

Redcliffs Residents Association

Minutes of the Committee meeting held at 7.30pm on Monday 8th April 2024 at the Redcliffs Library

1. Present: Christine Toner (Chair), Pat McIntosh (Sec), Chris Bartlett, Tony Burns (Treas), Peter Croft, Chris Doudney, Robyn Pearson, Martin Ward
Apologies: Ashley Rule, Evan Price
Absent: Duncan Currie,
2. Declaration of Interest (conflict of interest). None.
3. Deputations/submissions/petitions. None.
4. Notice of motions. None.
5. Minutes. Acceptance of the Minutes of 11th March 2024 was proposed by Christine, seconded by Robyn and agreed. Matters arising. Pat reported that she had taken the issue of illegal parking to the Community Board on 14th March and they agreed to ask staff to look at what could be done.
6. Correspondence: In: Info re ECan and CCC long term plan consultations-circulated.
From Andrea Davis, Chair of Summner Residents Association proposing a joint meeting with particular discussion of emegency planning.
From Waitaha Community Led Development coordinator, invitation to hui. Circulated.
7. Finance. Tony reported that we reimbursed Laura Dallet and Martin a total of \$895.57 for Barnett Park expenditure plus we received \$14.63 interest from the bank. The balance at the end of March was \$15,209.66. You can see how this is split between the different 'projects' within the attached spreadsheet. I need to complete (by end of April) the March GST return (for last 6 months) - which should return just over \$1,000 back into the account. The Regreening Barnett Park group has just received a grant of \$20,000 from the Rata Foundation. An application to the Strengthening Communities Fund has been made for administrative expenses of \$1641 for the year 2024/25 in accordance with the decision at the past meeting. We still have funds for a community meeting in the winter in this year's allocation.
8. Reports of sub-committees:
 - a. CCC, Coastal Pathway. Peter Franklin and Bruce Hewitt have been in discussions with council staff about the status of the land adjoining the estuary in Main Road and Moncks Bay. They have asked for the views of the RRA and the committee supported their efforts to seek clarification and look forward to hearing the results of their investigations. There was discussion about the recurrent subsidence at the west corner of Beachville Road and Tony will monitor the situation and report to council if it is worsening despite the recent partial repairs. Peter asked that the RRA write to council to expedite the replacement of the pohutakawa trees and rose bushes removed from the planted beds in the course of building the new Medical Centre. **Action - Sec**
 - b. Coastal issues. Chris will oganise the local volunteers for the Mother of All Cleanups on 11th May.

- c. Newsletter, community and social events, fundraising. Christine will organise a newsletter for delivery and the committee will help deliver. **Action - Christine**
- d. Website, email, communications, Facebook. Christine reported that Facebook involvement is still increasing.
- e. Environment, Eco Village, climate change action. Concern was raised by several committee members about the adverse effects on climate change action expected as a result of the policies of the current government.
- f. Regreening Barnett Park and Predator Free Redcliffs Martin reported that the Rata Foundation has donated \$20,000 for rope access work to clear pest plants from the bluffs. There will be a meeting with the rangers in a week. He will submit to the consultation on the Long Term Plan requesting council do more to support the rangers and their work in the regeneration space. Ground work has started in preparation for another planting session in May. Martin is hopeful of improving communications with the neighbouring Rutherford family especially about fencing issues. Possible contacts were discussed.
- g. Response and Resilience Team, emergency planning. There have been expressions of interest from Dawn Dart, Cheryl Cowden and the Ferrymead Lions. Christine suggested establishing closer ties with the School and inviting the headmaster to our AGM. Christine and Robyn will introduce themselves to him. Alternative suggestions for a Community Emergency Hub were discussed including the Pottery Club, the School and Augusta Street Church Hall.

9. General business.

- a. Constitution. Martin expressed concern about the possible exclusion of some residents from membership by requiring formal signing up, but the committee agreed that it could avoid this by creating various classes of membership, such as community or associate members without needing to alter the constitution. The acceptance of the draft constitution was proposed by Christine, seconded by Chris and carried, subject to any amendments required by IRD in relation to potentially becoming a donee organization. Tony will investigate this. Christine proposed a vote of thanks to the secretary for her work in preparing the new constitution. **Action - Tony**
- b. The committee will gather at the school at 6.15pm to prepare the hall.
- c. LTP – Martin suggested that we should submit on the plan expressing support for the good work that is being done.

10. Other business.

- .a. Chris asked that we request council to put the notices for fishermen on the face of the seawall, and by the car parks, not in the Reserve. **Action – Sec**

11. Next committee meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 13th May 2024 at the Redcliffs Library.