



## Annual General Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Chairs Report

It has been a short timeframe in my role as chair, the 6 months have flown by but in that time, I feel we have achieved a lot as a committee, which I summarise below.

#### Committee update

As you will see from the nominations several of our current committee have decided not to put their name forward for a position on the committee next year.

I'd like to thank Fran de Gregorio, Pat Vinaccia, Bruce Gadd and Ruby Ghanem for their contribution to the committee over the last 6 months and prior. I wish Ruby all the best as she heads off to Uni, Fran and Pat with the businesses that are keeping them busy and Bruce who would like to focus on other things.

We have had 3 new nominations to the committee – Riki Anderson, Andrew Lourantos and Kirsty Smith. This takes the number of nominations to 11 and so an election is not needed. I'd like to welcome Riki, Andrew and Kirsty to the committee and I look forward to working with them, along with Catherine, Sonya, Sally, Jeff, Chris, Ben and Mark who will make up your committee for the coming year.

#### Update on the actions from the March AGM

Several motions were passed at the last AGM, and it has been a priority of the committee to complete the actions that came from these:

- Motion 2 passed: That IBRA survey the residents of Island Bay (including beyond the newsletter membership of IBRA) and then publish a paper on how the residents of Island Bay would like IBRA to meet the 8 Objects of its constitution.
  - The survey has been completed and Sonya will present the results at the AGM
- Motion 3 passed: That IBRA Committee develop and publish a code of conduct for Committee members (in alignment with the IBRA constitution), which is then signed by Committee members.
  - This has been completed and is available on our website
  - We have not physically signed the document, but all committee members agreed to the final version
- Motion 4 passed: That all IBRA Committee meetings are open to all Island Bay residents and the community to attend and contribute, acknowledging the need for in-Committee business.
  - All meetings have been open to residents who want to attend
  - Several meetings have had a community update focus on topics such as Predator Free, History of the Bay, Crime prevention



- The aim for 2023 will be to have 2 meetings that are really targeted to community attendance, quite distinct from the business committee meetings
- Motion 5 passed: That the Island Bay Residents Association adopts and states an impartial position on the Island Bay Cycleway and The Parade Upgrade. In recognition of the diversity of views in our community and the divisive nature of these issues, we propose that IBRA leadership supports community diversity, and encourages all members to be kind and care for each other.
  - We have upheld this motion despite it causing angst for some residents, it is also in keeping with our constitutional objectives
- Motion 6 passed: That IBRA Committee always undertake an open and well-publicised consultation with residents and the wider community of Island Bay before making any submissions on our behalf, and document the consultation process undertaken.
  - Members of the committee were involved with the Public Space Design working group, along with several other local residents. Information about this was regularly posted in our email updates.
  - We have not been engaged in any submission on behalf of the community.
- Motion 9 passed: That the newly elected Committee look at reducing the number of Committee members to a more manageable number.
  - We have discussed this as a committee several times and the consensus is to keep the committee at the current number (13) as detailed in our constitution
- Motion 11 passed: That clause 12 should be replaced to read as follows:
  - Election of Committee and Officers of the Group
    - a) The Secretary shall not later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Group call for nominations for the Committee and shall circulate such nominations with notices of the Annual General Meeting.
    - b) At the first meeting of the Committee they shall elect a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer from their number to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.
  - This was updated and lodged with the Companies register as an update to our constitution

## Email updates

We have restarted the monthly email update, with the goal of circulating relevant information to our members. We also post this on our social media platforms so that non-members can access the information. We have received positive feedback on these updates.



## Website and Facebook page/Twitter/Instagram

We are constantly working on our website, keeping it up to date with relevant information and documents.

Our social media platforms are more active, and any news update posted on the website automatically populates our SM sites.

## Membership

As of 2<sup>nd</sup> October, we have 597 members on our database.

We have updated our membership database to ensure that all contacts are current and with the details required to be a member of the Island Bay Residents' Association. This was important if we needed to run an election using an online voting option.

The current set-up also has us well prepared for when we need to re-register in line with the New Inc societies bill, for that members must actively opt-in to membership.

For those who want access to our email updates etc., it can still be accessed via the news section of our website or on our social media platforms.

## South Coast Arts Trail (SCAT)

This event will run in the bay in 2023, being coordinated by the SCAT team. IBRA had been used in 2022 to hold funds for this event but this will not be the case for future events, all funds held in the IBRA SCAT account have been transferred to the new SCAT account. We look forward to promoting this event to residents and hope it continues to be the success it was in 2022.

## Meet the candidate's night

IBRA and Owhiro Bay Residents' Associations held a successful meet the candidates, one of the first of the season. It was well attended by candidates and residents. A recording of the night was made available for those unable to attend in person.

## 4C and Coastal Adaption

IBRA has worked alongside associations of the south coast to try and put coastal adaption on the agenda in the face of sea level rise. A meeting was held in June to hear from several scientists on the topic, along with Minister James Shaw.

I look forward to working for the community next year and hope that we can bring some more community-focused events to the Bay.

Sheila Hart  
Chair 2022