

Northcote Residents' Association

Open Forum and Executive Meeting 7pm 10 December 2019 at the Senior Citizens' Rooms cnr Queen and Bartley Streets

Present: Simon, Anne, Marlana and Wayne Hale

Apologies: Ian Bogue

Public Forum: Ian Millar and Cindy Schmidt (KLB)

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Question, Ian Millar: What is happening about cradles? - two months cradles going back on reserve. What are we doing? Get the cradles shifted

Simon suggested "perhaps he could complain to council himself?"

Anne questioned "who is responsible on council?"

Ian Millar stated that rules were changed at NRA and its time NRA folded

Wayne stated that we represent the people who live here.

Ian proceeded to swear and Wayne asked him to leave. He did.

Executive Meeting: commenced 7.15pm

Dudding Park /flooding/global warming:

Cindy stated that when putting in complaints to Council we can now get a run sheet of what's happening with a particular issue and request the name of the person handling the issue for feedback.

Wayne requested a possible time frame?

Cindy explained 'better tracking' person is more accountable.

Wayne suggested hopes for consultation before decision.

Cindy reported that a much better system is now in place.

Wayne said that e.g. Shoal Bay has been neglected.

Anne requested if there was a specific person in charge? And wishes to know what can be done? Maintenance of flap reinstated (beside bridge). (It collapsed). Willing group of people to survey height increase also possible problems.

Simon commented it was an easy fix.

Wayne stated that Northcote Council used to maintain this but Auckland Council had ignored the problem.

Anne requested that a temporary solution was needed until major work was done and that the Shoal Bay Protection Soc. needs support. Minimal cost needed for the next 20 years.

Cindy reported that the boardwalk in Beachhaven was under contention at present with council.

Options coming in. Also, maintenance of tracks needed. One and a half million dollars was possible expenditure, also environmental problems for mangroves.

Anne commented that volunteers have improved the waterfall track in **LeRoys Bush**. Simon agreed

Anne also stated that Halls Beach has deteriorated. Beach in jeopardy.

Cindy stated that rubbish was to be separated in the new programme and report coming out soon. **Boat lockers** would be resealed and blocked off.

General discussion on lime scooters etc. overview of Northcote's needs.

Anne brought up the climate change portfolio. How fires in Australia can affect NZ.

Record of gum trees needed to prevent fire hazard in Northcote? Also pines. Survey on website? Beach cleanup needed - photos needed to stir residents. Halls beach letter to Local Kaipatiki board to join up.

Simon suggested talking to police- maybe a public meeting on **crime in the area**. Car Break ins etc. prepare for February date? Use "neighborly" social media.

Wayne reported that the **maintenance outside dairy path** completed, **Bus shelter** repaired

Thursday 14. Mentioned a letter drop to promote our efforts. Toilets gone in Bartley Street and seat proposed.

9p.m. Meeting concluded.

Second Tuesday in February 2020 proposed for next meeting.