



POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the monthly Pokeno Community Committee meeting held in the Pokeno Hall, Pokeno, on 14th August 2018, commencing at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Helen Clotworthy, Ric Odom, Morris Roberts, Kris Hines, Todd Miller, Charles Hackett, Wayne Rodgers, Janet McRobbie, Lance Straker

WDC Staff in Attendance: Tony Whittaker, Kevin Stokes

Councillors in Attendance: Cr J Church, Mayor A Sanson

Community Members: Community members attended

1. APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from Doug Rowe.
Moved that apologies be accepted.

Moved: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Kris Hines

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE STATUS OF THE AGENDA

Moved that the agenda be confirmed.

Moved: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Todd Miller

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

There was no disclosure of interest

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2018 be confirmed.

Moved: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Ric Odom

5. REPORTS

5.1. Progressive Enterprises. Peter Buchan from Progressive and representative from Greenstone. Peter spoke to Progressive's plans for a supermarket in Pokeno. A lot of work has been based on feedback received at meeting in December 2017. In particular, the desire to build a larger supermarket than a Fresh Choice. Much of Progressive's discussion has been based on current

and predicted future growth of Pokeno and their recommendation is that while the population does not meet the criteria for a larger supermarket, a Countdown should be built and the Progressive Board has expressed approval in principle if a workable solution can be found. Some changes to the current land ownership, including some land currently owned by council will need to occur in order to satisfy Progressive's commercial model. In particular, there needs to be some agreement on re-classification or re-dedication of existing land that is currently designated as paper roads.

Tony Whittaker then outlined the current position in that the Council would contemplate the necessary land changes but requested the views of the Committee. The Committee agreed that the proposal was worth pursuing but asked for some indicative design options that could show how the future public spaces (including the village square) might look. Tony undertook to try and get some indicative options presented at the next community committee meeting.

5.2. Speed limit Bylaw Changes 2018. Mayor Sanson outlined that the intent is to request feedback from the committee on Council's proposal to introduce speed limit changes

5.3. Pokeno Works & Issues: Status of items August 2018. Kevin Stokes spoke to the Works & Issues. There was some discussion about the proposed upgrade of various intersections leading off the Pokeno/Whangarata Road. Kevin will provide a diagram of what is proposed at these intersections and Helen asked that the residents on Pokeno Road be consulted as these changes to impact on them. Council has approved \$300 for administration of the committee and the committee will need to submit an invoice. Mayor Sanson mentioned that he has asked council staff to review current discretionary funding as he feels the current method of allocation is now outdated. It was proposed that the committee feels this allocation is insufficient and that council should consider a more equitable allocation. Mayor Sanson did remind the committee that there is a modest mayoral fund to which applications should be made.

5.4. Year to Date Service Request Report. Helen suggested that the report be tabled and that feedback could be provided to her. Cr Church pointed out that there were issues relating to water leaks

5.5. Bank Account for Pokeno Community Committee. It was proposed that the Pokeno Community Committee open an account with the ASB Bank and that the signatories be Helen Clotworthy, Lance Straker and Kris Hines

Moved: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Charles Hackett

5.6. Update on Christmas Parade (Allen Grainger). Alan spoke to this. He pointed out that the Tuakau Christmas parade costs approximately \$6,000 which they receive from a grant. Alan then indicated some of the costs he had determined would be incurred and the various plans, processes and insurances required. Mayor Sanson pointed out some options for funding such as the Event Fund or the Rural Discretionary Fund from Council. He also indicated that he would approve \$500 from the Mayors Discretionary Fund.

5.7. Councillors Reports. Cr Church delivered her report and reminded the committee that new road names are needed, the agreement with Auckland for free access to libraries ends in October. The issue about access to libraries to be put on the Works & Issues programme. Cr Church reminded the Committee that a blueprint meeting will be held in Tuakau on 15 August.

5.8. Committee Reports. Doug Rowe was unable to attend but Lance mentioned that apparently two cars were stolen from Helenslee Rd recently.

5.9. Next Meetings Agenda Items. Tony Whittaker will attend with a concept drawing on Market Square and update on Progressive discussions. Kevin will email Helen the outline plan for the road intersections.

5.10. General Business. Helen mentioned that we initially had a budget of \$5,000 to develop our website and that a local has set up a business which includes web development. Helen suggested this local person be asked to manage Pokeno website and asked the committee's views. Lance pointed out that currently, the website is being run for free for at least the next year. Mayor Sanson suggested that the website run by the Tamihere committee is a good model to look at and in order to help fund it, the Tamihere committee sells advertising space. Todd mentioned that he would like to see some data as to usage of the current site.

Todd also asked what the tilt slab development is that is currently under construction in the village. Helen indicated it will house a number of retail outlets including Dominoes, a liquor store and a grocery outlet.

Cr Church suggested that the Committee let Council know of any potential land acquisition opportunities that could be considered.

There being no further business, Helen thanked all who attended and declared the meeting closed at 9.00pm. The meeting is to be held on 11th September at 7.00pm