

POKENO COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the monthly Pokeno Community Committee meeting held in the Pokeno Hall, Pokeno, on 10th September 2019, commencing at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Helen Clotworthy, Todd Miller, Janet McRobbie,

Wayne Rodgers, Morris Roberts, Doug Rowe, Kris Hines, Ric Odom

WDC Staff in Attendance: Clive Morgan WRC Staff in Attendance: Andrew Wilson Cr Stephanie Henderson (arrived 1950)

1. <u>APOLOGIES</u>: Apologies received from Charles Hackett, Tricia Graham, Lance Straker, Cr Jacqui Church

Moved that the apologies be accepted: Helen Clotworthy

Seconded: Ric Odom

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE STATUS OF THE AGENDA

Changes to agenda 5.1, 5.2 as below

Moved: Helen Clotworthy Seconded: Kris Hines

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Helen Clotworthy declared conflict of interest with regards to the Supermarket build and Pokeno Bacon.

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Moved Helen Clotworthy Seconded Janet McRobbie

5. REPORTS

5.1. Public Transport presentation from WRC: Andrew Wilson

Andrew discussed: Service improvements for this area, with further improvements planned for the future.

Several years ago, a business case was engaged with WDC, communities and NZTA. A clear need for public transport needs were identified.

First tranche was decided to be public transport between Hamilton and Auckland, which is up and coming, which is being engaged with.

Next tranche is to develop a service between Pukekohe, Tuakau, and Pokeno 7 days, every 40 minutes during peak time and 2hours off-peak. Mid next year that this service is anticipated to start.

Detailed map/plan at Annex A.

Delays involve concerns and deconflicting the Ministry of Education bus service and the capacity for the public service to absorb or operate alongside. MoE have agreed to support a transitional process to measure and quantify the two service needs. Tender documents will be issued shortly.

Question raised about the supporting infrastructure for "park and ride" integration into the bus service. This was deferred to Clive from WDC due to their mandate for infrastructure. Clive discussed the potential of MERCER being a park and ride for future rail. Trigger points would be Central Govt strategic plan for rail as the driver. Plan informed by the metro corridor plan (Hamilton/Auckland), an amalgamation of 17 agencies.

Clive stated that WDC will come to the Community Committee to consult on the urban development and long-term plan for Pokeno and wider WDC.

5.2. Franklin Family Support Services: Louise Edwards

Louise greeted the committee and gathering.

Louise works out of the Pokeno Hall each Friday 0900-1200. Louise's work is around family violence.

25% of Franklin case load is from Pokeno area.

Social Service centre has been running for 40 years. Has a transport system funded by Counties Manukau DHB, services include counselling, budgeting services. Helen and the Committee thanked Louise for her support of the community.

5.3. Pokeno Works & Issues Report

Clive passed that the report be received.

Clive has asked that the Committee select a person as the primary POC for discussion proceeding forward with the Skatepark project. Wayne Rodgers has previous engaged with Hynes Pipes supporting the project. Committee will discuss who to be the POC from the community.

See Annex B for examples of other skateparks.

Helen to lodge a service request for road service issue around the off-ramp/Great South Road/Dean Road.

Munro Road Sports Park: presentation October meeting.

5.4. Proposed Changes to the Committee Charter

Ric to send to Clive additional wording around a length of absence that would deem a person as an unviable member without valid reason

5.5. LTP Update Verbal

Solid waste contract is under review, which will impact LTP planning. High level analysis is underway on the strategic environment that may impact council which will inform the consideration on the LTP itself.

5.6. Pokeno Community Committee Schedule

Munro Block discussion October (see action list)

5.7. Update on Christmas Parade (Allen Grainger)

13 December 1800 is planned for the 2019 Pokeno Christmas plan.

Allen is completing the documentation required by Council.

Lots of interest expressed early.

Funding request will be submitted to council. Allen stated that they hope to reduce the float fee to encourage wider engagement.

5.8. Street Naming (3 monthly report)

Some names have been approved

5.9. Councillor's Report Verbal

Cr Henderson discussed the damaged handrail on the rail handrail and is following it up. Crs Henderson and Church are attending a meeting tomorrow to find out more about waste water stage 3.

5.10. Committee Reports Verbal

Doug reported on the Community Patrol. Two members, Pat and Jim Bergersen retired from the patrol. The Patrol are continuing to fundraise to keep this asset viable. Doug reminded the committee about security leading up to Christmas. The meet and greet is going well. With communal food sharing and the surplus going into the food store

5.11. General Business

Update from Ric Odom: Woolworths submission from Committee in support for the supermarket build process:

- Concerns raised around the impact of the community and existing shopping/businesses, during construction.
- The angled parking will be removed during STAGE 2 construction. This will have a significant impact on existing businesses.
- Woolworths stated they would provide 10 parallel carparks for public during the build process (potentially during STAGE 2). This proposal will require a road safety audit. Concerns around the safe alighting from vehicles parked here.
- The other area of concern was the traffic flow to the truck stop, which already impact traffic flow through the main street.
- Concern raised around the poor engagement with the planning sessions that have previously been held in the community, which has repeatedly voiced the above points.

Question raised by community member about where the strategic plan can be seen. Feedback given about the community main street plan journey, and the frustration experienced in attempting to gain a concrete Council Pokeno Strategic Plan.

Member of the Community has raised concerns about multiple large trucks and/or trailers parking on Hillpark Drive. These are parked by residents who leave them there overnight when going home. Requested Council to investigate, an appropriate response to remove this hazard.

Concern raised by Doug about horses defecating on footpaths around Pokeno, asked Cr Henderson if any actions can be taken to manage this situatuon

ACTION LIST

- Regular updates from WDC and WRC ref the public transport plan and corridor spatial work (see 5.1).
- Parking Spaces be provided to enable appropriate use of the Bus services being provided.
- Clive to confirm the community rubbish contract will include the WATERFALL rubbish bin that is being installed (listed in works and issues).
- Flooding under the motorway needs to be directed by the community to NZTA
- Tangible information and base concept/plan of Munro recreation area to be presented in October meeting.
- Council to investigate an appropriate response to remove trucks routinely parking on Hillpark Drive. The community have identified this as a significant hazard.

There being no further business Helen thanked our visitors declared the meeting closed at 20:56. The next meeting to be held on 08 October 2019 at 19:00

Planned Services



Daily return trip Monday to Friday

- Leave Huntly at 9am and return from Pukekohe at 1.30pm
- Travel time 1.5 hours each way
- Enables community connectivity between towns and broader access to essential services and social opportunities
- Implemented January 2019

Planned Services



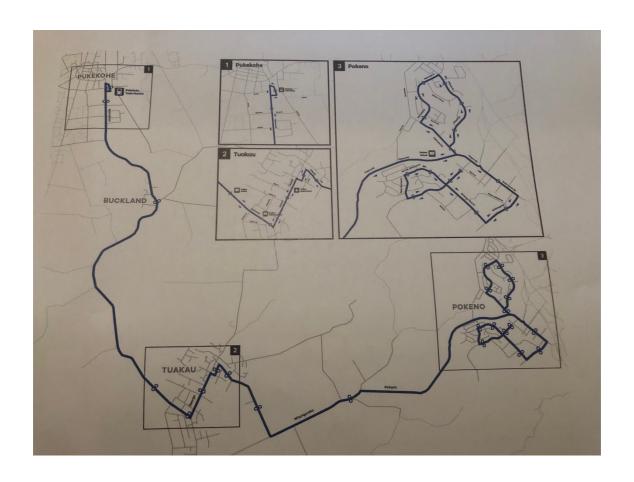
Weekdays

40-min peak and 2 hourly off-peak - 6am to 8pm

Weekends

2 hourly all day - 7am to 8pm

To be implemented July 2020.



Annex B

