# Rakino Ratepayers Association

## **Minutes of RRA Update Meeting**

**Thursday 4 November 2021** 

**Location: Zoom** 

**Present:** 

Stephen Thomas (ST) Chris Clews (CC) Natasha Holland (NH) Elisabeth Easther (EE) Rod Inglis (RI)

Dave Parker (DP) on behalf of Fire Resilience Team

Apologies:

David Mahon Bev and Hank

## 1. Welcome / Apologies (CC)

CC opened the meeting with welcome and apologies. Due to the ongoing lockdown in Auckland preventing the Labour Weekend AGM, the purpose of the meeting is to provide an update to members on how some key issues are moving along.

#### 2. Past Minutes (NH)

Minutes from the previous Labour Weekend Committee Meeting have been ratified.

## 3. Finances (ST)

An update was given as per the Performance Report (circulated to database via email 30/10/21) which has been signed and filed. ST confirmed RRA donating to Westpac Helicopter \$1,000

## 4. Subscriptions (NH)

Subscriptions have been collected from approximately half the database. Collections may be affected by COVID. In general better connectivity with members.

# 5. Correspondence (NH(

Committee has received numerous emails from Kevin Wragge re the Hall and Fire Service updates which have been read and discussed by the Committee. All other correspondence has been residents updating details or wanting subscription payment details.

# 6. Hall Report (ST)

Steve took attendees through the Hall Proposal document (circulated to database via email 30/10/21). NH noted that there had been very few responses to the invitation to provide feedback. It was discussed that ongoing maintenance is one of the key areas of council concern. The hope is to see Council before Christmas. NH will collate feedback/preferred option from community. EE will help with the presentation to the Council with Chris and Steve. Chris reiterated the Committees desire for the community to provide a clear mandate.

## 7. Marine Survey (EE)

Elisabeth advised there was one more survey to be completed before Tim Haggett can send through reports, all been delayed by COVID. Tentative date for Walks, Talks, Snorks 15 January 2022. We are hoping to have a visit from Pippa Coom in the New Year. There is no plan for a Marine Protected area around Rakino at this stage but we are supporting the Noises.

## 8. Seasick (RI)

Rod announced the successful applications for the funding of a documentary to be made by Simon Mark-Brown. This will be about the Hauraki Gulf and will include the Marine Survey. Foundation North and NZ on Air will be funding the project with \$250,000 each.

## 9. Resilience Plan (DP)

Dave went through the idea behind putting together a resilience plan and needs to be tailored to Rakino to enable council to help us with what we need. Requires scientific basis, not just a wish list, and feedback from residents about their risks- e.g. better drainage needed to prevent slips, lack of water supply on individual

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properties. Fire Service has confirmed that no further equipment is to be removed from the Island until the resilience plan is in place. The RP Team were hoping to get out to the community over Labour Weekend to help gather info around our risks but due to COVID this has been postponed until Summer holidays. Its important to get the community buy in so we can come up with a plan together.

# 10. General Business

John Denton raised whether the lack of AGM would be in breach of the constitution, and could we lose of charitable status. Chris replied that the committee would attend to this in order to protect status.

Brett Harris provided some valuable information regarding a comprehensive submission he made to Auckland Council after coming across local board documentation that neglected to cover Rakino based issues. BH reiterated the need to stress the absolute importance of the Wharf and the Hall in the Reliance Plan

The meeting closed 7pm