

## Pohangina Valley Community Committee Meeting

Minutes from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024 7.00pm at County Fayre, Pohangina.

**Present:** Liz Besley, Nick Galpin, Yvonne Forlong, Barb Hyde, Cr. Stuart Campbell, Julie Ann Bolton (7.45), Amie Melody.

1		<b>Procedural Matters</b>	<b>Action</b>																																						
1.	<b>Apologies</b>	Simon Francis, Hannah Tokona, Constable Mark Dickins, Jo Morris-Kynoch.	LB/YF Carried																																						
1.2	<b>Correspondence</b>	31 May – MDC re District Plan review 2/8 June J Hawthorn- re Project Funding 2024/25 and survey outcomes. See 2.3 12 June – Letter from Gordon Pilone	LB/BH Carried																																						
1.3	<b>Confirmation Prior Meetings Minutes</b>	Yvonne to check April minutes are the correct version.	YF/LB Carried <b>Action YF</b>																																						
1.4	<b>Matters Arising</b>	Covered in Agenda items below.																																							
<b>2</b>		<b>Items for Approval/Information</b>																																							
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2.2	<b>Emergency Management</b>	<p>Welcome Nick Galpin from MDC Emergency Management.</p> <p>Update and introduction Barb Hyde. Huge thanks to Barb for all the work she has done and especially for coordinating getting the Community Response and Recovery Plan booklet updated and out to valley residents. A</p>																																							

		<p>big thanks to Wayne our mailman for delivering the EM booklets and to Barb who personally delivered to those residents in our catchment but not on Wayne's run. Barb has done investigation into the cost of Starlink as a means of comms during a major event. The cost seems prohibitive at this point and Nick commented that MDC have two spare units, but it was decided after some discussion they would be better stored at MDC than put up at County fayre as the usage would be minimal and in the case of a major event we would organise for the unit to be delivered to CF or the Hall for usage at that time.</p> <p>The was some discussion around the requirement for a generator vs a power, but once again the cost of either would be prohibitive and there is a requirement for ongoing testing for a generator to make sure the unit is working when required.</p> <p>Nick reported that Hannah is a new enthusiastic member of the team and we look forward to meeting her.</p> <p>He said the LTP caters for EM and Nick is looking forward to building resilience within the community.</p> <p>First Aid courses discussed and course dates to be confirmed. PRCCG is running a First Aid course as is County Fayre so residents have plenty of choice.</p> <p>Antenno up and running well. There does appear to be some glitches with settings regarding what information you wish to receive. Nick commented that while a major event alert would not be publicised through the app it could be the avenue for further finer details for residents during an event.</p> <p>EM centres in rural communities may need to be self-managing in the interim until contact with MDC is made in the case of a disaster and rural communities tend to be self reliant so no one saw this as an issue.</p> <p>The Doc Base has been approved as an EM centre if required and Nick will write an MOU for this arrangement. He is reluctant to kit the base for a event as there is no secure storage at this point. The EM kit is currently stored at Travis Moffitts -just up the road.</p> <p>Nick suggested that we apply to Central Energy Trust for funding for a Trauma Kit as this could be an real asset in the case of a major event.</p>	
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2.3	PVCC Protocol	<p><b>Motion:</b> Request to carry over PVCC funds of \$17,561.80 tagged for the Domain Development Project, specifically: purchase of trees June 2024, completion of loop pathway as soon as weather allows in 2024/25 and hire of small cultivator for old tennis court area. The later will be done in 6-8 months after sods broken down. Cyclone Gabrielle stalled this project last year with priority given to farmers needing digger work.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Request to carry over PVCC \$2,684.17 from PCC Project Funding tagged for signage for Domain (map), Toilet sign outside Domain entrance, bus stop, kahikatea fence protection. Signage has been delayed due to an issue with privacy on MDC's public site where QR code info will be stored. Fencing held up due to cost of initial scope quote. A modified scope is being quoted on. Bus stop delays due to proposal to recycle unused one</p> <p><b>Complete Community Committee Project Form 2024/25:</b> \$1000 Hall, \$1000 County Fayre, Newsletter \$150, General \$850.</p>	<p>YF/LB carried unanimously</p> <p><b>Action YF x 3</b></p>
2.3.1	PVCC Community Funding	No report	
2.4	River Access	No report	
2.5	Raumai Reserve	No report	
2.6	Pohangina Recreation Reserve	<p>Liz Besley to pick up completed Welcome History Board, sponsor's Sign, and other signage from Beauchamp Signs in Feilding on Thursday 13 June. This will be erected at working bee, date to be confirmed. Nick has said there will be minimal cost if we install the signage.</p> <p>Michael Forlong completed the second stage of pathways last month \$13,113 exc GST. He will begin the final section to make a loop as soon as the ground is dry enough. He recycled old tennis court asphalt and gravel for pathway surface - It has settled and hardened well. Remainder will be used for final section.</p> <p>Stories are still being completed for input into the QR code on proposed map sign. Aim to have these to Long Chen before end of June. Need to have further discussion with Long Chen to resolve privacy issue when using photos.</p> <p>Groenendijk Family have planted a mix of 17 native and deciduous trees near picnic spot, in memory of their parents.</p> <p>Lions and community working bee on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 9am including new plantings. Tennis court area will not be used at this stage- subsoil is gummy clay and potentially toxic to trees. Julie Ann suggested getting a Hills lab test to confirm toxicity levels if any. Need to come up with alternative for this area. Some suggestions have been made but no decision at this stage.</p>	
2.7	Pohangina Wetlands Project	A second QE11 National Trust Open Space Covenant has been granted adjacent to the current wetland area so Pohangina Wetlands has been increased in area.	

2.8	Pohangina Valley Community Trust	Agenda item Phil new chair	
2.9	<b>ANZAC DAY</b>	The service went well. Thanks to Reverend Pam Barnett for fronting the ceremony and to Peter Knight (RSA) and the Linton Army team for their attendance, flag control and readings.	
<b>2.10</b>	<b>PVCC Newsletter and Website</b>	Julie Ann is compiling the next newsletter and would like all articles in for publishing which will be next Friday.	
2.11	<b>Community Action Plan</b>	No report	
2.12	<b>Bus Shelter</b>	It had been proposed that the bus shelter in the corner of Churchill and Pohangina Roads be relocated to Highland Home Christian Camp for use on that side. However, it may still be in use so Amie will get a quote for a new one and apply to Fonterra for a grant.	<b>Action AM</b>
2.13	<b>Signage Project</b>	The Pohangina Valley signage has been installed and thanks to Brent Besley for coordinating this and to Ross White and George and Maureen Searle for kindly allowing the signs to be located on their properties.	
2.14	<b>Annual 10 yr plan</b>	No further update	
2.15	<b>Valley Road Lookout</b>	No further update	
<b>2.16</b>	<b>Pohangina Hall Committee</b>	<p>Julie Ann reported – Hireage has been steady and the committee was successful in securing a Lotteries Commission grant. The committee is looking to replace the chairs and tables and improve the mobility access but will need external funding for this along with funding from MDC.</p> <p>While Julia Ann is very pleased with the resurfaced floor the chairs and tables scratch it and she would like to recoat the floor at some point in the future.</p> <p>MDC attended a site visit and kindly carried out some minor changes to the kitchen.</p> <p>Pilates has commenced and is every Wednesday at 6.45pm. Other upcoming events are -</p> <p>Red Heavens - 31<sup>st</sup> July 7.30pm</p> <p>Boom Boom Deluxe 10<sup>th</sup> August 7.30pm</p> <p>Ticket sales for both are good.</p>	
<b>2.17</b>	<b>Pohangina Pool</b>	No report	
2.18	<b>County Fayre</b>	<p>Kim reported.</p> <p>Goings on at County Fayre over the last couple of months have been relatively busy, trade on Sunday's during April and May has been steady, with Mother's Day being a great day, all Mothers were given a gift of potted plant or fudge. We have a lot of regular customers who have enjoyed the autumn leaves whilst out here. Finnis Road is certainly looking stunning. I met with Barb Hyde and the Civil Defence representatives and we relocated all the Civil Defence supplies to the library, which means Barb and others can get access directly to all they require should an emergency occur.</p> <p>Friday Night Drinks &amp; Nibbles sessions have been well attended too, with new faces appearing each month. For those who may not be aware these events happen on the third Friday of every month, doors are open about 5 pm and it can sometimes be after 8 pm before the last people have gone home, a really</p>	

		<p>relaxed social evening, great way to catch up with your neighbours. This month it is going to be a Pot Luck Dinner, I believe they plan to eat about 6pm, so pop along with a dish to share and your drink of choice. We have a few events coming up.</p> <p>August we hope to run a Basic First Aid session with the support of MRSS. Date to be confirmed.</p> <p>September is Fathers day at County Fayre and plans are afoot to run the the very popular Readers and Writers Festival.</p> <p>October see us hosting artists in the Manawatu Arts Trail, always a popular weekend.</p> <p>And of course the Downhill Walk in November, apparently there is a tree across the track at the Kuku Road end.. although it could be cleared by now. Unsure who has authority to deal with this.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Other Business</b>	Liz read a letter from Gordon Pilone regarding, his wife, Anne's passing.	
<b>3.1</b>	<b>MDC Report</b>	<p>Report from Councillor Stuart Campbell –</p> <p>A reasonable amount of submissions were received for the review of the LTP. The revised LTP will be adopted any day through council.</p> <p>There will be a rate rise of approximately 7% which is apparently about half the national average for rate increases this year.</p> <p>MDC have dropped the roading differential meaning there will be an increase in rural ratepayer rates.</p> <p>The new library is being shifted into over the next few days and an Opening is planned for late June/early July.</p>	
<b>3.2</b>	<b>Old School and Reserve</b>	<p>Simon reported –</p> <p>Kim Couper-Smartt has stood down from doing the bookings and Dee Oslo has taken on this role.</p> <p>The trees and slash leftover from the MDC felling of the trees in the reserve have been piled up and burned with the help of a neighbouring farmer.</p>	
<b>3.3</b>	<b>Branch Road Walkway</b>	No report	
<b>3.4</b>	<b>Village Signs</b>	No report	
<b>3.5</b>	<b>Konewa Shared Pathway</b>	No report	
<b>3.6</b>	<b>Totara Reserve Advisory Group</b>	Reserve Management Plan review/ consultation has been delayed.	
<b>3.7</b>	<b>Village road marking</b>	There needs to be a 'No Exit' sign place at the Domain end of Kuku Road to stop visitors getting stuck in the stream crossing part way along.	<b>Action Cr. S C</b>
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Police Report</b>	No report	
	<b>Meeting Closed</b>	Meeting closed at 9.05pm	
	<b>Next Meeting</b>	7.00pm Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2024 at County Fayre	