



Plimmerton Residents' Association Inc

Draft minutes of 2017 Annual General Meeting

Monday 15 May 2017 at Plimmerton Boating Club

Chair: Colin Bleasdale

Minute Secretary: Robin Jones

The attendance list is attached at the end of these minutes.

Welcome

The Meeting opened at 7.35pm.

The Chair, Colin Bleasdale, welcomed everyone, and thanked Murray Kilpatrick for the pre-meeting musical entertainment.

Apologies were received from:

Tim & Lana Sheppard

Susie McVicar

Sandy & David Werner

Noeline Gordon

Roberta and Brian McKeon

Isabella Cawthorn

Rosaleen Conway

Philippa Doig

Niels Gedge & Janette Wallace Gedge

Dave & Lesley Wilson

Miria Pomare

Lynette Shum

Parore whānau

Robin & Dorothy Mitchell

Joan Reader

Allan & Gillian Dodson

Minutes from last AGM: Colin Bleasdale noted that the 2016 AGM minutes had been available on the website and also emailed out, so everyone had had an opportunity to read them. Colin called for any amendments to the minutes. None were received.

Colin moved that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the 2016 AGM. Seconded Judi Thomson. Carried unanimously.

Colin called for any matters arising - none were raised.

Chair's Report for 2016/17 from Colin Bleasdale, Chair.

Colin noted that his report was available on the web site and had also been emailed to members. He thanked the current committee and co-opted volunteers for their hard work over the last year, and introduced them and their project portfolios:

Roger Beckett - Treasurer, sub committees, projects.

Carolyn Williams - communications, newsletter, sub committees, projects.

Alan Reader - civil defence

Pip Piper - PCC watch, SH1 watch, correspondence and submissions.

David Verrinder - “The Big Spring Clean”, Taupō Stream, AGM, security cameras.

Robin Jones - minute secretary, sub committees.

Judi Thomson - traffic management.

Carolina Gartner (who has resigned due to other commitments)

Co-optees and volunteers:

Landscaping and design: Linda Kerkmeester.

Web Site - Sandra Werner, Anne Johnston and Warrick Procter.

Heritage Trail - Andrew Deller, Deirdre Dale, Mary Beckett.

Relief minute secretary - Janette Wallace Gedge

“Crew Shed” investigation - Mike Gould.

Colin invited those present to engage with portfolio managers during the social time after the meeting.

He also announced the new PRA website: www.plimmerton.nz and encouraged everyone to check it out.

He noted the ongoing positive and open relationship with Porirua City Council, and acknowledged in particular the support of Dale Williams (Northern Ward councillor) and Village Planning liaison, Bill Inge. He also thanked Jenny Brash (GWRC councillor) for her ongoing support.

Colin thanked Plimmerton School for allowing PRA to hold its monthly meetings in the school staffroom.

He then summarised the key projects worked on during the past year and thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work.

Special Service Award Presentation to Pip Piper:

Pip Piper is standing down from the committee after many years. Colin acknowledged Pip’s years of service as a PRA committee member and thanked him for his hard work, dedication and commonsense. He presented him with a gift in recognition of his efforts.

Pip replied, acknowledging the efforts of those past PRA committee members who had achieved so much with major projects such as the station renovation and the promenade seating.

Financial Report for 2016/17 from Roger Beckett, Treasurer

Roger introduced the 2016/17 Performance Report (including the annual financial statement) and the draft 2017/18 budget. The documents had previously been

emailed out and also posted on the web site. He asked if there were any questions regarding the documents. There were none from the floor.

Roger noted the strong growth in subscriptions, with 205 financial members in 2016/17, and 188 have already subscribed for 2017/18. He expressed appreciation on behalf of PRA for the generous donations made by many members on top of their subscriptions.

He then briefly reviewed expenditure, noting that the security camera project is being funded by a grant, which is expected to be spent in the current financial year. He also mentioned that there is \$5,800 set aside as committed funding for additional work at Karehana Park.

Roger also explained the background behind a proposed motion to amend the PRA constitution to change the PRA financial year end to align with PCC year end of 30 June. This is to better align the two funding streams from PRA and PCC Village Planning, and will assist project budgeting. Unfortunately, the motion had been publicly notified too late for this year's AGM, and has now been deferred for consideration at next year's AGM.

Roger expressed his appreciation to Alan Laurensen for his independent review of the financial statements.

Roger proposed the 2016/17 Performance Report be accepted, and the budget noted. Seconded Colin Bleasdale, carried unanimously.

Colin expressed thanks on behalf of the PRA for Roger's continued dedication to his role as Treasurer.

Guest Speakers

Senior Constable Simon Bygate, Community Crime Prevention Officer, NZ Police

Senior Constable Bygate addressed the meeting on safe driving in the community. He emphasised the need to drive to conditions, and to see the speed limit as a maximum but not always a safe driving speed. He warned of the dangers of distractions when driving, and emphasised the value of seatbelts in preventing injuries.

A resident asked how local crime statistics were being published. SC Bygate is sending these out to residents' associations, and there was general agreement from those present for having PRA forward those to its email database.

Pest Free Plimmerton (Linda Kerkmeester, Heather Evans, Kelvin Hastie)

Linda started her talk by reporting that Pest Free Plimmerton trappers have killed 585 rats in their first year of operation. This splendid result was met with spontaneous applause. She talked about what has been achieved to date and what's planned for Pest Free Plimmerton and other groups in Porirua. She then introduced Kelvin Hastie of Pest Free Crofton Downs, who was the Environment category winner in the Wellingtonian of the Year award. He spoke about the positive outcomes of pest control for birds and other native fauna.

Linda reported that there are now over 200 backyard traps in Plimmerton, being approximately one in five households, the aim being for one in four.

Heather then spoke about community engagement and planned activities, such as penguin nesting boxes and bird counts.

Linda and Heather closed by thanking Sandy Werner for her amazing slideshow of the native flora and fauna in her garden, PRA for its support of 30 DOC 200 mustelid traps, and the PFP's volunteer team of trappers and trap checkers for their diligence in reducing pest numbers.

Taupō Plimmerton Heritage Trail (Andrew Deller & Deirdre Dale, with slideshow by Mary Beckett)

Andrew reviewed the history of the project, which now has 35 heritage trail sites and full documentation on the new website, www.plimmerton.nz. He thanked Anne Johnston for her wonderful design work, Bill Inge and others at PCC for their guidance and support, and also thanked Deirdre and Mary for their thorough research and their efforts in making the trail a reality.

Deirdre then outlined the plans for the newly formed Taupō Plimmerton Heritage Group, and encouraged anyone interested to get involved.

Election of the Executive Committee for 2016/17

Colin announced that of the current committee the following had agreed to stand again and were nominated:

**Colin Bleasdale
David Verrinder
Carolyn Williams
Robin Jones
Roger Beckett
Alan Reader
Judi Thomson**

He also announced that **Tim Sheppard**, had been nominated.

Colin then called for any further nominations. Dave Anderson was nominated. Dave indicated he would consider it but was not ready to stand at this time.

Colin then moved the nominations be approved. Agreed unanimously.

The following were duly elected to the executive committee:

**Colin Bleasdale
David Verrinder
Carolyn Williams
Robin Jones
Roger Beckett
Alan Reader
Judi Thomson
Tim Sheppard**

Prize draw and Door Raffle:

The prize draw for financial members of PRA then took place with prizes donated from local businesses.

Deidre Lee Yoga Flow classes:	Margaret & John Bache
Plimmerton Boating Club dinner voucher:	Clare & Jeff Thomas
Topor Bistro voucher :	Mandy Hewett & Richard Leeke
Lighthouse Cinema tickets:	Evelyn Bauer & Mike O'Hara
Beau Cadeaux voucher:	Ian & Sophie Rudd
New Plimmerton Thai meal voucher:	Richard de Groot
Big Salami coffee card:	Colleen Ward
Samuel Brees Print: <i>(Sponsored by Wellington Photographic Supplies)</i>	Martin & Jeanette Robinson

The door raffle prize of a Black Rose Florist / Plimmerton Deli gift basket was won by Evangeline Feleo (Ticket C31 Orange).

Carolyn Williams thanked all our prize sponsors for their generosity in supporting PRA.

Acknowledgements

Colin expressed his thanks to:

- Porirua City Council and Bill Inge for their support through the Village Planning programme.
- Greater Wellington Regional councillors Jenny Brash and Barbara Donaldson for their continued support of PRA activities.
- Euon Murrell and Tommy's Real Estate for assistance with printing requirements throughout the year.
- All presenters:
 - Senior Constable Simon Bygate (NZ Police)
 - Linda Kerkmeester, Heather Evans & guest Kelvin Hastie (Pest Free Plimmerton)
 - Andrew Deller and Deirdre Dale (Taupō Plimmerton Heritage Trail)
- Mary Beckett and Sandy Werner for their amazing slideshows
- Plimmerton Boating Club for hosting the AGM

He then closed the formal part of the meeting with an invitation for all to join the committee for refreshments and informal discussion.

The formal meeting closed at 9.05pm.

In attendance:

Anderson, D
Barton, Julia
Beckett, Mary
Bell, Brian
Bleasdale, Colin
Bond, Hadley
Brash, Jenny
Brown, Barbara
Brown, Shelley
Cawthorn, Martin
Collins, Sheryl
Cotterill, Mark
De Groot, Richard
Doig, Mike
Ellison, David
Falvey, J
Feleo, Evangeline
Gard'ner, M
Gould, Mike
Hopwood, Heidi
Johnston, J
Jones, Robin
Kerkmeester, Linda
Knox, Kevin
Lee, Murray
McAuley, Bill
McKoy, John
Mosen, Brian
Murrell, Euon
Norton, Jenni
Patterson, Rosemary
Procter, Robyn
Reader, Alan
Robinson, Martin
Sandell, Liz
Shotter, Greg
Simmonds, Barbara
Smith, Shona
Verrinder, David
Watkin, Roger
Williams, Carolyn

Baker, Anita
Barton, Pete
Beckett, Roger
Bell, Kath
Bleasdale, Marg
Brady, Terry
Brown, Alister
Brown, John
Cawthorn, Frances
Clark, Kevin
Conway, Gerry
Dale, Deirdre
Deller, Andrew
Donaldson, Barbara
Evans, Heather
Falvey, S
Gard'ner, B
Gartner, Carolina
Hastie, Kelvin
Janssen, Annemarie
Johnston, R
Jones, Russell
Kilpatrick, Murray
Langbein, Angus
Martin, Denis
McEwen, Barry
McKoy, Judy
Mowday, Geoff (Whitby Newsbrief)
Neeson, Mark
Patterson, Lee
Piper, Pip
Procter, Warrick
Robinson, Jeanette
Ryan, Mike
Scott, Helen
Shotter, Sue
Simmonds, Barry
Thomson, Judi
Ward, Colleen
Webber, Helen
Williams, Dale