



Minutes from *the AGM of the PRRA* held on 5 March 2022 at 3.00 pm via ZOOM

Present:

(Committee of 12, Quorum of 4)

Richard Glover (Chair), Joanne Coupe (Treasurer), Kim Buchan, Kirsty Garrett, Stu Mallasch, Linda Mitchell, Esther Kirk, Carole Forrester.

43 members of the community online.

(Councillors)

John Scrimgeour, Kevin Marsh, Grant Dally, John Holyoake CEO WPBOPDC

1. Apologies:

Leanne Armstrong (Acting Secretary), Neil Carter, Moira McCallum

Esther Kirk welcomed all Zoom participants to the AGM and acknowledged the work of the current Committee and introduced the objectives of the PRRA.

Your 2021 Committee

Richard Glover (Chair), Joanne Coupe (Treasurer), Brenda Brickland & Leanne Armstrong (Secretary),
Esther Kirk, Leanne Armstrong, Linda, Mitchell, Conrad Nagel, Neil Carter,
Carole Forrester, Kirsty Garrett, Kim Buchan, Moira McCallum.



Objectives of our Association

1. To promote a safe and friendly community that cares for the special environment and character of Pukehina Beach (manaaki whenua, manaki tangata, manaaki taiao)
2. To promote awareness and discussion on matters of interest to the Pukehina Community
3. To represent the views of ratepayers and residents to our local councils
4. To assist with the development and provision of excellent community facilities for everyone to enjoy.



Esther acknowledged the support of members \$30 subscription which helps fund the security cameras, bikes on the beach programme, the Community Patrol vehicle, the website, administration costs and also contributes to other community projects.

What your support enables in our community 😊

Annual subscription of \$30 goes towards:

- Running of our community security camera
- Bikes on Beach registration & signage
- Support for the Community Patrol car
- Our Pukehina website www.pukehinabeach.co.nz
- Some administration costs (including fees for the three resource consents we hold)
- Contributions to other small community projects.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou!



2. Approval of 2021 AGM Minutes:

The minutes of the 2021 AGM meeting, having been distributed and read prior to the meeting, were moved, seconded and carried to be a true and accurate record.

Moved: Richard Glover **Seconded:** Linda Mitchell **Carried**

3. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was distributed before the meeting. Joanne acknowledged that Stem Accounting prepared the annual accounts. She noted there has been a drop in paid-up member numbers from 152 last year to 135 to date. However the amount for Fees, Subscriptions and other revenue rose to \$4,890 this year from \$4,620 last year with a surplus of \$1,136. Last year's surplus was \$667.

The everyday account holds an amount of \$6,718 and the Term Deposit \$13,356.
Joanne thanked everyone for the payment of subscriptions.

Moved: Joanne Coupe **Seconded:** Richard Glover **Carried**

4. Chairman's Report

Copy from Richard attached.

5. Overview of objectives of the PBRRA

Current focus areas for the committee are:

Communications:

Linda updated the meeting on how the PRRA communicates with our community.

- Facebook - Linda has been sharing all updates by the Western Bay of Plenty District Council that affect our community on the Pukehina Ratepayers' Facebook page.
- Regular newsletter updates have been emailed to members with particular emphasis on the Coast Care programmes being undertaken on the dunes.
- The Information Board opposite the Pukehina Store displays information pertinent to our community
- The Website which is undergoing an update this year
- Several submissions have been made to Council this year both written and in person.
- New signage for Bikes on the beach, beach access and fire situation have been installed
- A Welcome Pack has been prepared to distribute to new residents

Safety and Security:

- Cameras are functionally well at both ends of the beach and a new light and CCTV camera will be installed at Midway Park.
- The Pukehina Community Patrol are active and working well and would welcome new volunteers to assist in keeping our community safe.

Quad Bikes

The website registration is very effective with 247 registered bikes. New signage has been installed detailing what is expected of quad bikes using our beautiful beach. It was noted that no unlicensed person should drive a quad bike on the road or beach.

Esther thanked to Stu Brickland for maintaining the Bikes on the Beach scheme which was initially set up by the late Rex Cameron. Thanks also to Neil Carter and Ray White Pukehina for their continued support and sponsorship of the scheme.

Coast Care

Esther and Richard outlined the work undertaken in this area and noted that the sand dunes are the backbone of our beach with the planting of native sand-binding plants, spinifex and pingao and weed control important aspects of dune care.

Coast Care continues to be a big focus

- Sand dunes are the backbone of our beaches, they buffer between the land and the sea.
- Healthy dunes are wide, gently sloping and have many dune plants to help anchor them
- At Pukehina we are planting native sand binding plants, spinifex and pingao and controlling weeds
- Order plants now for May/June planting time!



Looking on from the 2020 storm event

- In August 2020 a large storm event took away a lot of sand from two main areas along the beach resulting in significant erosion.
- Previous Committee work established a resource consent through BOPRC for remedial dune works
- Push up and reshaping works have taken place in 2020 & 2021 & are ongoing.



A timeline of the process and actions was shared:

Process and actions

- **Completed first stage in Nov 2020:**
 - **reinstated the eroded dune** in the worst affected areas (71-89, 151-207, 283-329 and 375-381 Pukehina Parade).
 - **Involved pushing up** accumulated sand from below the low tide mark up to the toe of the dune, and re-distributing this to create a sloped frontage.
- **Completed second step in Sept 2021:**
 - **reshaped steep dune faces** in the push-up area, and other areas that had further significant damage in a second storm.
 - completed planting of the reshaped area in Oct/Nov 2021.
 - **8000 plants** were planted in the reshape area and **6000 additional plants** put in at other beachfront properties to continue great planting efforts.
 - Had to put off further push up mahi due to the beach conditions.
- **Moving forward in 2022:**
 - **Complete** push-up in planned area (when the high tide beach is restored to a sufficient width)
 - **Continue** to support Coast Care and everyone who is weeding and planting!



Esther showed slides of the recent erosion and noted that the focus last year had been on reshaping. In July last year, just north of Midway Park some severe erosion occurred where there was a lot of exotic plants and weeds and not much dune planting. Reidfields did a great job of reshaping, removed all the weeds, pushed up some sand and sculpted it then residents did a great job planting up with the help of Coast Care. Good plant growth has been achieved in a very short period.

Further earthworks were scheduled for January this year when Cyclone Cody hit preventing the work to go ahead. The cyclone brought 'long period waves' which didn't cause removal or erosion of sand but we did have accretion on the beach which is the cause of the small high-tide beach at present. A lot of photographs have been taken over the whole process to keep track of the work and how the dunes and plantings are evolving.

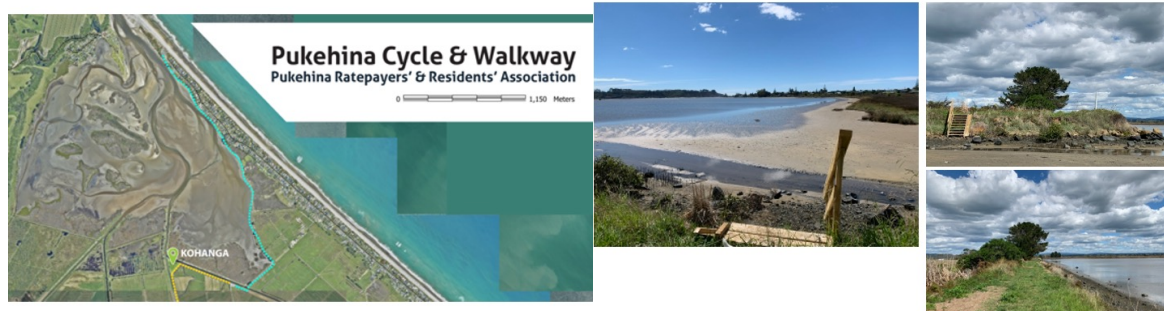


Cycle and Walkway

Esther explained that the PRRA holds a consent to put in a walkway/cycleway. She displayed a slide of an aerial map that was done last year showing the Surf Club at the start with the consented walkway going all the way around the estuary margin; around the wetland area, up onto the stock bank. At present you can access all the way to the Pukehina Stream. We are consented to go across the stream and down to Cutwater Road - an amazing consent that the PRRA hold and a wonderful development.

Esther explained she and Leanne have been attending Cycle and Walkway meetings to keep updated with plans and funding around the district.

A big vote of thanks to Dennis and Kevin on the beach who have built a set of stairs with a bike gutter and installed them to enable easier access to the stock bank path. Also Neil and Rochelle have cleared the gorse and pampas that was along the stock bank. The next task is to complete some of the erosion mitigation works and some of the crumbling wall areas around the estuary from the boat ramp. We also want to erect some markers and signage to identify the route. Currently, it is mostly a low tide route around the wetland and up onto the stock bank and we would like to plant natives all along the stock bank and are currently investigating some funding through an environmental programme. We will also keep abreast of other funding opportunities that arise around the region to look at a bridge across Pukehina Stream or potentially a boardwalk over the wetland area.



Boat Ramp

Acknowledged the completion of the boat ramp in mid-December 2021 which entailed quite a bit of planning and design work with WBOPDC to get this through. There is still a few jobs to complete including signage and reinstate a couple of carparks and grassed areas which Leanne is reminding WBOPDC of. The Committee is aware that the design around the rockwall area of the boat ramp is different to what the community expected so we have given Council feedback around that and will continue to share the community's feedback with Council. The boat ramp functions much better now and has a maintenance programme for cleaning in place so hopefully this will avoid any more bad accidents that have occurred in the past few years.

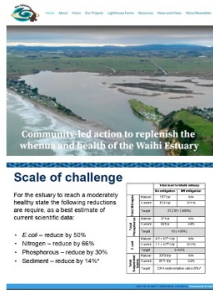
Estuary Erosion

Esther displayed a picture of the estuary erosion which is becoming quite a serious situation along the marginal strip from the Surf Club to Ororoa Reserve and along to 604. The PRRA has completed a Coastal Report with BOP Regional Council and now have some actions and idea of the scope of work that can be done which could be around sand replenishment options or rebuild of some of the crumbling walls. It is still difficult connecting all the parties involved, WBOPDC, BOPRC and DOC and Leanne and Esther are spending a lot of time trying to get all the right people to agree on how the situation should be tackled.

Estuary Water Quality

Estuary – water quality

- A community-led group has been formed out of BOPRC's initial Pongakawa-Waitahanui Catchment Group called 'Wai Kōkōpu Incorporated' to help restore the mauri of the estuary
- Little Waihi estuary is in a poor degraded health state. They have sourced funding and are working with landowners to make significant changes in the catchment
- For us in Pukehina it's about:
 - Ensuring our septic tank systems are cleaned every 2-3 years and upgraded with new builds
 - Helping with riparian and wetland planting days
 - Ensuring stormwater is clean, and drains are cleaned/sufficient (WBOPDC)



In Pukehina it means we need to communicate to all residents that our septic systems require cleaning out every 2-3 years and upgraded with new builds. There are opportunities for the community to help with planting on riparian wetland planting days. In terms of WBOPDC mahi, they need to ensure that the stormwater drains are well functioning and clean and the system at Pukehina is sufficient.

Parks and Reserves

The PRRA have made a submission to the WBOPDC's Long Term Plan to obtain funding for additional facilities at Midway Park. Hopefully residents will have seen the large signs that have gone up at Midway Park and seen notices that have come from WBOPDC regarding the consultation round that is now open. Esther encouraged residents to share their thoughts, go along to the open day and see what ideas are being put forward. There are a lot of new families with kids who have moved out to Pukehina and are keen to see a pump track at Midway Park. There are also a lot of keen gardeners who would welcome the addition of a community garden.

Esther noted that Kim has organised a set of bike stands to be located outside each of the shop areas on the Parade so kids on the school buses can bike and lock up their bikes for the day and jump on the school bus.

Esther advised that \$1500 has been obtained through Council's Matching Fund to go towards funding a Community Garden.

Infrastructure & Services

- Richard Glover noted that the footpath has finally been completed in Costello Crescent making life much easier for a gentleman who relies on a mobility scooter to move around more easily. Thanks to Leanne for her persistence with this.
- Richard advised that the Committee has provided submitted feedback to WBOPDC on the change of day for the new kerbside pickup but haven't had any response as yet. Council did advise that they would revisit how the service was operating after a 12 month period which will be around July this year.
- The Committee has requested regular cleanouts of the stormwater drain near Gardiner Place and the estuary outlets have been maintained better in recent times.
- The Committee has also lodged concern about the speed of cars and motorbikes along the Parade. He noted that it is up to anyone who sees this happening to lodge a complaint with the Police. (Richard said Council but sure this isn't their problem)
- A meeting was held in December with a representative from the NZTA to look at relocation of the gravel pit and generally clear up but we haven't been able to achieve a result with our request as yet but intend to keep chasing this up. There are several members of the community interested in the road speed, and what this area looks like who are keen to form a sub-group to help out with this project.

Hall Update

Esther introduced Kirsty Garrett who is project managing the remedial work required on the Community Hall in order that it may reopen.

Kirsty advised that though it may look like nothing has been happening with the hall, much has been going on in the background, including a huge number of meetings that have been held with Council to confirm what requirements are necessary to obtain a *Certificate of*

Public Use for the Hall. Council are now very much on board with the idea of reopening the hall and have provided a lot of help to Kirsty and her team. Kirsty also wanted to acknowledge her team of Kim, Neil and Stu who have been amazingly supportive. Kirsty made a special mention and thanks to new team member, Stu Mallasch, who has been extremely helpful on this project to date.

Kirsty reflected that at the AGM last year, the Committee was still in the process of being able to retain the hall for our community but can now advise that working with Council on the public consultation, we have actually done that now. Kirsty also acknowledged and thanked the previous hall committee who donated an amount of over \$10,000 which went towards some of the testing that was required to confirm the remedial requirements on the hall.

A new Fire and Accessibility Report has been completed by a Fire Engineer which itemises the requirements that need to be put in place to comply with regulations. We are currently obtaining quotations to upgrade to a Level 4 system which is a requirement for the hall's CPU.

Kirsty's team have negotiated with Council and signed a new lease for the Hall.

Kirsty noted the Committee has secured a builder to complete the works required on the Hall. She mentioned that it has been difficult securing the professionals required to complete work, particularly the Structural Engineer. Several have committed to the work only to let us down at the last minute. Kirsty advised that building materials have been difficult to source due to shortages and one in particular has been fire-rated gib board. The hall requires quite a substantial amount to be fixed underneath the mezzanine floor to satisfy fire regulations. The exterior door handles and locks have been completed.

Kirsty advised they are pursuing funding options that will become available to us once firm quotes have been obtained.

Kirsty explained that with a project like the Community Hall, certain steps have to be followed, the first being the signoff by a Structural Engineer on the structural integrity of the building. Obtaining the services of the Engineer has been the most difficult hurdle to overcome however there has been a new offer from an Engineer who we expect to engage within the next few weeks.

Kirsty has also recently spoken to Council about the big hole from the drain on the footpath just outside the eastern side of the hall. Council has agreed to look into and rectify this situation.

Kirsty thanked everyone who has contributed and helped with the Hall to date and also the offers of help going forward. We are all looking forward to seeing the hall up and running as a community venue once again.

Esther acknowledged the huge amount of work by Kirsty and her team to date on the hall project.

Resource Consents held by the PRRA

Resource Consents our Association hold

1. 67403: Cycle/walkway development (along estuary from Surf club to Cut Water Road)
2. 6815-LC.01: Dune replenishment
3. 40138.0.01: Construct and maintain a replacement seawall on the Western side of Pukehina Spit, Little Waihi Estuary (a historical consent)



Esther reminded the meeting of the three (3) Resource Consents currently held by the Association and explained that member subscriptions go towards the cost of maintaining these consents and keeping them current. She acknowledged the work of past committees in obtaining these Consents for the community's benefit and noted that other Ratepayer Committees around the country are looking at the work done here.

Roles and Responsibilities

A reminder of who is responsible for the various systems in place in our community.

Being clear on the roles & responsibilities of other organisations in our area

Western BOP District Council are responsible for:

- Infrastructure (pipes, footpaths, roads)
- Parks, playgrounds and boat ramp
- Wai/water – stormwater, drinking water, wastewater
- Bus and library services
- Rubbish dumping, graffiti, Kerbside rubbish and recycling
- Blocked public toilets or drains
- Stray/problem dogs
- Beach accesses/walkways

If you spot a problem in our community with any of the above call Western Bay of Plenty District Council on (07) 571 8008 and submit a "Service Request".
Alternately you can submit via their website or the Antenno App.



Being clear on the roles & responsibilities of other organisations in our area

Bay of Plenty Regional Council are responsible for:

- Environment (air, land, freshwater, geothermal, coastal resources and biodiversity)
- Coast Care
- Water quality –lakes, rivers and estuaries
- Pest plants and animals
- Maritime regulation (boating safety and harbour rules)
- Pollution Hotline - call on **0800 884 883**

You are also able to submit your service request to BOPRC via the App 'Antenno'



Being clear on the roles & responsibilities of other organisations in our area

Department of Conservation:

- Government agency charged with conserving New Zealand's natural and historic heritage
- Manage key areas of conservation land
- In our area a key focus is on biodiversity and wildlife refuges (wetlands and estuary area), and coastal areas



Presentation by the WBOPDC CEO and Councillors

Richard Glover welcomed the WBOPDC CEO and Councillors to the AGM and then introduced John Scrimgeour, the Deputy Mayor to address the meeting.

John noted it was disappointing not to be meeting in person and noted that the past 14 months since the last AGM has been a challenging time for everyone. Council meetings have continued both in person and online as the situation required. He noted that one thing Council has worked particularly hard to ensure was that essential services, in particular, water and wastewater services have been able to continue uninterrupted. This hasn't always been an easy task with the difficulty in keeping a full complement of staff. John noted that this time of year Council prepares the Annual Plan and likened the Plan to a budget where Council works out what they expect to earn through the year and how it will spend that money. Next week Council will meet to consider a Draft Plan that will go out for consultation this coming week. It contains a recommendation for an average rate increase of 3.96%. He stressed the 'average' which is in line which was forecast in the Long Term Plan. John noted they had reached the same point several years ago when Covid struck and in spite of all the uncertainty, there was still huge numbers of requests for additional funding.

Part of the consultation process this year will include talking to Pukehina residents about the Development Fund and the options around continuation or ceasing of that fund or alternatives.

Also out for consultation is the Draft Reserves Management Plan which will run for the next month. This timeframe is likely to extend due to the difficulties of getting together to talk with people and discuss the plan. John encouraged anyone with an interest in the Reserves at Pukehina or across the whole Te Puke Ward in general to express their views to Council or the PRRA who will refer them onto Council. John reminded the meeting that this Plan was only looked at every 9 years so it will be a while before it will be looked at again.

The District Plan is also currently under review which Council is required to do every 10 years. It has been made more complicated this time with an associated review of Local Government and Government reforms to the RMA and other matters. John noted that if anyone holds a view on anything they think should be considered then it's timely to put those forward to Council.

John noted that both he and Kevin enjoyed working with the PRRA Committee and paid tribute to Kevin's longevity in his role at Council and noted that he was always been diligent in attending to the concerns and interests of the citizens of Pukehina. John wished Kevin all the best and thanked him for his contribution.

Richard Glover thanked John Scrimgeour and introduced Councillor Kevin Marsh who advised that he has been with Council for 21 years when Graham Weld was the Mayor who tasked Kevin with going down to Pukehina Ratepayers' Association to look after their interests. He noted he has attended 21 AGMs as well as the regular monthly meetings and has worked with many different committees over the years but made special mention of the

dedicated and hard working members of the Committee over the past several years. He singled Kirsty out for mention for her work on the Hall Project and noted there was \$200,000 in Council funds to put toward the necessary work.

Kevin noted that when he started on Council 21 years ago there was only a very small section of footpath and at that time Brian North was also on Council and together they achieved the completion of the footpath right down to the Surf Club. Kevin noted that it has been a privilege to work with the Pukehina community and noted how much has changed in the 50 years he has lived in the area with sections here selling for \$250 and now achieving upwards of \$3M. Kevin is convinced that within the next 10-20 years, Pukehina will have a sewage system and it is something that you as a community will have to look at how it will work and how it will be funded.

Kevin wished the PRRA Committee all the best and noted he would always be around to provide help and advice. He thanked the Chairman, Richard Glover, for what the Committee has done over the past few years and noted it had been a privilege to work with you all.

Richard thanked Kevin for his contribution to the Committee meetings and noted that there are a few more meetings where his input will be valued and invited him to come along to any future meetings. Richard then introduced John Holyoake, the new CEO of the WBOPDC.

John noted that unlike Kevin, he has been with Council for about 5 minutes and done nothing for Pukehina but has been out here a few months' ago and met with several of the Committee members. He noted that he knows Pukehina very well as his father once lived here on the beach. John advised that he has been CEO at the Council for about 7 or 8 months and still getting up to speed with things and noted he looked forward to getting to know the PRRA and community better and looks forward to working with us in the future.

Richard thanked John and noted that he and the PRRA Committee looked forward to working together.

Election of Committee Members

Positions of Chairman, Treasurer:

- Richard re-stood for Chair unopposed
- Jo Coupe re-stood for Treasurer unopposed

Richard called for any nominations from the floor to the Committee, and the role of Secretary:

- *Kim Buchan* nominated **Debra Paget** to the role of Secretary on the Committee. Richard asked Debra if she accepted to which she replied in the affirmative and was looking forward to the role. Richard seconded.
- Richard advised that all the current committee members would be re-standing apart from Conrad Nagel.
- *Richard* nominated **Stu Mallasch** to the Committee

Richard advised that it is possible to call on additional people to join the Committee throughout the year and asked if anyone knew of someone who may be interested to contact a member of the committee for further details.

Nominations received:	Chair:	Richard Glover
	Treasurer:	Joanne Coupe
	Secretary:	Debra Paget
	Committee:	Esther Kirk
		Leanne Armstrong
		Neil Carter
		Kirsty Garrett
		Stu Mallasch

It was proposed that the Committee nominations be accepted. **Proposed:** Richard Glover
Seconded: Kirsty Garrett

GENERAL BUSINESS

Targeted Rates


Esther advised that currently the Pukehina have 3 targeted rates that are collected on our behalf by WBOPDC:

- *Pukehina Beach Coastal Charge* which supports the RC that we hold to mitigate the effects of erosion and working towards creating healthy dunes along the beach. If you live on the estuary side of the Parade you are charged the inland rate of \$8.18 and if you are on the beachfront, the amount is \$47.45.
- *Pukehina Development Fund* which the PRRA have held for a number of years to subsidise the cost of connection to a sewage system if it came to our area. This rate amount is \$20.
- *Community Centre* charge is \$6.50 for insurance and there will be a further amount of \$30 which will appear on our rates for a year or so to cover the repairs to the community hall.

At previous AGMs

Targeted Rates

- At past AMG's we have voted Y/N on the continuation of two of our targeted rates.
- This has been an indication to Council of community support for these rates continuing or not. NB this has just been PRRA members & not wider community.
- Any changes to current rates must go through formal consultation process.
- At the AGM in 2021 PRRA members voted:
 - 1) Coast Care Fund: 50 yes continue, 6 stop.
 - 2) Pukehina Development Fund: 33 continue, 23 stop.
 - * We also asked about WBOPDC conducting a viability report (23 for, 33 against) and, WBOPDC conducting a formal community consultation (46 for and 6 against).
- Following these results we requested a full community consultation in the WBOPDC LtP process re the Pukehina Development Rate, and spoke at a Council meeting regarding options for this.



Esther made reference to the fact that the numbers collected only reflected the views of members of the Association not the whole community. With only 180 -200 members and around 900 houses at the beach, Esther noted that if any changes are to be made to the targeted rates they must go through a formal consultation process which will include all the ratepayers of Pukehina not just those who are members of the PRRA.

Last year at the AGM, the Committee pulled together some information around the Coastal Charge and the Development Fund to share with people the history of how the rates initially came about, what they were for and where we were at currently.

In terms of the Coastal Charge, 50 people said 'YES' to continue with 6 saying 'Stop'
Development Fund - 33 'YES' and 23 'Stop'.

Esther commented that at the AGM last year the Association asked WBOPDC to conduct a viability report of whether it is likely a sewage scheme would eventually come to Pukehina or not. A lively discussion was held with the majority of members opposed to this due to the cost that such a report would incur. The members were also asked whether they agreed with WBOPDC conducting a more formal community consultation about the rate and there was overwhelming support for this.

Following last year's AGM, the PRRA put a submission forward to the WBOPDC Long Term Plan Process along with other things such as the Walkway/Cycleway and Midway Park consultation. Since then the committee have gone along to a Council meeting and spoken about the different options.

We can now report that there will be a community consultation about the Development Fund with Council writing to all ratepayers about the continuation of this rate and sharing with them the purpose of the consultation and the process. Consultation will open on the 21 March through until 21 April 2022 and there is also a 'drop-in' event at Midway Park on the 2 April and this will be in conjunction with the Midway Park Reserves Plan as well. This will be an opportunity for the community to go along and share their thoughts with Council about both things - the targeted rate and the Midway Park plan.

In terms of the Community Consultation, we understand from Council that the following options will be included:

- Continue to pay
- Pause the rate
- Stop the rate
- Repurpose to another reason (e.g. recreation and community amenities)

More information around the options will be uploaded onto our website so members are able to further understand the background to this rate, as well as further community consultation.

With the *Continue to Pay* option, we continue to pay \$20 into the fund and if we ever do get a scheme in Pukehina that fund would then be appropriated to each property and would go towards a partial cost of connection fee to the scheme.

Under *Pause the Rate* option this is mainly due to the uncertainty at the moment around reforms and legislation based around 3-Waters and water reforms. Some people are concerned what would happen to our rate and accumulated funds if the 3-Waters went ahead. The rate must be used for the original purpose it was intended. We cannot repurpose the current fund of around \$500,000 for another purpose - it must be used for the purpose it was intended.

Stop the Rate option means that we could stop the current rate and the accumulated funds would stay in a fund with WBOPDC and then we would look to start another fund for another purpose and thoughts have been around community amenities and recreation.

Pukehina Surf Rescue President, Boyd Harris was to have presented an update on where they are currently at with their new surf club premises and also to thank the community for their support of the New Year's Day collection and the street party, but has been unable to make it due to an event currently in progress. Esther gave a big shout out to Boyd and his team from Pukehina Surf Rescue.

Road Speeds / Road Condition

Richard advised that the Association has been looking at getting more road signs and noted that it is up to everyone to report speeding cars to the Police.

Richard noted that there are holes appearing again all along the tarmac and urged members to let the Committee know if they have a problem area so the details can be forwarded to Council.

Questions

Esther noted that through the chat function on Zoom that Alf Rose had thanked the committee for the extra patrols over Christmas and Esther acknowledged Leanne Armstrong who had done a lot of work with Rameka and through the Antenna App to make this happen.

Richard thanked the Pukehina Community Patrol for their efforts and also noted that they are in need of more volunteers to come onboard and help out.

Debra Paget noted that there are a lot more permanent residents living in Pukehina now and one of the concerns is the road being widened to cope with the amount of cycling that occurs along the Parade and the danger with so many kids on the road and wondered if that was something Council could look into. John Holyoake (CEO, WBOPDC) responded that Council could definitely look at the situation and start discussions with the community but is not in the current plan.

Meeting closed:

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.20 pm.

The next meeting of the PRRA Committee will be on Monday 14 March 2022 at 7pm. The Fishing Club