

NORTHCOTE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION Inc.

Executive Committee Meeting 12 December 2017 at 7pm Held at the Senior Citizens Rooms, Queen St, Northcote Point.

7pm – 7.30pm Open Forum

Present: Committee in attendance.

There being no residents in attendance at 7.05pm the committee **decided** to continue with their Exec. meeting.

Executive meeting 7.05pm

1. Present: Ian Bogue, Chris Wargent, Wayne Hale, Kevin Clarke, Ian Millar, Anne Du Temple

2. Apologies: Nil

3. Minutes of meeting of 12 September 2017

Confirmed as correct.

4. Matters arising: 3 signatories to KIWI Bank accounts are Ian Bogue, Wayne Hale, Chris Wargent - **Agreed** ANZ account to remain open.

5. Correspondence: Resignation of Chris Wargent as member and secretary as she is moving to Sunnynook. Ian B. presented Chris with a gift and thanked her for her services to NRA as a member and secretary. Kevin thanked her for the support she had given to the Skypath appeal.

Auckland Transport have indicated that road works in Queen street should be finished by the end of February. Arising from this:

Skypath access: NRA's preferred position is that the Skypath should be directly connected to the Seapath. Thus users would not directly impact on residents by clogging up local streets with cars, tour buses and possibly bikes. There is real concern that AT has in mind to turn Stafford Park into a giant carpark if there is no Seapath connection.

Official opening of the Cycle path. NRA will consider direct action and galvanise locals to protest by parking their cars on the cycle path.

It was also noted that Rodney Rd angle parking is not safe. The two extra carparks gained is ATs compensation for the carparks lost in Queen street.

NRA policy statement: It was **decided** that the exec. should produce a policy clearly stating NRA's position regarding Skypath. While NRA agrees that it is a good thing for walkers and cyclists to have access to Skypath, (if it ever goes ahead) it does not agree with AT grabbing Stafford Park to use as a carpark. The Skypath / Seapath connection would do away with this need, as parking could be sited near Esmonde Rd access or Akoranga Station.

NRA Web site: It was **suggested** that photos of the Cycle path car parking be placed on the web site.

Submission to Government: Drafted by Kevin Clarke. It was **agreed** this letter should be sent mid-January 2018 to the politicians named.

6. Financial report: Rodney Rd War Memorial Hall. It was **decided** that Ian B. should write to AC suggesting that the NRA should be allowed one free meeting a month in the hall on the basis that the local community funded half the initial cost of building the hall. **Agreed**.

Web site. Ian B. to be reimbursed the \$138.00 setup cost.

New membership. \$25.00 received from the Russell family

Financial report **received**.

7. Progress on current issues:

- LSB path from Clarence Rd Work on this is supposed to take place in February.
LSB sunshade over playground Is supposed to be included in the 2018 plan
LSB Maori Track deterioration KLB response – Nil. Not shown on AC plans either. Ian B to activate this with KLB and/or to carry out independent planting.
- Skypath / Seapath See item 5
Stafford / Queen intersection Some modifications have been made to ATs original design however the exec is concerned that the raised crossing area in front of Billy's and Point Wines is already deemed by pedestrians and drivers alike to be a legal crossing when in fact it is not. Also there is no pedestrian haven provided. Primary age children and parents with pre-schoolers have frequently been observed in the past using the islands as a refuge when crossing from the shops to the other side and vice versa.
- Rodney road parking See item 5
Onepoto Basin concerns Ian B. provides a listening ear for Ian Fox. Real concern at the extent of the pampas grass and weeds. Both are totally out of control. Mention was also made of the continuing state of the toilets and rubbish pickup.
- Fencing on Stokes Point Apparently the temporary fencing is hired!!!
HT traffic in LSB The use of the road across the bay by trucks and buses continues. The drivers take no notice of the signs at both ends of the road as they are the old NSCC signs and in their eyes carry are no longer in force. Ian B. to contact KLB about signage. *Rumour has it that new signs are on the ACs agenda but don't know for when.*
- Light by dinghy lockers It was **AGREED** that we should request a light by the lockers to dissuade drinkers who litter there profusely. The Panuku Developments contact is Matt Bourne at Viaduct Harbour.
8. Sound Barriers on bridge We should renew this old issue with AT. Upside is that if Skypath goes ahead then SB will be mandatory.
9. Website See item 6
10. Rules review After discussion, Members **agreed** to read through the proposals which are on the website *Links and Documents* page and be prepared to discuss them at the next meeting.
11. Other business NRA should send a letter to Grant Hewson, barrister, thanking him for providing his services to the Skypath appeal free of charge. CW / IB
- Gold Hole The gate is locked at night by the boaties who have complete control over access to this area including access to the beach. The boaties most of whom do not live locally are locking the Northcote Point community out. Ian Millar to talk to KLB about this issue on behalf of the NRA.
12. Next meeting Tuesday 13 February 2018

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

Confirmed: 13 February 2018