



Little River Wairewa Community Trust meeting

7.30pm, 3 April 2023

Little River Service Centre

Meeting started with a brief trip to Kinloch Bridge at 7:00pm to discuss proposed culvert before moving back to Little River Service Centre to open meeting at 7.30pm

Started with karakia

Present: Anthony Rimell, Vanessa Mitchell, Lyn Leslie, Mario Downes, Ben Marsh, Donald Matheson

Apologies: Craig Roberts

Visitors: Alison Evans (CCC Park Ranger), Caroline and Eric Moore, Marina Rosa, Emily (missed surname, apologies)

Standing conflict of interest with Lyn Leslie being both on the Trust and Community Board. Ben Marsh and Sarah Marsh are married.

New members: none

Accounts: Cash summary tabled. Largest item paid in March was a fencing invoice for the Okuti River Project.

Bank statement tabled. Expenses \$1290.13. Mario moved to accept treasurer's report, Vanessa seconded. Agreed.

Minutes of last meeting: moved Vanessa, seconded Donald. Agreed.

New Manager Appointed: Sarah Marsh has been appointed the new manager for the trust.

Previous Meeting Follow-up:

- Kinloch Bridge culvert plan meeting 4th April 10:30am. This meeting will include CCC, ECan, Runanga, and LRWCT. The trust met at Kinloch Bridge to visualize placement for this culvert so that the discussion around this flooding mitigation plan was better understood.
- The ongoing problem of burning the piles of slash and stumps has not yet been resolved. CCC to now assist by mailing letters to slash landowners directly with the assistance of Mario and Lyn. Mario happy to assist owners who wish to burn their piles of slash.
- Trustees who've not been able to attend recent meetings still to be contacted regarding proposed leave of absence. Anthony to follow up.
- Funding applications for Rata and SCF are due shortly - Sarah to work with Vanessa to get up to speed with requirements.
- The Runanga is covering the cost of the sign, however they have asked that the Trust assist with the costs associated with the installation. Potentially looking to CCC for funding based on placement decision (still to be made).

This Meeting's Reports:

- Flooding update: Scheduled meeting with CCC, ECan, Runanga, and LRWCT on 4th April at 10:30 at LRSC to discuss the proposed culvert at Kinloch Bridge and feasibility study.
- Community garden update: Submit feedback on the proposed garden to CCC before the close date of 28th April 2023. Caroline and Eric came as a deputation to a group of Western Valley Road residents to share their concerns and ask questions.
- Kaituna Valley feed barns: Application suspended. Await potential hearings by commissioners in July/August.
- Coronation Library: Confirmed refurbishment plans are out for tender. Fundraising suggested for a kitchen near bathroom plumbing, investigate internal access to toilets, and address pathway and car parking requirements. Meeting with CCC on 11th April at 1pm in Little River Service Centre.
- Flower Power: Allocate funding towards the garden and landscaping of Coronation Library is the current sentiment.
- Cyclone Fundraiser: Fling ding dance at Birdlings Flat Community Hall - have requested Community Trust to help cover the cost of the community event, which will have a door entry donation for Cyclone recovery efforts in the North Island.
- Alison: Planning a planting day at Harmans Park reserve in late August and further planting/weeding at Tumbledown Bay on 6th August 2023. Requested Runanga to gift an appropriate name to Harmans Park reserve. Looking to explore options for Te Reo lessons in the community and organise suitable time, place, and funding arrangements.
- Marina and Emily: Create a Civil Defense group in Wairewa with a lead communicator and several volunteers. Coordinate with Civil Defense NZ (Andrew Kirk) for training. Acknowledge the role of First Responders during emergencies but address the need for a formal Civil Defense presence in the community. Emily to facilitate discussions with Trust support.
- Bumps at Community Hall + Toilets: Request to address tripping hazards caused by bumps and limited lighting at Community Hall. Encourage individuals injured by these hazards to write to the board or council to report the dangers. Also a frequent request to address issues with public toilets in Little River due to frequent outages and septic tank overflows as a health and safety concern.
- Cooptown -> Little River Footpath: Community board following up on the LRBI document regarding the footpath, to assist locals, visitors, and school children commuting.
- Sarah introduction: Investigate and create email addresses for the Trust using the website address format (e.g., chair@littleriver.org.nz) and distribute printed newsletters by the end of April. Explore update to the phone book and proposed Community Trust branded t-shirts for members to wear during trust events and volunteering activities to increase community awareness and engagement

Meeting closed 9:33pm

Closed with karakia

Next meeting: starting 7:30pm, 1st May 2023 at Little River Service Centre