

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the Meremere Community Committee held at the Meremere Community Hall, Heather Green Avenue, Meremere on **THURSDAY 08 AUGUST 2019** commencing at **7.00pm**.

**Present:**

Mr J Katu (Chairperson)  
Ms M Tararo (Secretary)  
Mr B Brown  
Mr J Harman  
Ms C Heta

**Attending:**

His Worship the Mayor, AM Sanson  
Cr J Sedgwick

Mr M Balloch (Building Quality Manager)

**APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Resolved: ( Mr Harman/Ms Heta)**

**THAT an apology be received from Mr D Creed.**

**CARRIED on the voices**

**MMCCI906/01**

**CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF AGENDA ITEMS**

**Resolved: (Mr Harman/Ms Heta)**

**THAT the agenda for a meeting of the Meremere Community Committee held on Thursday 13 June 2019 be confirmed and all items therein be considered in open meeting;**

**AND THAT all reports be received.**

**CARRIED on the voices**

**MMCCI906/02**

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved: (Mr J Harman/Ms C Heta)

**THAT the minutes of a meeting of Meremere Community Committee held on Thursday 8 August 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.**

CARRIED on the voices

**MMCCI906/03**

## REPORTS

### Works & Issues Report

Agenda Item 5.1

The report was received [*MMCCI906/02 refers*] and discussion was held on the following items.

- A meeting took place today (Thursday August 8<sup>th</sup>) regarding the provision of current health services from its existing venue (Te Paea Ave) to the Meremere Community Centre. In attendance were members of the Meremere Community Committee and Te Kauwhata Health Services.
- **Outcome of meeting:** An agreement was reached by both parties that upon notification to vacate the current space they occupy, Te Kauwhata Health Centre will provide these services from the Meremere Community Centre building at an agreed rental price of \$70.00 per day.
- **Questions raised that require further investigation and/or action:**
  - (a) Wheelchair access ramp will need to be installed at the centre.
  - (b) Will WIFI be available?
  - (c) Will the provision of power continue to be a Council expense?  
Niall will find out the answers to questions (b) and (c) and confirm with Merv.
- The new library building will be under CCTV surveillance and alarmed.

### Councillor's Report

Agenda Item 5.2

Cr Sedgwick gave an overview on the following items:

- Funding to acquire security cameras is currently available for communities such as Meremere.
- New library will be completed by late August to early September. Project team will contact the Committee within the next fortnight.

- A full time Police Officer is now based in Te Kauwhata with the possibility that he will be joined by at least 2 additional staff.

His Worship the Mayor gave an overview on the following items:

- Growth of Waikato district – particularly Pokeno, Tuakau and Ohinewai.
- Update on Sleepyhead factory set to be built in Ohinewai: Building of this site has already commenced with the consents process currently underway. An application to bring the hearing forward has been received and will no doubt be approved. To facilitate the building of this factory and future opportunities for growth, the owners have purchased 176 ha of farmland in Ohinewai which is situated on the corner of Lumsden and Tahuna Roads.
- Supermarket planned for Te Kauwhata and Pokeno.
- Hi-speed rail currently in the works with central government working on a business case to see this rail network come to fruition.
- Meremere re: Central corridor project. Discussions are currently underway with Waikato-Tainui regarding the development of land for the purposes of contributing to growth in the district.
- Pokeno Market: A discussion about relocating the Pokeno Sunday market to Mercer. His Worship the Mayor and Mr Brown will make further enquiries.

#### Discretionary Fund Report to 30 May 2019

#### Agenda Item 5.4

The report was received [MMCC1906/02 refers] and discussions were held on the following items:

- Mr Brown has made an offer to the Committee to purchase from him, a commercial grade water blaster. It is in excellent condition with receipts available upon request.

**Resolved: (Mr Katu/Mr Harman)**

**THAT the Meremere Community Committee purchase the waterblaster from Mr Brown at an agreed cost of \$1,900.00.**

**CARRIED on the voices**

**MMCC1906/03**

<b>ACTION:</b> Mr Brown to forward an invoice for payment to the Meremere Community Committee.
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## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The following items were discussed:

- Resignation of Mr Creed: Brief discussion on Mr Creed's resignation and appointment of Ms Horsfall as a new Committee member.

**Resolved: (Mr Katu/Mr Harman)**

**THAT the Meremere Community Committee formally accepts the resignation from Mr Creed as a member of the Committee;**

**AND THAT Ms Lauren Horsfall be appointed as a member of the Meremere Community Committee.**

**CARRIED on the voices**

**MMCCI906/03**

- Irene Mtakawa (Church Pastor and Meremere Youth group facilitator) has advised the Committee that the toilet in the Church is leaking and has made a request for it to be repaired as soon as possible.
- Ms C Heta - Meremere community holiday programme.
- Gift for Mr D Creed: Noted that Mr Creed had been an invaluable asset to this team and the community as a whole. Ms Tararo suggested a gift for 'Peplers' in Te Kauwhata. If she is able to do so, she will purchase a gift to the value of \$200.00 and seek reimbursement from the Committee.

**Resolved: (Mr Harman/Ms Heta)**

**THAT the Meremere Community Committee approve the purchase of a gift for Mr Creed, to the value of \$200.00, in acknowledgment of his services to the community.**

**CARRIED on the voices**

**MMCCI906/04**

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8:55pm

Minutes approved and confirmed this                                day of                                2019.

**J Katu**  
**CHAIRPERSON**