

# Pohangina Valley Community Committee Minutes

Pohangina Community Committee Meeting  
7 May 2020 at 7.30pm  
Zoom Meeting Online

**Present:** L Besley, J Hawthorn ,M Nettle, S Edwards , D Roberts, D O'Regan, , S Francis, J-A Bolton, Cr P Marsh

		Procedural Matters	Action
1.1	Apologies	<b><i>That the following apology be accepted.</i></b> H Worboys, J Barnett, Y Forlong, M Pratt, A Walcroft, Cr S Bielski, M Dickens and S Groves.	J-A Bolton/S Francis <b>Carried</b>
1.2	Correspondence	<b>Inward</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11 Mar Matthew Bayliss- 60-day consultation on Draft Reserve Management Plans. Closes 9 May.</li> <li>• 23 Mar Janine Hawthorn re covid webpage on MDC website</li> <li>• 25 Mar Matthew McKay- Policy team invite phone calls re review of rural zoning/subdivision. <a href="https://www.mdc.govt.nz/Services/Planning/District-Plan/Plan-Changes">https://www.mdc.govt.nz/Services/Planning/District-Plan/Plan-Changes</a></li> <li>• 30 Mar Highland Home re Satellite Supermarket offer.</li> <li>• 7 Apr J Hawthorn re CC/MDC Zoom meeting</li> <li>• 14 Apr J Hawthorn info re covid relief and drought relief</li> <li>• 17 Mar H Worboys re Anzac Lockdown and On Track info re rates</li> <li>• 23 Apr J Hawthorn re Anzac Service on Youtube.</li> </ul>	J-A Bolton/S Francis <b>Carried</b>
1.3	Confirmation Previous Minutes	<b><i>That the minutes from the previous meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020, with a slight adjustment to item 2.8 regarding Pohangina Valley Newsletter to state that: one hard copy per year will be distributed through the Valley, be accepted as a true and correct record.</i></b>	M Nettle/J-A Bolton <b>carried</b> .

1.4	Matters Arising		
2	Items for Approval / Information		
2.1	Finances	<p><b><i>That the Financial Report showing a balance of \$17805 be accepted.</i></b></p> <p>The reduction was due to \$2,500 (funding for bus shelter) was not carried forward into the 2019/2020 financial year.</p>	<p><b>S Edwards /D O'Regan Carried</b></p>
2.2	Emergency Management	<p>County Fayre has requested PVCT fund maintenance of the AED. J Hawthorne found a receipt saying it was purchased from St Johns and the PVCC will contact St Johns to ascertain costs of maintenance and that figure will be presented to the next meeting in June.</p> <p>Motion: Any future community projects of this type are to use Pohangina Valley Community Trust as the banker.</p> <p>It was noted that the <u>Emergency Response Plan</u> Civil Defence contact list has been updated by J-A Bolton and Sonya Stevens (MDC) has been approached to try and restrict editing access to the list to safeguard it. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y9xrij6ak">https://tinyurl.com/y9xrij6ak</a></p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Liz</b></p> <p><b>Carried</b></p> <p><b>Noted</b></p>
2.3	PVCC and Election Protocol	Meeting time will now be the first Thursday of June, August, October and December.	<b>Noted</b>
2.4	River Access	River Access- Culling Walkway: MDC continue to mow the walkway. Keys to the main gate on Pohangina Road are held by MDC, Gary and Judy Martin.	<b>Noted</b>
2.5	Raumai Reserve	<p>RECAP in association with Source to Sea and Palmy's Plastic Pollution Challenge carried out a successful Raumai Reserve Clean-up on March 14<sup>th</sup>. A story on this ran in the Newsletter.</p> <p>Note: while the agenda including the following: <i>The current rubbish bin is inadequate and needs to be replaced with a bigger one.</i> It was not discussed or actioned</p>	<b>Noted</b>
2.6	Pohangina Recreation Reserve	<p>L Besley advised that significant progress has been made on the Domain Development</p> <p>Pavilion Facelift What a superb job the Rovers did painting the pavilion recently. Mark Drury coordinated the team and the community extend our congratulations on volunteering their time, energy and skill. Mark has offered their services for any future development. Personal thanks to: Shaul MacArthur, Mikayla Dooney, Vanessa Rozenberg, Alister Bellamy and Dani Stevens Fallen Tree</p>	<b>Noted</b>

		<p>We would like to extend a huge thanks to Dave Roberts who cleared the remaining timber rounds left by MDC after they dealt with cleaning up the upper branches and chain sawing. Dave and John Brock have since split the rounds for firewood and have kindly offered it to those who for whatever reason find themselves in need</p> <p>Bikers Refreshment Stop</p> <p>Mary Nettle set up a drink station at the Domain for bikers on the recent Tour Aotearoa 2020 and raised \$500 over the three-and-a-half weeks it was open. The money has been donated to the Pohangina School Reserve. Although drinks, muffins, biscuits etc were pretty much at cost price, many riders contributed extra, or gave an outright donation towards our School Reserve. Good on them! Thanks for a great initiative Mary- fulfilling a need and sharing our beautiful community asset with carpark and picnic tables.</p> <p>On site Meeting</p> <p>A group of 8 locals and MDC's Landscape designer, Pete Shore, met in the pavilion for afternoon tea on 22 February and determined the next activities. These will focus on the oval area and include specimen tree planting with protective surrounds, some fence adjustment and the beginning of a pathway. Once we receive the updated landscape plan, we will purchase trees and propose a working bee which the Lions Club have offered to take part in. Email 3 May copied in to report shows list as discussed to be incorporated in to plan.</p> <p>Stock Yard Entrance</p> <p>James Adamson will organise an onsite meeting once we are in Level 2 with the MDC roading team to finalise the location of the entrance for stock trucks.</p>	
2.61	<p><b>Pohangina Wetlands</b></p>	<p>D O'Regan as the community representative on the Pilone Trust reported:</p> <p>The Pilone Trust is hoping to meet soon after the Covid-19 emergency.</p> <p>Some further maintenance work has occurred.</p> <p>A flock of Spoonbills has been spotted by Gordon and Ann</p>	<p><b>Noted</b></p>

		<p>Pilone, previously only one or two would visit.</p> <p>The Trust hopes to investigate moving the entrance to the wetlands to the northern end of the property, including the addition of a carpark and information board/signage. Once they have finalised details, they will present the proposal to PVCC and seek funding/support.</p>	
2.7	<b>ANZAC Ceremony</b>	<p>L Besley advised that Jim Barnett purchased flagpole items and Roger Black and Mark Drury report the engineers at Ohakea have completed the alterations to the flag pole. Once we are down to level 2, they will erect it. Thanks for the great team work.</p> <p>The local valley community celebrated Anzac Day at home in various ways, some gathering at dawn at their gateways and/or attending YouTube services.</p>	<b>Noted</b>
2.8	<b>PVC Newsletter/website</b>	<p>Julie Ann Bolton is the new editor community newsletter and has published a superb edition on the 3 April. A huge thankyou Julie Ann and congratulations on the fine calibre. Motion held that the next issue should be the annual hard copy issue for 2020.</p>	<b>Carried</b>
2.9	<b>Community Action Plan</b>	No further update	
2.10	<b>Bus Shelter/Information Centre</b>	No further update	
2.11	<b>Signage Project</b>	<p>J Barnett's update was presented: Dan White has agreed for one sign to be positioned at his stockyards. MDC Roading have no issues with the positioning of the 2 signs. However, we need a resource consent because the signs are not at the entrance or exit of a village in the Manawatu District. Janine sent me a resource consent application which I was just about to action before we went into level 4. Have several questions which I need to discuss with MDC, i.e. Who is the owner of the resource consent? How much detail do they require on the effects on the environment when it is just 2 signs going up? Janine confirmed that the resource consent would be owned by the PVCC and that Clare Stewart, MDC's Senior Planning Consultant, is the contact.</p>	<b>Noted</b>
2.12	<b>Annual Plan</b>	No update as was discussed previously	
2.13	<b>Valley Road Lookout</b>	No update	
2.12	<b>Pohangina Hall</b>	<p>Update presented on behalf of J Barnett: The Quiz night on June 6 has been cancelled because the uncertainty of what will be allowed at that time. Have had bookings cancelled and no new bookings since COVID_19 crisis began and this together with the cancellation of the Quiz night will put</p>	<b>Noted</b>



	<b>Churchill Road/Pohangina Valley East Road Intersection</b>	The meeting to discuss solutions to the issues at this intersection was postponed because of the COVID-19 crisis	<b>Noted</b>
<b>3.1</b>	<b>MDC Report</b>	<p>Cr P Marsh updated the committee on recent activities at MDC: He noted a new district vision had been adopted ahead of the 2021/31 LTP and with regards to infrastructure the following has been approved:  Watershed Road/Ashhurst Rd intersection 2021.  Kelvin Grove and Ashhurst Road intersection 2021  And, that Awahou School signage enhancement project will occur.</p> <p>A discussion was held about cleaning the sign at the School Reserve and installation of toilet sign at Finnis and Pohangina Valley Road. J Hawthorne advised these had been logged with Recreational Services</p>	<b>Noted</b>
<b>3.2</b>	<b><u>Walking/Cycle Track Proposal</u></b>	No further update	
<b>3.3</b>	<b><u>Totara Reserve Advisory Group</u></b>	No update presented	
	<b>Meeting Closed</b>	8.52pm	
	<b>Next Meeting</b>	Thursday 4 June 2020 at 7.30pm at County Fayre.	