



Agenda for a meeting of the Pōkeno Community Committee to be held in the Pookeno Community Hall, Corner Great South Road and Market Street, Pookeno on **MONDAY, 20 MAY 2024** commencing at **7.00PM**.

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The register of interests is no longer included on agendas; however, members still have a duty to disclose any interests under this item.

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To	Pokeno Community Committee
Report title	Confirmation of Minutes
Date:	Monday, 13 May 2024
Report Author:	Elizabeth Saunders, Senior Democracy Advisor
Authorised by:	Gaylene Kanawa, Democracy Manager

1. Purpose of the report

Te Take moo te puurongo

To confirm the minutes for a meeting of the Pokeno Community Committee held on Monday, 8 April 2024.

2. Staff recommendations

Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

THAT the minutes for a meeting of the Pokeno Community Committee held on Monday, 8 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

3. Attachments

Ngaa taapirihanga

Attachment 1 – PCC Minutes, Monday, 8 April 2024

POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of Pokeno Community Committee held on Monday 8 April 2024 7.00 pm at Pokeno Hall.

Present:

Allen Grainger (Chair), Helen Clotworthy (Deputy Chair), Ginny Bullock (Secretary), Bronwyn Heath, Cecilia Heta, Janet Baillie, Mike Holroyd, Ian Leader

Councillors: Vern Reeve, Kandi Ngataki

Visitors: Will Gauntlett (WDC), Garrett Huelson (WDC), Tamlyn Theys (WDC) (WDC), Jenni Wild (NZTA/Waka Kotahi)

Approximately 45-50 members of the public

Apologies

Nil

Confirmation of Status of Agenda

Moved Allen Grainger

Seconded Mike Holroyd

Confirmation of previous minutes 13 February 2024

Moved Cecilia Heta

Seconded Kandi Ngataki

Disclosures of interest

The register of disclosures of interests is no longer included on agendas but PCC members still have a duty to disclose any interests under this item to the Chairman

PUBLIC FORUM

Waka Kotahi

Jenni Wild gave a presentation on the progress of SH1 between Papakura and Drury including walking/cycling pathways

\$655M budget will probably be exceeded due to Covid, extra cost of materials and extra consents

Papakura southbound onramp from Beach Road should be completed shortly

Papakura northbound offramp changes completed in 3 weeks, not 4 as allowed, due to increased night work

6 new bridges need to be built including 2 at Drury interchange to allow for electrification of rail lines

New Chorus depot built at Drury interchange

Waikato pipeline will have to be replaced and moved

Project will take years to be completed

Next stage is up for consent, delayed due to areas of cultural significance on both sides of the motorway

There will be a hearing for the public with meetings planned later 2024. Next meeting in Drury Hall on 18 May 10 am – 1 pm

A discussion took place regarding speed limits. She advised that although central government wants them to be increased, in fact this is up to local councils to determine by by-law

Speed camera on Mill Road Bombay was discussed. Access to Orion Road almost impossible due to culvert and barrier around the camera installation

Lights at Bombay interchange to be installed mid-2024. Tenders close this week. Will take about 4 months subject to weather conditions and disruptions will happen

She is taking back to Waka Kotahi the following:

Question was raised regarding Pokeno southbound off ramp

Vegetation was planted 30 years ago and has not been maintained.

Community Patrol went and cut back huge flax bushes but these have regrown and vegetation is not fit for purpose, blocking visibility and endangering traffic on the roundabout

Lines need to be repainted

Why has Pokeno offramp not received a NZTA number as other off ramps on state highways

Bridges at Pokeno south on/off ramps are not maintained and are very overgrown

Thanks from Allen Grainger

Haupai Montgomery

Haupai answered questions and spoke about whanau, hapu, iwi building a marae on Avon Road on the site of the dog park and the paddock next door. This will create better understanding. Also discussion regarding services to Maori. There will not be a convention centre attached to the marae as this will be sited either at Pokeno Sports Park or at the new Community Hub

WDC considering concept plan. No dog park as this culturally offensive to maori near a marae. Dog park to be moved to other side of Tennis Club on Reserve. WDC to decide if no marae or if so, public consideration. Public will get chance to speak on this when submissions when open/close. Outcome August-October 2025

Question regarding suitability of Avon Road. It is narrow and not suitable to extra traffic. Who will pay for road widening and improvements?

Question why another marae is needed for the district as both Tuakau and Mangatawhiri are within 10kms of Pokeno

Question re ownership of land as it appears that it was donated to the People of Pokeno many years ago for use including a school which was later moved to its present site

They are hoping to get 99-year lease on the land. He advised that the marae will not be funded by ratepayers since they will fund themselves and hope to get a result by November / December 2024

There will be a meeting on Saturday 04 May at 10.00 am at Pokeno Hall with local dignitaries, historians etc to explain the concept

Reminded meeting that Matariki is Friday 28 June this year
Thanks from Allan Grainger

CORRESPONDENCE

In: Various emails from WDC forwarded by Secretary Ginny Bullock to all committee members.

Out: Nil

REPORTS

Councillor's report




Councillor Report
PCC April 2024.docx

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Strategy and Growth / Pokeno Realm

A meeting is planned in 2 weeks regarding community hub
Committee is working on behalf of all of Pokeno even though this does not seem to be the case at times. An Open Day in October was well advertised and very few residents attended
WDC website has full information on what is happening in Pokeno
Question was raised about Ratepayers group. This is now defunct as it has morphed into elected Community Committee

Treasurer's report

 [PCC Financial Report 27 February 2024 - 8 April 2024](#)

Events

Pokeno Sports Park
Carpark is complete with lighting
Blessing at 5.00 am on 2 May

Anzac Day 25 April
March to Cenotaph at 9.00 am will have a different route this year due to road works
Traffic Management to be contacted to stop all traffic movements during service as last year Envirowaste truck drove through which was very disruptive and disrespectful.

Communications

Website is being updated

NEIGHBOURING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

KEY WORKS PROGRAMMES

Will Gauntlett (WDC) advised that we should go to WDC website to see all planned Works and Issues and Capital Projects in the Pokeno area on the Home Page.

Vic from Market Place raised a question regarding the road cones on Great South Road/ He has discussed this with Brian Cathro from WDA (managing the works and wants to see gaps where traffic from Pokeno Road can turn right into Great South Road without having to travel up to the roundabout at the Pokeno North off ramp. He wants a stop/go system but this will not work after 5.00 pm

Traffic lights phasing on corner of Hitchen Road and Pokeno Road needs to be changed while works are happening. Traffic delays are extremely long, particularly at school opening/closing times. Instances of impatient, dangerous driving, trucks blocking Pokeno Road/Helenslee intersection

Layby on Pokeno Road

Road Marking scheduled shortly when current water main works are completed

Munro Road

Road will be closed shortly for up to 4 months for widening and for flood protection to enable access to Sports Park

One way/no exit Ford Street

Will discussed this with Brenda Roberts after the meeting

Main Street redevelopment

Asbestos was found at roundabout site which stopped work. This has now been removed and works should restart shortly

Helen Clotworthy raised the subject of the paving and how access to shops was severely impaired with no access for wheelchairs. Dust and grit are a hazard and are filling guttering on Wellington Street carparks
She also raised the fact that rubbish has not been collected and the solar bins are not impacting rubbish and it looks like a third world country. She is not sure whether this is the contractor's fault but needs to be addressed urgently. No collection over Easter. Her staff have filled enormous bags with rubbish but still is a problem

Toilet block

This has been delayed while decisions are made regarding Community Hub

GENERAL BUSINESS

Pokeno/Tuakau school bus

A letter from Will Gauntlett to Allen Grainger was read out.

Waikato Regional Council, Franklin Transport Network Group and principal of Tuakau College are in discussions regarding how a school bus would work from beginning of Term 2.

Ministry of Education website states \$1000 per family for buses

Tuakau College is exploring the viability of allowed students to finish early in order to catch 3.19 pm and 3.48 pm services from Tuakau to Pokeno

Question from member of the public regarding a protest walk but Mike Holroyd advised this is not a good idea as it really won't work. Pokeno is not the only place affected, the buses are being withdrawn countrywide

New annual plan 2024/2025 document

This was handed out at a meeting prior to Committee meeting (copies ran out).

It should be on council website for all to read

Contains details of projected rate increase of 13.75%

Brief discussion regarding abolition of 3 Waters and that Watercare is pulling out of agreement for Tuakau/Pokeno effective 2026. Costs of updating existing water infrastructure is in the millions

Sunday Market

A question was asked about the land where the market was held. It is privately owned.

Medical Centre

Sign on site of medical centre has been removed. It is not known whether this means that it not going to be built or not

A question was raised about an ambulance service in Pokeno. It was suggested that fundraising can be done to support this

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm

MEETING DATES 2024

Monday 20 May

Monday 01 July

Monday 12 August

Monday 23 September

Monday 04 November

Monday 16 December

To	Pookeno Community Committee
Report title	Pokeno Works and Issues Report – May 2024
Date:	22 May 2024
Report Author:	Soroya McGall, EA to General Manager Community Growth
Authorised by:	Will Gauntlett, General Manager Community Growth

1. Purpose of the report

Te Take moo te puurongo

To provide an update on issues arising from the previous meeting and works underway.

2. Staff recommendations

Tuutohu-aa-kaimahi

THAT the Works and Issues report from the General Manager Community Growth for May 2024 be received.

3. Attachments

Ngaa taapirihanga

1. Works and Issues Report May 2024

Pookeno Community Committee's Works and Issues Report – May 2024

	Issue and Action	Area	Status Update
1.	<p>Pookeno Road Layby – the layby near the new traffic lights – Cecelia has had a few complaints re safety of the road. From those who live on Pookeno Road, coming from Tuakau. There are two entries a top one and the bottom one. The entrances are hard to see.</p> <p>Action: 3 May 2022 Consider options to increase safety/visibility of entry/exit into layby.</p>	Roading / LMC	<p>May 2024:</p> <p>Road marking have now been completed. This item is considered closed.</p>
2.	<p>One Way/No Exit Ford Street Can the “No Exit” sign colour be changed to be more prominent. Suggestions were made to show “No Right Turn” sign or “Residents Only” sign.</p> <p>Action: 24 February 2024 Residents have asked again for ‘Residents Only’ sign as road is only used by residents and their visitors. However, the road is being used by boy racers which is causing concern by residents.</p>	Roading / WDA	<p>May 2024:</p> <p>Residents of Ford Street have been updated on the new traffic management system. A temporary sign has been erected allowing a right turn which should remove some of the illegal U-turns into the entrance of the street.</p> <p>A temporary chicane has been installed to manage speeding drivers. Residents are to monitor the new measures and report back to WDC Capital Projects Consultant on how well these are working.</p> <p>This item is considered closed.</p>
3.	<p>Urban Marae</p> <p>Action 8 April 2024: What upgrade would be required to Avon Road to support the marae and who would pay for that.</p>	Service Delivery	<p>May 2024:</p> <p>This proposal went to the Infrastructure Committee meeting on 17 April. The Committee</p>

	Issue and Action	Area	Status Update
			<p>agreed to have the matter go for public engagement and submissions.</p> <p>The Deputy General Manager of Service Delivery will speak further to this at the next Committee Meeting.</p> <p>Consenting issues and road upgrades have not been assessed at this stage. If Council supports leasing land for a marae, then the need for any services and roading upgrades will need to be considered as part of the consenting process.</p> <p>There are no plans for Council to fund any such works at this time.</p>
4.	<p>Managing litter and cleaning of main street</p> <p>Action 8 April 2024: What is the plan for looking after the streets and managing litter. How are complaints lodged.</p>		<p>May 2024:</p> <p>Litter bins are managed through the Alliance roading contract. Complaints have been received and raised with the contractor.</p> <p>Complaints should be lodged through the Antenno app.</p> <p>Service Delivery, Deputy Manager will attend the next meeting to further discuss this issue.</p>
5.	<p>Antenno App</p> <p>Action 8 April 2024:</p>	Communications Team	<p>May 2024:</p> <p>Instructions and graphics were provided to PCC by the Senior Communications and Engagement Advisor on 18 April.</p>

	Issue and Action	Area	Status Update
	Provide instructions on using the app to PCC for uploading to website.		This item is considered closed.

Capital Projects Update (as of 22 April 2024)**Playgrounds and Sports Parks****Pookeno Sports Park – Bulk Earth Works and Carpark Construction**

The bulk earthworks and the carpark are complete, and planting will get underway in May.

A project opening took place on Thursday, 2 May.

The carpark will remain closed as it will not be accessible with the upcoming Munro Rd Upgrade works.

Roading**Munro Road Resilience Improvement**

Consents have been granted and contractors Schick Civil Construction have been selected as the winning tenderer to carry out the works.

Works are scheduled to start this month but may be delayed slightly while the power is relocated near the culverts.

Pookeno Main Street Re-development

The construction crew have completed most of the 'street side' paving and when complete will shift to the shop side. A reinforced concrete pad was laid between the existing trees to support new tree surrounds and street furniture. Prep for the concrete speed table (pedestrian crossing) will commence when the weather allows.

Counties Energy came and energised the four new traffic light poles. This created real disruption for the two ice cream shops, and we thank them greatly for their understanding.

Comms connections will be installed in the streetlight poles (traffic lights are self-learning but sometimes need to be remotely adjusted).



Main Street looking north

Helenslee Road Minor Improvements

This project has been put on hold due to having an issue with the outlet of the stormwater, which runs on the overland flow path through a private property causing delays with the consent.

Construction works are now scheduled to commence in October 2024.

Pokeno Road - Bridge to Munro Rd

Expecting construction to kick off in January 2025 depending upon the outcome of resource consent application.

Great South Road and Pokeno Road Intersection Upgrade

Great news for the crew as the site is confirmed clear of any further asbestos piping.

We have now resolved the various design issues. Night works started on 21 April and are progressing well.

We've made a few adjustments to the traffic management as well following feedback from the community, and we will continue to tweak as we monitor traffic and progress with the works.



Great South Rd / Pokeno Intersection looking north

Facilities

Pookeno Toilet Replacement

Site works have been placed on hold pending community consultation around the location and detail of the proposed community hub development.

Pookeno Community Hub

A public co-design workshop was held on Monday 29 April from 4.30pm to 6.30pm at the Pookeno Community Hall. This was an opportunity for the local community to view and provide feedback on the draft concept designs prepared for the proposed hub.

Site Layout - Option 1



Site Layout - Option 2



Site Layout - Option 3

