

Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of the Committee meeting held at 7.30pm on 9th April 2018 at the Redcliffs Library

1. Present: Christine Toner (Chair), Pat McIntosh (Sec), Duncan Currie, Marie-Claude Hebert, Dave Bryce, Tony Burns (Treas) , Fletcher Stanton.

Apologies: Chris Doudney, Darren Fidler, Peter Croft, Chris Bartlett.

2. Declarations of interest. None

3. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting of 5th March 2018 were moved by Pat, seconded by Tony and accepted. Matters arising dealt with under subcommittee business.

4. Appointment of Chairman. Christine Toner was nominated for Chairman by Pat and seconded by Dave. There were no other nominations and Christine was appointed as Chairman by acclamation. Nominations were sought for the position of Vice Chairman but none were received.

5. Notice of motions. None

6. Correspondence in. Barry Hayes, Council - request for feedback re proposed parking restriction; circulated to residents and response fed back.
Wayne Hawker – request for support for Phillipstown community group against liquor application.

Correspondence out. Thank you to the speakers at the AGM. Letter to Community Board Licensing committee about application for liquor outlet in Phillipstown

7. Finance. The grant provided by the Strengthening Communities Fund has not been fully spent and there was discussion about asking for an extension of time for spending this.

Pat proposed offering the Redcliffs Library a donation of \$100 in recognition of the inconvenience and expense of letting the committee use the rooms. The motion was seconded by Marie Claude and passed unanimously. **Action - Treasurer**

8. Reports of sub-committees:

a. CCC, Coastal Pathway. An unnecessary street sign has appeared on the Coastal Pathway at Redcliffs Park (Warning of children) and Pat has reported this to the CCPG, who were upset as they had an agreement with Council to minimise signage. Duncan mentioned that piles of weeds were being left for considerable periods on the pathway. He also asked for additional rubbish facilities to be provided at the east end where fishing activities take place. It was agreed to put this to Council. **Action - sec.**
There was discussion around improving cooperation and Marie Claude agreed to ask to attend CCPG committee meetings whenever possible, as the RRA representative.

Action - Marie Claude

Duncan was concerned that people fishing and collecting shellfish from the estuary adjacent to the pathway might be putting themselves at risk from biological and heavy

metal contaminants. It was agreed to ask the Public Health department for comment about the degree of risk and whether signage was needed. **Action – Sec**

b. Main Road Master Plan. No report. Christine agreed to contact the Community Board to ask about progress on this.

c. Newsletter, community and social events, fundraising. It was suggested that the committee should go back to producing a paper newsletter for residents every 2-3 months on a regular basis. Marie Claude has a good template for this. She will liaise with Darren about it. A suggestion for a community event was put forward, focussing on consultations and how to effectively respond to them, and that the committee should book the Function Centre and provide pizza. This suggestion was supported by the committee.

d. Website, email, communications. No report.

e. Environment. Dave reported on the Barnett Park landscape plan produced pro bono by Nikki Smetham of Rough and Milne (landscape architects) and presented it to the committee. Comment was favourable. Dave will advise the secretary of their contact details and it was agreed to write on behalf of the committee to thank them for their efforts. It was suggested that when the plants for Barnett Park arrive this would be a good opportunity for a community planting effort/event. **Action – Dave, Sec** Drayton Reserve is having ongoing problems with contractors damaging planted areas, and Dave has had a meeting with them. The group has one thousand plants to put in this year.

f. Response and Resilience Team. Pat reported that they now have a complete working kit for the Hub including radios. Other community groups in Christchurch are starting to work on this and are interested in hearing how Redcliffs is organising,

9. General business.

a. AGM debrief. The AGM went well and the efforts of the Timebank in providing refreshments afterward were much appreciated. Pat requested that the committee attend at least half an hour early next year to assist with setting up the venue and greeting the residents.

b. Long Term Plan consultation – individual committee members have responded to this but it was agreed not to provide an RRA submission.

c. Street sweeping – complaints have been received about the lack of effective street sweeping for a long time and about the grass growing in the gutters in Main Road and Beachville Road. It was agreed to write to the responsible department at Council. **Action - Sec**

d. Plantings in street, berms and road features. The committee is concerned about the poor state of the ornamental planting and lack of routine maintenance in Main Road between the Causeway and Shag Rock. It was felt that the residents themselves could take more responsibility for this and that an offer to that effect should be made to Council. The question was raised as to why the plantings in Sumner appeared to receive much more attention than those in Redcliffs. The secretary was requested to pursue this with Council. **Action – Sec**

e. Maintenance and repair of Moncks Bay Tram Shelter. It has been pointed out that the historic tram shelter is in need of urgent maintenance to protect the roof and also general maintenance. The committee supported this work being done as soon as

possible. It was agreed that it was necessary to find out if the shelter was registered with the Historic Places Trust. It was pointed out that it sits on deeds land with no title. Christine will contact Heritage New Zealand to pursue the possibility of a proposal for renovations to be carried out as part of a community project. She will also contact Topsy Rule to get more background information. **Action - Sec, Christine**

f. Item postponed through lack of time.

g. A request has been made by Sumner Silver Band for the committee to seek funds for the purchase of music and instruments through the Strengthening Communities Fund. However it was felt that the Band could pursue such an application directly and did not need to go through the RRA Committee. The Band also needs to be reminded that they have unspent funds from the last grant application and a deadline for spending this, failing which that money will need to be returned.

11. Next committee meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 7th May 2018 at the Redcliffs Library. Apologies in advance from Christine.