



COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Explore Pahiatua Incorporated Society meeting held at The Black Stump, Main Street, Pahiatua on Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at 7.00pm.

1. Present

Committee Members: Louise Powick (Chair), Fiona Stokes (Secretary), John Arends, Rhys Punler, Ingrid de Graaf

Members of the Public: Cr Raylene Treder, Cr Alison Franklin, Stan Wolland, Karolyn Donald

2. Apologies

2.1 Gerry Parker (Treasurer)

3. Conflicts of Interest

3.1 Nil

3.2 A register is to be created of members identified conflicts.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

4.1 Harvard slide update

5. Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 That the minutes of the Explore Pahiatua meeting held on 6th October 2021 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

John Arends / Fiona Stokes

Carried

6. Matters Arising

6.1 Town Entrance Signage - Pahiatua Marae

Jordan Bennett has indicated the Marae is still discussing the town entrance signage. There is no indication when a decision will be made.

6.2 Pahiatua Fishing Carnival

This event has been cancelled due to COVID-19 alert level restrictions. The discretionary grant has not been paid so they will re-apply next year.

6.3 Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency Traffic Counter / Explore Pahiatua Signage

Mayor Tracey Collis has been in communication with Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency regarding the traffic counter and will continue to follow up that matter.

Louise Powick continues to follow up Explore Pahiatua signage with Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency.

6.4 Ben Luders Attending the Community Committee Meeting

Cr Shirley Hull has spoken with Ben Luders and Louise Powick will follow up when he will be attending a meeting.

7. Tararua District Council Report

7.1 The Three Waters reform has been mandated and Council is looking into avenues for moving forward. Mayor Tracey Collis has written to Government regarding community consultation.

Kainga Ora have made an acknowledgement of the lack of social housing in the district. An application has been made to Kainga Ora for housing development in Pahiatua.

Council will be contracting Solutions to carry out building inspections for consents.

Council will need to repair damage at the weir by the river.

7.2 That the report of the Tararua District Council meeting held on 27th October 2021 (as circulated) be received.

John Arends / Rhys Punler

Carried

8. Correspondence

- Letter from Bush Multisport Trust thanking the committee for the transfer of the Wheel Park funds

- Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency registration for the community vehicle
- Email from Kerry Hocquard - Smokefree 2025 Action Plan

8.1 That the inwards correspondence be received.

Louise Powick

Carried

9. Financial Report

9.1 Invoices to Pay

Sandra Bradley (Youth Centre)	\$2160.00
Rocketspark	\$458.85

9.2 That the financial report is received, and accounts approved for payment.

Fiona Stokes / Rhys Punler

Carried

10. Gumboot Friday

10.1 Fiona Stokes gave feedback on the organisation of the Gumboot Friday event to be held at Bush Multisport complex this Friday.

Discussion occurred around how to adhere to the COVID-19 alert level 2 protocols.

11. Portfolio Reports

11.1 Main Street Upgrade

Louise Powick has spoken to Joel at Managh about Christmas lighting in the town centre.

On 22nd November at 10.00am Trevor Mallard is to gift a big New Zealand flag for the Pahiatua upgrade for the Sedcole flagpole. Louise is to look into getting a bigger Explore Pahiatua flag to match the size.

Following up the storyboards and donations board which are still to be erected.

11.2 Pahiatua Districts Business Group

Ingrid de Graaf reported on a meeting held on 12th October. The next business group meeting is next Tuesday.

A plan has been made to start recruiting members and the marketing programme is prepped for when things are up and running.

Explore Christmas discussion is ongoing with the business group. At the next meeting they will discuss the Christmas window competition.

Ingrid gave a presentation of the expenses for the committee's consideration. Marketing and promotion and incorporation fees are approximately \$3000.

That Explore Pahiatua approve the purchase of bunting for the Pahiatua Districts Business Group.

Louise Powick

Carried

11.3 Carnival Park

Karolyn Donald reported on this morning's Zoom meeting with Peter Lindstrom and two Department of Conservation representatives. There has been clarification of insurance coverage concerns and liabilities.

Karolyn has suggested, and is happy to provide oversight, starting with a small group of workers at the park to establish a safety-first culture. Department of Conservation being present on-site will provide expert support and guidance.

The community agreement was signed.

A subcommittee is to be set up and report to Explore Pahiatua for approval of works and any expenditure.

That Karolyn Donald is co-opted on to Explore Pahiatua Incorporated and will hold the portfolio for Carnival Park.

Louise Powick

Carried

There has been a meeting in the park with Horizons Regional Council and others regarding weed control and removing one line of pines. There are concerns around exposure of the bush if these are removed.

11.4 Explore Christmas

Fiona Stokes reported back on the Explore Christmas meeting held on 27th October.

Discussions were held around COVID-19 alert level restrictions and how this will affect the event.

That the committee move to cancel the Explore Christmas event due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Louise Powick / John Arends

Carried

Discussion was held around alternative Christmas events for the town.

Louise Powick, Rhys Punler and Fiona Stokes are to attend the next business group meeting to discuss this matter further.

11.5 Swimming Pool

Working on a draft business case.

12. Items Not on the Agenda

- 12.1** Harvard Plane - John Arends reported that a frame has been built for the slide and is ready to be sandblasted. The original frame needs maintenance.

The meeting closed at 9.19pm.

Chairperson - Louise Powick