

Hataitai Residents Association July 5th meeting minutes

Present: Tim Beverstock, Zandra Brickhill, Terri O'Neill, Sonia Rafter, Jardena Shelton, Chris Watson, Isaac Woodbridge, Martin Woodbridge

AGM Preparation

- Isaac is happy to stay on as Chairperson and Tim as Secretary. New Treasurer TBC at AGM in August.
- A copy of the AGM 2022 minutes will be attached to the HRA Constitution to confirm the new membership protocol, which will replace 4b of the HRA Constitution.

Follow-up action: Get the August AGM mentioned in the monthly 'what's on in Hataitai' e-newsletter and create a Facebook event.

General Business

WRM

- Isaac received an email from the wider Wellington Residents Associations. He will forward this round for Committee interest to see how other Residents' Associations run and what they do.

HCRT AGM report

- Martin spoke to highlights from the recent HCRT report. These included: fundraising for a defibrillator for Hataitai Village, Organising the quiz night, extending the distribution of Hataitai Happenings and the reopening of the Hataitai Menzshed.
- An idea about using the Menzshed to supply native plants for residents to use in their gardens was discussed. Terri said the WCC nursery can supply free plants for community planting, i.e. communal areas but not individual backyards. The nursery can also advise on what, where and how to plant.
- Potential places for Community planting are: the bushes by the bus tunnel and hills down to the Village, behind the public toilets on Taurima St.
- Combining the community planting with Predator Free NZ, the Menzshed and Hataitai Market could help build community resilience (along with 'Movies on the Green', postponed due to lockdowns). With a recession on the horizon, this resilience might counter any spikes in crime, e.g. higher petrol prices motivating people to steal petrol from resident's cars.

Follow-up actions: Martin will chat to Floyd Morgan (Menzshed Co-ordinator) about the above ideas.

Four Square mural

- Sonia gave an update on the Four Square mural.
- Thanks to Jardena, Zandra, Lucinda and Terri for cleaning up the graffiti.
- Deli at WCC said the hours the roller door is visible are a factor when deciding to release funds for community murals (a cost/benefit ratio for the Council) (currently, the door is visible between 9 pm and 8 am when the Four Square opens).
- Pippa from the WCC Arts portfolio is keen for a mural to go up.
- Community grants are available (Arts and Culture and Creative Community Grants which close in July and August, respectively). Resene paints can also donate paint, although this may not be suitable to apply to a roller door (ironically, spray paint is better to use).
- An advantage of a mural is it may not be tagged so much. A Graffiti protector can also be applied to help remove any tagging that does happen.
- We're still on the lookout for names of potential artists.

- All Saints Church is open to loaning a 'mural wall' for local artists to practice on. This might deter people from tagging Hataitai Village buildings.

The meeting closed at 8.12 pm, so we could head to Waitoa for post-meeting libations.