

## **LITTLE RIVER VILLAGE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of Meeting held 27 July 2017 6pm

Little River Service Centre

### **Provisional Committee:**

Rob Churcher, Alex Lee, Janet Reeves, Craig Roberts, Vanessa Mitchel, Mario Downes, Tori Peden, Fiona Nicol

### **Attendees:**

Rob Churcher, Alex Lee, Tori Peden, Janet Reeves, Robert Burch

### **Community members:**

Stuart Wright-Stow, Angela Wright-Stow, Warren Brixton

### **Apologies:**

Glynis Dobson

Mario Downes

Alison Evans

Fiona Nicol

### **Meeting opened at 6pm**

Welcome by LRWCT Chair – Robert Burch

### **Selection of Convenor**

#### ***Rob Churcher convening at the meeting tonight***

All information and correspondence to go through one person – Secretary

*LRWCT Chair handed over meeting to selected Convener and left meeting*

### **Structure of Committee**

**Convenor** – rotating basis between the following three committee members

- Rob Churcher
- Stuart Wright-Stow
- Janet Reeves

**Media spokesperson:**

**Community networker:**

**Specialists:**

**Banks Peninsula Board representative:** Tori Peden – able to feed back to CCC and Community Board

**Secretary/Coordinator:** Barb Gaeth

**Community Reps from other organisations around the district –**

- Warren Brixton – Railway Trust
- Ken & Lyn Sitarz – Railway Craft Station

- Craig Mason and Don Babe – Rail Trail Trust
- John Boyles – Wairewa Rununga
- Key business and landowners – residential and commercial (need to be included in the move forward)

Be transparent – ask them all if they wish to receive the Minutes of the meetings – give them a chance to come a long and be involved – engagement is important

- John Fitch/ Fiona Croft family – keep them involved
- Stuart Wright-Stow– to give names to Barb
- Christian Cullen – school to be kept in loop
- Diner – Gary or Houston

Information going out to community to come from Trust  
 Challengeable ideas to go back through to the Trust Board  
 Even though Delegation given – should report back to the Trust  
 (See Delegation document)

- Confusion on Little River Village Planning Committee – is it the town centre or the whole of the area?
- What are the parameters? Decided that it is the Village Centre
- Little River Rail Trail – not included in this planning
- Coronation Library – not included in planning
- Defined to the land identified on the village side of the road and other council land behind the service centre
- The LRVPC focus is the town centre plan footprint encompassing areas on map – Barclays Road to Council Hill Road – land identified by yellow boundaries
- Stuart – a case for taking the land back to the river opposite the town centre – river to be incorporated in recreational area of this township
- River to Barclays Road to Catholic Church to Western Valley Road

### ***Minutes of last meeting***

#### **Matters arising**

**Andrew Turner / Tori Peden** – Andrew Hensley and Kate Clerkin happy to come out and speak with the group when needed

Stuart Wright-Stow – to complete letter to CCC

#### **Public meeting - Date to be set for presentation of work to date and recruitment of stakeholders**

- Demonstrate robust engagement by giving the public and stakeholders information on what is going on
- Set down a timeframe for meetings – defined period
- Need to have something to show first –
- Tuesday morning Drop In Session – a good format for people to come to

- Better as a group to start with something small
- Put something on display – Library?
- Seniors Hui? Ideas board of what things are being worked through
- **Going public too early when you are not ready and credible not good**

Idea of using display board – evolving story line of where the plan is at  
In the library – makes it public – everyone can see

#### **Janet Reeves:**

- After last meeting – put everything together into one plan – see attached scan
- Community centre expansion or improvement – built on to existing community centre in the domain
- Something co-located with service centre and library – medical rooms, carpark
- Community focussed
- Dog park in Council Hill Road
- Heritage Park – underutilised – be part of a route that people traverse around the centre – see it opened up at the back – enhance
- Nursery – higher profile – move back to where it was?
- Strip of land – elderly housing
- Behind that spilling out to area where kids playground – recreational – BMX, skate park etc
- Access in and out of the State Highway – difficult at the moment
- Traffic only coming out – narrow it right down and extend current footpath in front of craft station – make it more pedestrian friendly
- Continue two way entrance and exit behind the vets – open up area for parking
- Put the railway station on show
- Bus parking taken out from the front of the craft station around the back leaving a space in front of craft station to put stalls / community use
- Behind where the visitors sign is and the trees – nice area – expand to have more of a picnic area
- Goods shed??
- Pop up shops
- Walking track – circuit right around the whole area
- Covering over drain on the main road
- Dandelion sculptures – at the start of the craft station – high profile

#### **Stuart and Angela Wright-Stow – scan attached**

- Older people want and need to stay in the community – retirement homes – community housing and gardens – Papakainga?? On the service centre side of the road – sunnier
- Group to work with – Rununga
- Medical Centre in the Service Centre

- Down the side of the Service Centre is a laneway
- Across from diner – another laneway – these are public right of ways – bridge placed across river to make walkway right around Pa Road?
- Build up an intensity in one area – have a rural area
- Dandelion sculptures – Heritage Park close to the road – give opportunity for other people to put their sculptures in as well.
- Fill drain in to allow for large vehicles to stop
- Little green square with park bench (Kate Shepperd Memorial)
- Green square to Akaroa side of service centre – could be the entrance way to Service Centre through the park
- Parking around the back of service centre
- Could the park come out further – make it more of a feature – landscape
- Heritage park opened up more –
- Cars go in and one way circulation with exit down by Council Hill Road
- No vehicle access – only for houses there and possibly flooding
- Men's Shed and retirement housing down the end
- Bigger trees graduating down to the park
- Bridle Path to go along behind – for children, horses, pony hitch (proposed in the past)
- Safe crossing opposite the craft station – link up with laneway around service centre down to the river
- Old goods shed – covered Farmer's Market – big open doors
- Power Poles – Orion – change to underground – no visual pollution
- BMX parks, skate parks
- Keep it condensed

If anything gets done – the drain!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Andrew Hensley working on it – heavy vehicles have no safe place to pull off the road

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### Alex

- Only difference from Janet – no cars in the middle – create a central square
- Cars come in from petrol station and park behind or beside the store and park behind leaving a square with only pedestrian access
- Area around the recycling shed – available for recreation use
- Car parks – grass covered
- Area for community events – concert, markets – outdoor venue - support
- Lots of meeting places already

### Convenor

- Capture all ideas – quite a bit of information to digest and reflect on
- Make them dynamic (digital plans) and able to be moved around so that people can try different ideas
- LRBI – brought into the discussion

- Andrew / Kate – could we talk through ideas with them?
- Combine what has been discussed tonight – bring the two plans into one document – Alex to do

**Tori – Dog Park area (bottom of Council Hill Road) – could we get some of this land mowed on a regular basis**

- Shouldn't cost too much for the CCC – quick win for community
- Fencing shouldn't cost too much – community members could assist to put up
- Need to find out about leases – are they able to be broken quickly?
- Ask Alison Evans to come up with drawing of a plan of what needs to be mowed for a dog park area – steep part could be planted?

**How do we choose which project comes first?? What do we apply for funding for first?**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 16 August 2017 6 pm  
Stuart Wright-Stow – Convenor**