



Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Wednesday, 12 April 2023 St Hilda's

7- 8:30 pm

Committee Only 7-7.45 PM

Welcome and apologies

Chair: Sheila Hart

Minute taker: Catherine Inder

Apologies: Riki Anderson, Sally Page

Not in attendance:

In attendance in person: Kirsty Smith, Sonya Cameron, Ben Everist, Chris Wratt, Andrew Lourantos, Jeff McDonald

In attendance on Zoom: Mark Henderwood (online but intermittent)

The Chair opened the meeting with a karakia and thanked everyone for attending our first Wednesday meeting. The Chair noted that Sally cannot usually attend on a Wednesday due to other commitments.

Minutes and Action Points from previous meeting (6 March 2023)

Minutes

Approved.

Actions

Working with the previous IBRA accountant on how to register with IRD - should ensure progress.

Comms strategy - how we manage our social media, inquiries. This will be a June agenda item.

- Jeff to register with IRD - ongoing.
- Share the draft comms strategy for feedback - ongoing.
- Compiling list of business, notice to go out on social media. This is with Jeff. We are keen to have a list of businesses and keep this updated - close.
- To apply for funds via the Council's Social and Recreation Fund, closing date for applications 23 March - close.
- Follow up with council re: changing rooms at the beach. This is on the plan but not a high priority. Better signage can happen - close.
- MEVO - car share. Sheila to meet to discuss how we can encourage their presence in Island Bay - ongoing.



Committee Engagement

Not all members have joined WhatsApp. Sheila is keen to support members' engagement and understand barriers to using WhatsApp.
Our SLACK site has not been used for some time, as we were on a free account we do not have access to messages > 30 days old. However it was a per member fee for the upgraded option and not really viable.

May meeting logistics

Wellington City Council

Brennan Baxley presenting on the village upgrade. Lexie Seedhouse's team is presenting on the city in Transition Project - focus for the next couple of years (water infrastructure; earthquake strengthening; transitional cycleway; lighting upgrade; app to coordinate projects and minimise disruption; strengthening community engagement). Thirty minutes allocated for each item plus time for discussion and questions.

Want as many residents as possible to attend.

IBRA Committee business will be conducted online during May.

Communications

We will put fliers in supermarket, library, schools, noticeboard outside liquor store

Action: Catherine to contact Council re collaborating around communications highlighting the town centre plans and whether there is any opportunity to collaborate on any further plans

Action: Sheila to follow up with Brennan on mural for the toilet

Action: Ben & Chris to go to the pub and discuss opportunity to upgrade the noticeboard with the pub owners

Thorndon/Kilbirnie – RA activity around submissions

Submissions around cycle way in Thorndon and Kilbirnie and interest in how IBRA managed the interaction with the council. Concerns about parking.

IBRA has communicated that its role is being a conduit for information rather than advocating for or against a cycleway.

Other issues

If we have additional funding then create a process so that individuals and Island Bay community organisations can apply for funding.

There is also potential also to facilitate a space where other community organisations could fundraise on Saturday mornings (for example). Businesses could contribute to the fund (or an alternative fund eg. the enhancement fund).

Action: Sonia to develop the process but IBRA will not implement until we know we have been



successful in the next funding round.

Open Meeting 7:45 – 8:30

Welcomes:

Wellington City Council (WCC): Nureddin Abdurahman, Laurie Foon (online)

Residents in person: Pat Vinnacia

The Chair opened the meeting to the public and thanked everyone for attending.

Reminder of meeting conduct

Reminder to everyone attending of our values, that we want the meeting to be a safe space where everyone is treated with respect.

Update on community events

We have held 2 sausage sizzles in March and April and an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Monday.

Richard from New World has been very supportive.

The April sausage sizzle raised \$160 for the cyclone relief fund - Katie from WREMO attended so discussion included emergency management issues.

The weather presented challenges for the Easter Monday Egg Hunt. However, about 10 families turned up at 10 am and the sun came out.

A good opportunity to interact with the community. Discussions included how to connect the community; how to get communications out; the role of the residents association.

Discussion around what could be our next community event – supporting Halloween - plan to help people out with providing sweets - some houses hit particularly hard. Suggestions included: playing tricks, offering strawberries as a healthy alternative to lollies, a prize for the best dressed house, holding an event in a community space, holding a barbecue.

A Halloween planning session to be on the June agenda.

May meeting agenda (note at WSBC)

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There is concern about aspects of the plan:

- The bus stop outside the Empire is holding up traffic and creating a safety threat with cars



crossing over to the other side of the road around the traffic island.

- Query why bother beautifying earthquake prone buildings.
- Businesses not being listened to re loss of parking
- Council not carrying out adequate consultations

The committee discussed the limitations of public consultations that are only one input to decisions. That is why we elect council members.

Nureddin responded:

- Sometimes feedback influences other plans e.g. transport.
- Council working on improving communication.
- He is keen to be accountable for what he has campaigned on.
- He invites businesses to reach out to him and, if he can help, he will.

Laurie agreed to follow up with WCC on concerns around the bus stop outside the Empire Cinema on a busy intersection.

Meet the Candidates Night 21/9/23

This is a community event planned for September ahead of the October general election.

Candidates coming to our meetings

A candidate for election to parliament wants to attend our meeting and introduce themselves.

IBRA confirms that it is happy for all candidates to come and introduce themselves. However, we would recommend the upcoming May meeting as a good opportunity to engage with more people.

Submissions currently open - WCC annual plan and Open spaces

Alerting people at these opportunities to have their voices heard.

Surf club

Action for Kirsty to check out hours open - could be daylight saving only. Agree they need brightening up.

Any other business

Let's Get Wellington moving

Who do we talk to about that? Lots of residents have questions about mass transit and impact on this community - how do we provide more information?

The Business Case about to come out so probably wait for that to be released - this is when to start talking. It is a 10 year plan. Island Bay is unlikely to be the first site chosen.

District Plan is a 2 track system - with initial project in 3.5 years

Important that we get Council representatives out to all impacted residents associations.



Island Bay Residents' Association Inc

Laurie invited members and residents to fire through any questions.

Celebration for Kay Miller

There will be a three- pronged celebration on October 15 focused on compassion.

Mark will present more info at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Date and time of next meeting

Wednesday, 3 May Community Update meeting @ WS Baptist Church

Action Running Sheet

Date	Actions	Who	Status
1 Aug 2022	Jeff to register with IRD	Jeff	Open
2 May 2022	Share the draft comms strategy for feedback	Ben	Open
12 April 2023	Meet to encourage Mevo's presence in Island Bay	Sheila	Complete
12 April 2023	Contact Brennan at WCC to see if there is any opportunity to collaborate on communications about the meeting to discuss the town centre plan	Catherine	Open
12 April 2023	Contact Brennan at WCC re mural for the toilet	Sheila	Complete
12 April 2023	Talk to liquor store about revamping noticeboard	Ben & Chris	Open
12 April 2021	Check out opening hours of surf club changing rooms	Kirsty	Complete
13 Feb	Compiling list of business, notice to go out on social media.	Jeff/ Sheila	Close
06 March	To apply for funds via the Council's Social and Recreation Fund, closing date for applications 23 March.	Sheila	Close
06 March	Follow up with council of plans for upgrade to current Surf Club changing room/toilet and signage	Sheila	Close

Items carried forward

Date	Item	To when
12 April 2023	Halloween event planning	TBC
12 April 2023	Communications strategy	June
12 April 2023	Planning for Kay Baxter memorial	June



* Items that are crossed out will be removed following the next meeting