Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of the Committee meeting held at 7.30pm on 2 Feb 15 at the Redcliffs Community Shed

1. Present: Peter Crowe (Chair), Chris Doudney, Pat McIntosh, Chris Bartlett, Peter

Croft, Grant Bargrove

Apologies: Allan Boucher Absent: Fletcher Stanton

Welcome: Darren Fidler, John Barton

2. Declaration of interest - none

- 3. Minutes. The minutes were moved by Grant, seconded by Chris Bartlett and accepted.
- 4. Deputations/submissions/petitions none
- 5. Notice of motions none
- 6. Correspondence in: an invitation was received from the Community Board to a meeting regarding the Council Representation Review on 12 Feb. Peter Crowe and Chris Doudney agreed to attend and represent the Association.

 A letter from Russell Irving has been received. He is a resident writing to the Council requesting improvements to the roading and safety features for Moncks Spur Road. The Committee agreed to support his efforts as this is an area of concern. Correspondence out: an invitation has been extended to Arohanui Grace to come to the next committee meeting.
- 7. Finance. In the absence of the Treasurer, Chris Doudney presented the draft financial report for 2014, showing a balance at 31 Dec 14 of \$81.77. Acceptance of this was moved by Chris Bartlett, seconded Pat McIntosh and the Committee accepted the report.
- 8. Reports of sub-committees:

Main Road Master Plan – Peter Croft has emailed Yani Johanson and Paul Lonsdale pointing out the conditions in the acceptance requiring further community consultation, and requesting a response.

Coastal Pathway – Peter Crowe reported on the December Community Board meeting at which the revised concept plan for the Beachville Road section was approved. He reported that following an intervention from the floor from a member of the Coastal Pathway committee he requested to speak to the Board directly to correct her statements regarding the RRA. He reiterated that the committee had always been in support of the Pathway project, but the RRA was advocating for the interests of the local residents to be taken into account in the planning process.

Community Pavilion – Chris Doudney said that Yani Johanson had reported that there was to be a meeting with council staff on 19 Dec 14 regarding this, but nothing had been heard from him so far.

Fundraising - the Secretary reported on the results of the grant applications made at the end of November. The application to the Discretionary Response Fund for administration expenses for the next year has been approved by council staff and will be considered by the Community Board at its next meeting on 4 Feb. The application for \$10,910 to the Red Cross Community-led Recovery Fund has been approved but there is additional paperwork still to process. This money will support the work of the RRA for the next 2 years and fund the new website and information exchange, several community events and newsletters.

9. General business

- a. AGM. The Chairman proposed that the AGM be held n the third week of March. After some discussion it was agreed to follow the format of previous years and hold it in the Bowling Club function rooms. The Committee agreed that one presentation would be a talk about the new website and give an opportunity for feedback and community involvement. Various local interests and community groups will be invited to give short presentations about their work and the current status. Suggestions were received to invite the Redcliffs School Principal, Foodstuffs, the Library, the Medical Centre, the Community Shed, and the Union Trust. The next newsletter in mid February is to include notice of the meeting.
- b. Website. The Chairman proposed that a new sub-committee be set up with Chris Bartlett as lead, to help work out a conceptual plan for the website and present it to the Committee. Proposed Chris Doudney, seconded Pat McIntosh, five in favour, Peter Croft abstained.
- c. General communications. There was discussion around encouraging the newsletter editor to have an expanded role in canvassing local groups and publicising local activities, rather than being limited to being a passive recipient of news items.
- d. Darren Fidler, present as a local resident, asked leave to speak and challenged the Committee for not being representative of those people in the community who were parents of young children and who supported the building of a children's scooter park in Beachville Road. The Committee responded that they were aware of the interest in the facility but had received representations from a number of local residents who were opposed to the proposed location and would prefer an alternative location in Redcliffs Park or Barnett Park, sites which had not been considered by the Coastal Pathway Group. The Committee had in fact canvassed opinion in the newsletter and received more responses against this location than in favour. A similar pattern of responses had been shown at the public meeting on the topic. Darren was encouraged to pass on the responses he had elicited to the Committee.
- 11. Next committee meeting at 7.30pm on 2 Mar 15 at the Redcliffs Community Shed.