

Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting held Monday 6th December 2021

at the Redcliffs Library

Present: Christine Toner (chair) Tony Burns (Treasurer) Ashley Rule
Chris Doudney Peter Croft Martin Ward
Robyn Pearson Tony Burns Ann Ebert (Minutes)
David Bryce

Apologies: Pat McIntosh Chris Bartlett Evan Price
Marie-Claude Herbert Duncan Currie Martin Ward

1. **Welcome** – all welcomed

2. **Declaration of Interest** – none presented

3. **Minutes of previous meeting**

- a. Minutes of meeting on 06 December 2021 were confirmed as a true and accurate record – MOVED Robyn Pearson / SECONDED Chairman. Chair to send copy to Pat a copy with a few minor amendment
- b. Matters arising – there were no matters arising.

4. **Deputations / Submissions / Petitions** – none presented

5. **Notice of Motions** – none received

6. **Correspondence:**

a. **Inwards**

From	Subject
Pete Franklin, Coastal Pathway group	Update and request for letter in support of toilet facilities in Moncks Bay - sent
Kristie Boland, new reporter for Bay Harbour News	To introduce herself.
A Star Reporter	A Star reporter phoned looking for a comment about the Community Boards decision about not to do anything about the rocks on the beach. Chair made comment about disappointment. Further investigation to be carried out re this decision and if anything can be done. . ACTION Chair
Various notices from SCRA, Heathcote Valley Community, Lyttelton Harbour Review, Sumner Bays Union Trust	Forwarded by email to all committee members

b. Inwards

To:	Subject
Kristie Boland	Welcome to Council Sustainability Committee expressing the opposition of the RRA to the proposed routing of the Green Edge Pathway through the reserve and requesting it not be put out to consultation in this form.
Redcliffs Library – Susan Croft	Requirement for double vaccination to be shown by 13 th December 2021. Chair will be responsible for verification of this. App needed to sign in which will need to be sighted. Need to determine how this RRA meetings can meet with Library requirements and what safety protocols can be put in place. Between now and February 2022 meeting committee members to contact Chair or Pat to advise of vaccination status. ACTION Chair and Pat to sort to sort out policy. Email Christine@toner.co.nz to advise or Pat with scan of Vaccination Passport.

7. Finance: Bank statement - income and expenditure – Tony Burns had circulated details with this with report. Noted that two carry forward items had been omitted but this doesn't make a difference to the bottom line. Current balance \$1763.49.

8. Reports of Sub Committees:

a. CCC, Coastal Pathway – meeting in a week's time. Ashley and Christine to attend.

Dean Kilbride extended invitation to RRA to attend drop in sessions with Fulton Hogan on work on the coastal pathway. Ashley and Christine to attend and circulate details of meeting to newsletter distribution list. Names needed of those attending as Covid restrictions will apply to numbers.

360 Pathway – Colin Muerk's Pathway. Chris Doudney reported that Council are currently looking at alternative pathway options for this and that the Council meeting to discuss this had been postponed.

Estuary Trust – major survey of cockles had taken place with approx 25 stations assessed – poor sample of cockle findings resulted. (Nothing found in the sample taken at Chris's patch.)

b. Coastal Issues

Public meeting was held with 24 people attending at the school, with the Council Coastal adaptation team and District Planner who spoke to group about the changes that will need to be made to the District Plan as a result of the coastal hazard changes. A note of thanks to Evan Price for organising this meeting. Redcliffs meeting was a follow up to the Sumner meeting – feedback required by 16 December approx. Planning stages are still continuing. Building restrictions being considered.

c. Community and social events, fundraising, newsletter

Newsletter – Christine and Chris B to work on this to be out by Christmas (hopefully). Christine to contact Community Board regarding printing of a newsletter for distribution

to local area – pre or post Christmas circulation. Hope to reach more of the 3,000 houses in the community. This is to summarise the work done by the groups (small annual report). This will hopefully encourage residents to sign up for email updates. Peter asked that the Sumner Silver Band to get a mention if possible. ACTION: Chair and Chris B

Website – Chris B to migrate to a new version of the software. Duplications on current site, writers asked to put words together if they have any contribution. ACTION: Chris B and David to update environmental section of website.

d. Website, email, communications, Facebook

Call to committee who may be interested in being part of a subgroup to contribute to communications in the above.

e. Environment, Eco village, Climate change action

David Bryce – presented a report / impressions of the events over the years. His report is to be circulated separately. ACTION: David to produce annual report to present next meeting and to be included on website

Noted the Estuary Fest scheduled for 2022 has been cancelled due to Covid. ACTION: David to provide newsletter information on Bullibulli – a plant people think is a weed but has many things going for it.

f. Regreening Barnett Park and Predator Free Redcliffs

Christine reported from Martin for November. Report follows at the end of minutes

g. Possum trapping

Business as usual and trying to find new areas for trap lines – unsuccessful at this stage.

h. Response and Resilience Team – no report available

i. 100 years of Burgesses Association

Christine reported that she had commenced this project with an interview with Austin Ebert. This project would be best to focus on people who had been part of the Burgesses Association and Residents Association. This would give an update of the organisation since the last time it was recorded. ACTION: Christine to speak to Peter Croft and David Bryce on records they may have. Austin Ebert to follow up with information that may be available in the Sumner Museum. People and businesses of the area to also be followed contacted for their input. Shoreline newspaper owners / writers suggested as a lead by Peter Croft (Mike Knox).

9. General Business.

a. Community Board Sustainability Charter – signed by Secretary 19th November 2021 on behalf of RRA. Feedback from Chris Doudney was that this was a very positive meeting but he was unsure of the specific content.

b. Social meeting December / January - Christine has offered her place for a meeting gathering. Christine to send invitation to committee members – possibilities of 29 or 30th December 2021.

10. **Any Other Business.** Chair offered thanks to all who have attended meetings.
11. Summarise decisions / Responsibilities/ Special items for next meeting agenda.
12. **Next Committee Meeting at Redcliffs Library.** Time 7.30pm Date 7th February 2022

Barnett Park Re-greening Project Report for November – Martin Ward

Agreement has been reached to extend the areas we are permitted to work in with the addition of a fourth 'safe' area closer to the main cave.

Boneseed weeding has been completed for the year with outstanding coverage of the valley within the full area designated as safe to access. Small pockets of larger bushes only remain. Regrowth will keep us entertained for years however. Elder in the lower valley has been targeted in two Wednesday afternoon outings and is to be targeted next month by a team from Jobs for Nature organised by the Council.

Sheep removal has been finally achieved by the CCC 'stock' Ranger after several attempts and hopefully secure fencing is now in place on the western boundary with Rutherford's land.

One of our volunteers has been 'approved' by Rangers to use chainsaws in the park. Investigations are being made into formal training in chainsaw use.

Inspection by our team's ecologist with the CCC's Ranger ecologist has confirmed the great potential of the valley for restoration with numerous species of importance some known at only a few other locations in this area. A number of possible locations for in-fill planting of native seedlings next spring have been identified.

An area of planting approximately 12/15 years old has been located on the eastern side towards the main cave overgrown with Muehlenbeckia and banana passionfruit. This is being cleared by our team on weekly visits

A group of Redcliffs School pupils with teacher and parent in tow have made a first visit to an area of younger planting with a view to 'adopting' it for ongoing weed control, planting and possibly predator control. This area which is towards the main cave on the eastern side of the valley was outside our 'approved' work area but was included at our request after discussion with the Chief Ranger as noted above.

Ashley Rule has information on possum trapping