

# **Onslow Residents Community Association**

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**Held on 7:30pm 11 April 2018 at Khandallah Town Hall**

The meeting commenced at 7:30pm. Nicola McFaull, President, extended a welcome to all present including Greg O'Connor MP for Ōhāriu, Brett Hudson MP, Cr Diane Cavert, Cr Simon Woolf, and Mr David Chick, Chief City Planner, Wellington City Council.

**Apologies:** His Worship the Mayor of Wellington Mr Justin Lester, and Cr Andy Foster, Peter and John Klimenko, Wilma Sherwin, Viv Chappel, and a few others – just need to check my email.

### **Guest Speakers:**

Cr Calvert addressed the meeting. She mentioned that the City Council was soon to begin a consultation process about the Long Term Plan. Cr Calvert also referred to a number of other topics including the ongoing effects from the November 2016 earthquake; the Council's consideration of investment into the future (e.g. Town Hall, Movie Museum); the Ngaio Gorge re-strengthening; and that Council was giving thought to upgrading the Khandallah Swimming Pool in 2022 at a projected cost of \$1.1M.

David Chick addressed the meeting. He explained he is an urban designer and landscape architect and had worked in Local Government for most of his career. He was appointed Chief City Planner in April 2016. The earthquake in November 2016 had demonstrated that we needed to plan the buildings and city for the possibility of such events. The population of the city was projected to significantly increase in the next 25 years by 50,000 to 80,000. He said there was a need to be careful about how the city accommodated population growth. The projected population growth meant the District Plan was in need of review and this was an aspect where there needed to be a conversation with the community.

Questions which were invited from the floor ranged over on a range of topics: cycleways; parking; submissions on plans; public transport; the impact that growth from the wider Wellington region was having on Wellington City; the waterfront; and the way the term "less than minor" was being interpreted, particularly when Council received applications in relation to infill housing.

Greg O'Connor MP addressed the meeting briefly as did Brett Hudson MP. Each acknowledged the work being done by the newly established Association. Cr Woolf also spoke briefly.

### **Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of 22 November 2018**

The Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting having been circulated, it was moved by Ron Gall and seconded by Brett Hudson and carried that those Minutes were correct.

## **President's Annual Report**

Good evening everyone

Welcome to the first annual meeting of the Onslow Residents Community Association. My name is Nicola McFaul and I am the president of ORCA. It seems funny to hold this meeting not that long after our inaugural meeting but according to our constitution, this is what we must do.

The ORCA committee thought it would be a great opportunity to bring our membership together, maybe hopefully attract some new members to our association and hear not only what we have been up to in the last four and a half months but to grow our understanding of the planning processes and vision for Wellington. So I would particularly like to welcome our guest speaker tonight, David Chick, the Chief City Planner for Wellington City. David will share his deep knowledge of the world of planning and how it relates to Wellington City and to us.

We are also honoured today to have with us our Onslow-Western Councillors, Diane Calvert, Simon Woolf, List MP, Brett Hudson and Electorate MP Greg O'Connor. The Mayor, Justin Lester sends his apologies as he has a family event.

Diane has been very helpful to us in our establishment phase as we have tried to get our heads around issues like housing, planning transport and road safety. Diane is passionate about good practice consultation and we need Councillors like her that understand the importance of listening to their community. She will start the proceeding by saying a few words.

We also have our newly minted Member of Parliament for Oharui, Greg O'Connor. Greg will speak after David. We look forward to hearing from him.

Then the rest of the evening will be given over to our formal meeting – and don't leave as this will not take long and we need you here for our quorum.

But before we begin, I would like to ask the current ORCA committee to stand up and be introduced. It is because of this committee that we have had such a stellar start to our Association. We are privileged to have so many civic minded people in our community.

They are: President – Nicola McFaul

Vice President – Ray Chung

Treasurer – Beverley Holder

Secretary – Lance Pratley

### **Committee members**

- Richard Campbell
- Martin Jenkins

- Wilma Sherwin
- Lachman Prasad
- Shirley Morrison
- Stephen Banks
- Annie van Herck
- Laurie Marks
- Ron Gall
- Tania Thomas

### **2017/2018 Annual report of the Onslow Residents Community Association**

The Onslow Residents' Community Association was established on 22 November 2017 at a meeting of about 40 Residents. At that meeting, the constitution was ratified and a decision was taken to become an incorporated society. Officers were also elected and a committee formed.

As was ratified in our constitution – our purpose is very clear: we represent the views and interests of the Khandallah, Broadmeadows and Kaiwharawhara communities - so we encourage all residents and community groups to join us so your voice can be heard.

It has been a long time since Khandallah, Broadmeadows and Kaiwharawhara have had a community group that represents them. So we look forward to connecting with the community and with authorities and relevant groups such as the Wellington City Council and the Greater Wellington Regional Council to make our area a better place to live.

We will work to improve the public services and facilities for our community and most importantly we will foster a sense of community. Already the committee has met four times and we are going at a cracking pace.

We are now an incorporated body, applied for charity status, almost set up a bank account and have received an IRD number. We have a new logo, and we have already published our first newsletter. We have a presence on Neighbourly and Facebook and next time we communicate with you we will have a website too. If you are on facebook – please like and follow us!

Our income is primarily from membership fees and we hope to apply for the Council's Social and Recreation Fund for a \$1,000 grant which will help us get set up. We have \$670 in the bank account currently – representing 67 members – although we actually have 71 on the books and more members joining everyday.

An important role we have is to liaise with local authorities and be a conduit for information so our members have information they need on issues that affect them and their daily lives.

We also have organised the committee into sub-committees of interest and our members are becoming knowledgeable in those areas.

In the Housing/Infrastructure/Planning Committee we have asked the Council to provide us with information in the planning process and decisions relating to medium density Housing developments in Broadmeadows. They are looking at this issue across the three neighbourhoods and have engaged Council to get more information and make sure that the community is consulted and notified when need to be. We are finding that Council is rolling out Medium Density Housing although our community in an unprecedented 450 submissions two years ago said they were against MDH in its present form.

In the Transport and Road Safety committee we have taken a good look at the bus timetable and route changes. We have also engaged with residents and WCC and GWRC relating to the new proposal to run a two way bus service in Broadmeadows.

A number of Broadmeadows residents are unhappy with the proposed introduction of a new two-direction circular bus route through Broadmeadows and they presented a statement at the March 15 WCC Strategic Planning Committee. With the support of several WCC councillors, the last bus stop of the new route was placed on hold pending more discussion with GWRC. (It should be noted that while the GWRC owns and runs the transport service, it has to ask WCC to approve and build the bus stops/shelters).

Since then, GWRC has withdrawn its application for that last bus stop, but has decided to go ahead with the two -way circular route anyway.

A meeting was held in Broadmeadows this week with Councillors Kedgley and Mckinnon about the local bus service and the preceding consultation proces. The outcome of the discussion was that because all the contracts are signed, the service will go ahead as planned. But they will advise their Transport Team that there may be the possibility of a review. And they will come back for another site visit three months after the service starts.

We supported them to do this. We are also taking a keen interest in the speeds limits on streets around schools and other road safety issues such as the parking in the Village.

Our environment committee is looking at making sure that residents are aware of the proposed changes to the district plan allowing the expansion of the Kiwi Point Quarry to the South bank. Some houses in this area will be only 70 meters away from quarry operations. The Committee has also engaged with Council regarding what we thought was a walk way but turned out to be a large drain connecting Broadmeadows and Johnsonville. We are supportive of the Khandallah Pool and park group who are looking to revitalise Khandallah swimming pool.

We feel it is really important that the people in our communities' voices are heard. So we are actively letting our residents know when submissions that affect them are open at the Council. We will also provide information and perspectives on certain

issues. We may also at ORCA make submissions to the Council on areas of interest for our members and neighbourhoods Periodically the Council asks for submissions from the public on specific issues.

This is just the beginning. We see this organisation as something that should be around for a long time. We will be holding a strategy day in mid July and as part of that we will be conducting a survey to see what is important to you our members and the wider residents. We will also be conducting a membership drive later in the year once we have more runs on the board and know what direction we are heading in.

I would like to thank you all for coming tonight. It is cold and I was prepared for just the Committee to be here. The turnout shows that our three neighbourhoods are engaged citizens. The more members we have, the more effective our voice, so we ask that you let your friends, and neighbours know about us and encourage them to join.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The financial report for the year ending 31 December 018 was tabled at the meeting. In summary, income for the time interval between inception, 22 November and 31 December 2017 was \$520 from Members' Subscriptions and expenses of \$130 had accrued.

Motion: That the Annual Report be accepted as a true and accurate representation of ORCA's finances. Moved by Laurie Marks and seconded by Martin Jenkins (carried unanimously).

### **Appointment of an Auditor / or agreement not to appoint an auditor**

It was moved by Lawrence Collingbourne [seconder] that no auditor be appointed for the year ending December 2018. Carried unanimously.

### **Nomination of Officers and Committee**

There was one nomination for President, Nicola McFaull (nominated by Ray Chung, seconded Lance Pratley).

There was one nomination for Vice-President, Ray Chung (nominated by Nicola McFaull, seconded Lance Pratley).

There was one nomination for Treasurer, Beverley Holder (nominated by Lance Pratley, seconded Ray Chung).

There was one nomination for Secretary, Lance Pratley (nominated by Nicola McFaull, seconded by Ray Chung).

The following persons were nominated for the committee (nominated by Nicola McFaull, seconded by Ray Chung):

Stephen Banks; Richard Campbell; Ron Gall; Martin Jenkins; Shirley Morrison;  
Lachman Prasad; Tania Thomas; Wilma Sherwin; Annie van Herck, Laurie Marks

The nomination of the officers and committee members were carried by acclamation.

### **General Business**

[I did not record any]

The meeting concluded at 9:30pm with a vote of thanks to the President being carried by acclamation.