercer and Kaiua. He asked if PCC would be in agreement that a ANPR camera (car number plate reader) be put in place. The committee agreed with the idea in principal and it will be placed on the community wish list. Chair Ric Odom to follow up with Constable Smith for a report at a later date as to costs, etc.

Tina Yakas HR Manager, Yashili, invited the community to November 21st Open Day (with factory tours). They will have other activities, face painting, Bouncy Castle, sausage sizzle etc Any money raised is for the benefit of the Pokeno Community.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Meeting Held Monday 7th September 2020 at Pokeno Community hall.

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Kris Hines

Seconded Helen Johnson

Carried.

6. Correspondence

6.1 No correspondence, inwards .

6.2 Outwards.

Reshape Waikato submission, available online at WDC

Natural Hazards and Climate change submission copies also available online at WDC

7.Public Forum.

7.1 Andrew Wilson WRC Manager , Public Transport,

Presented the Bus service Tenders would be awarded the coming week for the 7-day service (buses 2 hourly) servicing 3 Townships (via Pokeno/Tuakau/Buckland/Pukekohe). A 3 hourly service would operate at weekends. December is the preferred start date or by the 10th of January 2021

Customer Services will issue timetables imminently to the community. All buses will have wheelchair access. The service is a WRC commitment to a 3-year period.



7.2 Ross Bayer WDC Proposed Roading Works Pokeno

The LTP process for WDC has some 250 projects on the go. Ross explained that WDC needs to prioritise these projects and an updated prioritised list would be provided by WDC to the communities. For Pokeno this means in the short term, restructure of road's from Helenslee Road, past the School, to Town centre on Great South Road. This work is to commence soon. In the next 3 weeks a plan is to be provided for the update of Pokeno Road.

PCC to ensure that we put into council for LTP funding of roading projects by NZTA/WDC for work to commence in the next construction period i.e. October 2021. Important this is done in next 3 weeks so projects can be prioritised. It is ideal PCC identify and prioritise projects that are 'safety' orientated.

7.3 Helen Clotworthy Great South Road Traffic Plan

Helen has requested from WDC the road traffic plan for when the supermarket (Countdown) opens.! What is the plan, is there one? What is happening around the 'Truckstop', HGV, service vehicles and usage of Wellington Street ? Safety is a big concern for 'ALL' road users. Ross Bayer communicated to Helen C that he would arrange a walk by, to view the issues around the 'Truckstop'. Ross also informed the PCC that the carpark between the Truckstop and the Shops would be resealed by/in December.

8 REPORTS

8.1 Pokeno Works and Issues Report – October

Clive Morgan gave an update on progress: The report to be taken as written, plus

- **Community connections team re planting of fruit trees project.** Kim Wood at WDC has liaise with Kris Hines to scope out options for planting 1500 Daffodil bulbs !

8.2 LTP update

Nothing to add.

Moved Lance Straker

Seconded Peter Koizumi

carried



8.3 Pokeno Community Committee Schedule.

No update but this will be an ongoing agenda item.

8.4 Subcommittee reports

Events

Allen Grainger stated that a Working Bee arranged for 28th September replanting, garden mulching etc worked well. Special thanks to Central Landscapes Drury, who donated mulch and soil.

Political candidates meeting 24th September at Pokeno Hall was well received

Yashili Open Day Community invited 10am to 1pm Sunday 22nd November.

Christmas Parade Friday December 11th Confirmed 6pm.

Communications.

We need to update the Web site. Meantime Pokeno Facebook page is useful for community to interact with PCC

Facilities

A meeting took place on the 28th September, reports available online at WDC website. Next meeting 2nd November 7 to 9 pm Pokeno Community hall

8.5 Mercer Community Committee

No report.

8.6 Councillors Reports

Cr Church gave her report which included:

- Tuakau Library closed for refurbishment 2/11 to 7/11.
- Totara park does not invest to council from Developers for 2 years, so services can be wanting! BBQ's and benches have been installed lately
- Cr Church to provide an agenda of infrastructure projects to PCC Chair

8.7 Other business.

- Helen Clotworthy has a list of street names for WDC to review.
- Pamela Storey WRC councillor introduced herself for our district. She is one of our 2 representatives on the WRC.



Chair Ric Odom thanked the visitors and public for their attendance and contribution. There being no **further business the meeting was closed at 9.10pm.**

NEXT MEETING Monday 30th November 2020 7PM. at the Pokeno Hall