

Plimmerton Residents' Association Inc (PRA)
Minutes of 2025 Annual General Meeting
Monday, 25 August 2025 at Plimmerton Boating Club

Meeting Chair: David Verrinder

Minute taker: Robin Jones

Attendance: The attendance list is included at the end of these minutes.

1. Welcome:

The Chair (David Verrinder) opened the meeting at 7.00pm with a welcome to everyone.

2. Speaker - Plimmerton Boating Club (PBC)

The Chair introduced PBC Commodore David Morahan.

David M explained the changes to hospitality, with The Jetty Café now operating upstairs in the clubhouse with arguably “the best view in the Wellington area”.

He then outlined the activities celebrating the PBC centenary this year. The club has operated continuously on the same site since 1925. He acknowledged the club's long-standing relationship with Hongoeka marae, noting that Hongoeka community members played a key role in the centenary celebrations.

PBC also published a club history book to mark the occasion.

David M then outlined the club's strategy and the major changes implemented to ensure financial viability. The club is now run entirely by volunteers.

Major repairs were required to the jetty and David M acknowledged the support of NZCT and Hutt Mana Charitable Trust to complete this work.

A regular newsletter is sent out to subscribers.

The club continues to host regular open mic nights and quiz nights, and live music events.

PBC is also working with the Kai Ika charity to reduce fish waste. Kai Ika collects and distributes fish frames to the community.

Committee member Isabella Cawthorn then provided more insight into the club's strategy, emphasising the three pillars of Sustainability, Members and Community. She encouraged the community to get involved with PBC as volunteers.

David V thanked both David M and Isabella for their enthusiastic presentation, which was received very warmly with a round of applause.

3. Presentation to Jenny Brash

PRA committee member Robin Jones paid tribute to Jenny Brash who has stood down from the PRA committee, speaking of her continued dedication to her community.

Robin noted Jenny's exceptional career as an elected representative, having served three terms as a Porirua ward councillor, four terms as Porirua's mayor, and four terms as a GWRC councillor.

The PRA committee has nominated Jenny for Life Membership of the association, and a formal motion was approved with enthusiasm by those present.

Motion:

"In accordance with the society's Constitution the Executive Committee of Plimmerton Residents' Association Incorporated nominates Jenny Brash to be made a Life Member of the society with immediate effect, and asks that financial members attending this AGM approve this resolution."

Moved: David Verrinder (Chair)

Seconded: Robin Jones (Secretary)

Carried: Unanimous

David V then presented Jenny with flowers and a gift voucher.

4. Formal Business

The Chair then opened the formal business session and reminded everyone that only financial members of the PRA could vote on formal motions.

David introduced himself and the other members of the current executive committee (Dave Anderson, Carolyn Williams, Don Gray, Robin Jones, Robynne McIntyre, Jenny Brash, and John Meeuwsen) and explained their respective roles.

He also thanked others who work hard for the PRA outside of the committee, in particular Allan Dodson, Sue Ineson, Pip Hay and Violet Rowe.

David then acknowledged the contribution of former executive committee member Alan Reader, who passed away during the year. Alan was particularly involved with emergency management preparation.

4.1 Apologies received and noted:

Linda Moon

Chris Collins

Carolyn & Peter Williams

Linda McConchie

Donna Jensen

Moana Parata

Mary Beckett

Warrick Procter

Kelly Dornbusch & Geraldine Jordan

4.2 Minutes of the 2024 PRA AGM and matters arising

The minutes of the 2024 AGM had been posted on the PRA website.

David asked if there were any comments or matters arising. There were none.

Motion:

“That the minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting of Plimmerton Residents’ Association be accepted as a true and proper record.”

Moved: Robin Jones Seconded: Brendan Gard’ner

Carried: Unanimous

4.3 Chair Report

David noted that the full Chair Report has been posted on the PRA website.

He briefly summarised the key points, noting in particular:

- the continued importance of growing the street group network as part of emergency preparedness;
- the changed relationship with PCC following their decision to end the village planning programme; and
- the continued hard work put in by Carolyn Williams and her comms team to keep the community well informed through the newsletter, website and FaceBook. This was met with a round of applause.

4.4 Performance Report for 2024/25 (Don Gray - Treasurer)

Don noted that the annual Financial Statement and Performance Report had been on the PRA website for the last couple of weeks.

Don asked for any questions. There were none.

Don explained that the work of the PRA relies heavily on membership subscriptions. He thanked everyone who has paid their subs this year.

Motion:

“That the Financial Statement and Performance Report for the year ended 30 June 2025 be approved.”

Moved: Don Gray Seconded: John Meeuwsen

Carried: Unanimous

Don also announced the winner of the Stihl subscriber prize - Evangeline Feleo.

4.5 Election of Executive Committee for 2025/26

Allan Dodson conducted this part of the meeting.

Seven nominations had been received for the 2025/26 executive committee - David Verrinder, Dave Anderson, Carolyn Williams, Don Gray, Robin Jones, Robynne McIntyre and John Meeuwsen (All nominated by Allan Dodson).

Motion:

“That the following be appointed to the Executive Committee of the Plimmerton Residents’ Association for the 2025-26 year:

David Verrinder, Dave Anderson, Carolyn Williams, Don Gray, Robin Jones, Robynne McIntyre and John Meeuwsen.”

Moved: Allan Dodson

Seconded: Jenny Brash

Carried: Unanimous

4.6 Adoption of the 2025 Constitution

Don briefly outlined the reasons for requiring a new constitution, and noted the documents had been circulated to financial members along with the formal resolution. All documents are available on the PRA website.

Motion:

“The Incorporated Societies Act 2022 requires all Incorporated Societies to:

- have a constitution that is in accordance with the new requirements set out in the Act, and;
- re-register the updated constitution with the New Zealand Companies Office by 5 April 2026.

It is therefore resolved that:

- the draft Constitution of Plimmerton Residents’ Association Incorporated as recommended by the Executive Committee on 7 July 2025 be adopted, and;
- it be forwarded to the Companies Office to meet the re-registration requirements, and;
- it come into force on the date of its approval by the Companies Office.”

Moved: Don Gray

Seconded: Robin Jones

Carried: Unanimous

4.7 Close of formal business

The Chair asked if there were any questions from the floor. There were none. He encouraged residents to get in touch with PRA (plimmertonra@gmail.com) at any time with any questions or input.

David noted that Paremata Residents’ Association and Plimmerton Residents’ Association are collaborating on hosting a public candidates meeting on 14 September, 7pm-9pm, at St Barnabas Church.

5. Close

David V thanked the Commodore and committee of Plimmerton Boating Club for the use of their facilities. He also thanked the PVFB for their dedicated support of the community, and all PRA supporters, in particular the flier delivery crew, and generous sponsors Euon Murrell and Tommy's Real Estate, and Alistair and Stihl Shop, Porirua.

The AGM closed at 8.10pm.

PRA AGM 2025 Attendance Register

Dave Anderson	Carolyn Parris
Robynne McIntyre	Mike Doig
Wendy Lyons	Martin Cawthorn
Mike Lyons	Carolyn Parris
David Verrinder	John Cody
Don Gray	Grenville Gaskell
Colin Munn	Aditi Tiwari
David Morahan	P Sargent
Becs Morahan	Julie Rich
Michelle Williamson	Pip Hay
Robin Jones	John Meeuwsen
Anita Baker (Mayor)	Russell Jones
Phil Rhodes	Joan Reader
Cathy McKenzie	Kylie Schaumkel
Robyn Rawles	Andrea Brown
Allan Dodson	Greg Brown
Wendy Poludore	Isabella Cawthorn
Megan Krishnan	Roberta McKeon
Nathan Waddle	Brian McKeon
Nigel Smith	Shaun Niemann
Lori Walker	Ben Gilbert
David White	Jo Thomson
Josh Trlin	Dave Wilson
Sue Rose	Lesley Wilson
Robyn Procter	Merrill Holdsworth
Lynette Shum	Emma Fromings
B Gard'ner	Vicki Compton
Geoff Keith	Trish Heath
Frances Cawthorn	Jenny Brash
Sue Ineson	Raewyn Janes
Helen Webber	Rick Webber
Vinnie Duncan	Helen Taylor
Hikitia Ropata	Kevin Tremain
Roger Beckett	Bill McAuley

Minutes prepared by Robin Jones (31.08.25)