



**Minutes of the
Tamahere Community Committee
Meeting at Tamahere Community Centre
held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 3rd October 2023**

Present:

TCC: Charles Fletcher (Chair), Bevin Coley, Lyn Harris, Jane Manson

WDC: Geoff King, Cr Crystal Beavis, Mike Keir

Tamahere Lions: Sue Fookes

Tamahere Mangaone Restoration Trust: Russell Gibbs

1. **Apologies:** Anne Cao, Buddy Annals, Janis Swan, James Yearsley

Moved apologies be accepted: Lyn Harris **Seconded:** Bevin Coley
All in Favour

2. **Confirmation of Minutes** of meeting held on 5th September 2023

Moved: Minutes of the last meeting be approved: Charles Fletcher
Seconded: Jane Manson
All in Favour

3. **Matters arising** (not on this meeting agenda):

- (a) **Item 8 of 5 September Minutes:** Resolution for **Tamahere Forum – TCC website** (tamahereforum.org) and communications channel. This was approved unanimously with one abstention.
- (b) **Mayoral Awards:** Charles attended the Award Ceremony today, which was a great event. Congratulations to Leo Koppens who was presented with his award at this ceremony.
- (c) **Blossom Festival:** Hosted by Anne Cao & her husband, Paul. This event was officially opened 23 September and closes Sunday 8 October. A number of Council people and other VIP's were invited to the opening last Saturday (Charles attended for TCC along with Crystal and Mike) - weather conditions were challenging. It was a well-organized and a really well attended event. Congratulations to Anne and her team at **Cherry Blossom Festival** (<https://www.blossfest.com>)
- (d) Lyn Williams wrote an article for the Waikato Times (16 September 2023) on **Wiremu Tamihana**. Charles will distribute the article to the Committee.

4. **Correspondence (Sept 2023)** - *circulated by email prior to meeting*

Inwards:

- Graham McAdam: offer of help to Regal Haulage re: security camera review.
- Jazz, Hamilton East Community Patrol: Feedback to Regal Haulage regarding 19 September theft.

- Scott Mathias: Update on loading mailing list for TCC communications.
- Scott Matias: MailChimp sign up for TCC communications.
- Pip Stevenson: Forwarded the list of subscribers to the former Tamahere Forum weekly.
- Geoff King, WDC: Request an updated email list of members of Tamahere Community Committee (TCC)
- Geoff King, WDC: Clarification of the current funds available to the Committee through the TCC Discretionary Fund and what it has historically funded.
- Geoff King, WDC: Update on the status of the proposed water reservoir – final decisions on location & timeline have not been made. Landscape impact assessments are underway and a review of these outcomes is still required.
- Geoff King, WDC: update on Tamahere Recreation Reserve Toilets – commitment from supplier that the new block will be installed prior to Christmas 2023.
- Geoff King, WDC: Clarifying his position as representing WDC at TCC meetings not as a ratepayer (which he is).
- Crystal Beavis, WDC: confirmed her support as a Councillor to improve communication with Tamahere ratepayers.
- Mike Keir, WDC: confirmed his support as a Councillor to improve communication with Tamahere ratepayers.
- Committee support for engagement with Scott Mathias and suggested communication channels & costs: Bevin Coley (For), James Yearsley (For), Buddy (For), Janis Swam (Abstain)
- Lenka Brezinova, Regal Haulage: Apologies from Scott & Tash McHardie with possible attendance at October's meeting.
- Scott Mathias: Suggested "Welcome to the new website".
- Lenka Brezinova, Regal Haulage: Response to Charles's information to Scott & Tash McHardie
- Katherine Simpson, WRC: Presentation notes on Bus Trial Workshop for Southern WDC following meeting 28 Aug.

Outward:

- Charles: Confirmation of attendance at Mayoral Awards on Tuesday 3 October, WDC Chambers.
- Charles: TCC logos to Scott Mathias
- Charles: Theft at Regal Haulage Yard 19 September – acknowledgement to Lenka Brezinova
- Charles: Circulated WDC Blueprint agenda and supporting papers.
- Charles: Circulated material from Council regarding the 2024-2034 LTP Council Workshop (13 September)
- Charles: Confirmation to Scott Mathias regarding setting up a gmail account for TCC.
- Charles: Updated TCC email list to Geoff King.
- Charles: Thank you to Scott Mathias for his attendance at September meeting plus Minutes of the meeting.
- Charles: Information update to Sue Robertson, Aksel Bech & Dallas Fisher with TCC minutes (September meeting) and location of WDC Water Reservoir & Pumping Station
- Charles: Circulation of the resolution presented and passed at the September meeting regarding engagement with Scott Mathias to improve communication channels between TCC & the Tamahere Community. Confirmation required by those not at the meeting as to their support of this resolution.
- Charles: Acknowledgement of apologies from Regal Haulage

- Lyn: Forwarded information to Buddy for circulation to the TMCS regarding the bus trial.
- Charles: Circulated Scott's information regarding new TCC website.
- Charles: Sent Scott & Tash McHardie information on TCC meeting 5 September plus invitation to talk to the Committee.

Moved: Correspondence is accepted: Lyn Harris **Seconded:** Bevin Coley
All in favour

5. **WDC Service Delivery – Tamahere Community Committee Issues Report**

Report circulated prior to the meeting by Geoff King and accepted as read. Geoff discussed:

- *ChargeNet EV Charging stations for Tamahere Village:* no further updates at this stage.
- *Tamahere Park Toilet Upgrade:* Porta-loos are now in place at the park, ready for the site works to begin.
- *Reclassification of Tamahere Reserve:* This process is now moving forward to be classified potentially as Local Purpose (Ecological or accepted subclassification). No further action is required of the TCC. There is still a long way to go:
 - A public notice will be issued for submission opposing the classification change.
 - As an outcome to this public notice a report will go to the Council Infrastructure Committee for a resolution
 - A hearing will be called if required.
 - Conclusion report to Infrastructure Committee with recommendation regarding reclassification and renaming.
 - Final process: submit reclassification and renaming resolution to LINZ and process Gazette notice.

Russell will search for his report summary regarding the history of the Tamahere Reserve for circulation.

Geoff to confirm updated list of recipients of emails sent to Tamaherecommunitycommittee@waidc.govt.nz and provide a secondary email list for TCC & interested parties as discussed with Charles.

Motion: WDC Service Delivery Report be accepted

Moved: Jane Manson **Seconded:** Bevin Coley
All in favour

6. **Councillors' Report** - Report circulated by Crystal and accepted as read.

- *Blueprint Plans:* These have been considered by the Wellbeing & Sustainability Committee. Charles was in attendance. Historically WDC staff have altered Blueprints submitted based on in-house considerations and budgetary constraints. It appears that the link between the Councils Community Plans, Blueprint Plans and the LTP is not clearly understood by current Council staff and at community level.
- During the meeting there appeared to be confusion at Council level as to what needs to take priority between the Community Plan and the Blueprint. There are

further discussions to take place within Council with findings being presented to the Wellbeing and Sustainability Committee.

- The Tamahere Blueprint update submitted was the most comprehensive of all the plans submitted to Council and has been added as an addendum to the existing Blueprint to maintain the original report but recognizing the update as the current status.
- *Speed Limits*: The Council has been asked to review District Speed limits with several changes proposed. It is important for community needs to be considered. Pre-engagement will commence prior to Christmas.
- **Cr Beavis** will circulate the speed changes recommended from the Speed Limits meeting for comments.
- *Proposed Water Supply Bylaw*: This is in response to the Government's 3x3 provisions. **Consultation will open Thursday 5 October.** **TCC** to form a sub-Committee to make a submission.
- *Bus trial*: No further updates to hand. More information may be available for the December meeting.
- *SH1B*: Consultation will be undertaken to let people know the options being proposed. **Mike** is monitoring this closely and will let us know when this consultation is happening.
- *Airport*: Zoning is still under appeal in the District Plan. The affected Zone in the Waikato District Council area is discussed in the Tamahere Blueprint.

Motion: Councillors' report be received.

Moved: Jane Manson **Seconded:** Lyn Harris
All in favour

7. **Regal Haulage** - Scott & Tash McHardie (are not present – reasons unknown). Charles reported a break-in at Regal Haulage (19 September) and had a great response from Graham McAdam (Tamahere Community Centre) & Jazz (Community Patrol) offering support.
8. **Tamahere Forum - TCC web-site** (tamahereforum.org) and **communications** channel.
 - Charles has been in regular communication with Scott Mathis from OmniMedia.
 - www.tamahereforum.co.nz no longer exists and cannot be accessed.
 - The contact emails provided by Pip Stevenson did not transition seamlessly and Scott has been working to put together the mailing list manually.
 - www.tamahereforum.org will go live soon. **Charles** will confirm when this has happened.
9. **Reports**
 - **CCTV update:** Better-off funds have not been received by Council. We don't know if DIA will release the funds if there is a change of government later this month. **Charles** will follow up with Head of HCC CCTV monitoring team.
 - **Civil Defense:** No further updates at this stage.

- **Heritage Report:** Jane reported that this is progressing slowly. Words have been put together for the Heritage Boards but these need to be condensed. **Russell** will forward his historical timeline research onto Jane. Waipa District Council operate a QR code at historical sites which means a lot of information can be shared with those interested. Jane is investigating whether this could be something we could adopt here, which is a great idea.
- **Predator Free Tamahere (PFT):** Alison circulated her report prior to the meeting.
- **Exercise Equipment:** Paul Johnson is getting quotes. Mike has updated Charles on the current funding status for this project and Charles will keep Mike informed.
- **Tamahere Lions:** Current project focus is the E-cargo trike: Lions have managed to fund raise approx. 50% of the funds required.
 - AED – Is there an AED sign near the newly installed one at the Village Hub to make people aware of where it is?
- **Tamahere Mangaone Restoration Trust (TMRT):** Russell's written report was circulated prior to the meeting and is taken as read.
 - Thank you to Russell for his great reports – really informative & up to date.
 - Waikato Regional Council is trying to catch up with the work already undertaken by Waikato District Council and TMRT. This is putting the Works Program in jeopardy as new requirements are being requested before planting can progress.
 - **Charles** will look for information he has regarding three party agreements and forward it to Russell and the Council (following his discussion with Tony Whitaker at Council today) – a win-win-win result for the landowner-Council-TMRT (public use).
- **Tamahere Model Country School (TMCS):** No updates this month.
 - With the completion of all the safety improvements made by NZTA around the school, TCC is seeking feedback from TMCS as to how well these are working for them. We would like to be able to provide feedback to NZTA Waka Kotahi and express our appreciation for the work they have done to improve safety at Tamahere. **Buddy** to follow this up on behalf of the Committee.
- **Tamahere St Stephens Church:** Jane reported that October marks 20 years of the market operating.
 - Kitchen upgrade is underway.
 - **Light Party:** This is to be held on Tuesday 31 October with everyone welcome to attend.

Motion: All of the above reports be received

Moved: Charles Fletcher

Seconded: Bevin Coley

All in favour

10. TCC Submissions

- **Review of the Ngaruawahia, Hopuhopu and Taupiri Structure Plan and the formulation of the Ngaruawahia Town Centre Plan:** TCC will not be making a submission.
- **Review of District Speed Limits:** Sub-committee required for submission.
- **SH1B:** Pre-engagement to come prior to Christmas.

Actions: See marked through the Minutes above.

11. **Date of next meeting: 7.30pm on Tuesday, 7 November 2023**

Meeting closed at 8.55pm