

GRAFTON RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

PRESENT: B Farmer, J Callaghan, M Dunlop K Orr R
Leckinger O Duncan G Frost D Northcott
APOLOGIES: K Osborne C Gillet B Lack L McLeay R Armitage
START TIME:: 7.08pm
CHAired BY: R Leckinger
MINUTED BY: D Northcott

DATE: 09 July 2018
END TIME: 8:18pm

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION	
		INITIALS	DATE
1.0	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING		
	Key decisions Accepted DN/RL		
	Actions		
2.0	CORRESPONDENCE		
	Key facts 1. Auckland Transport (AT) say delay of 3-4 weeks to start of Grafton Residential parking Scheme, due to install of parking meters. So signs are up but no actual policing yet, consider it a soft opening.		
	Actions		
3.0	PARKING PERMITS (UPDATE)		
	Key decisions 1. Scheme will go fully live 02 August. Approx. 150/260 Grafton parking permits have been issued to eligible applicants Grafton's annual cycle will now begin 02 August (resident parking permits are issued for a year from this date - refer to AT website for full details https://at.govt.nz/driving-parking/parking-permits/resident-parking-permits/)		
	Actions 1. All residents with coupons are warned don't waste coupons until new start date of 02 Aug 2. Watch out for the letter AT should send to all participating residents (those who have paid for a permit to park, and those who have applied for coupons)		
4.0	WAITEMATA AND GULF WARD BOUNDARIES		
	Key decisions Discussion re this Ward which is seriously oversize in terms of representatives: constituents. Our Ward's current rep is Councillor Mike Lee. Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 precludes easy fix of increasing the number of ward councillors. Several suggestions have been advanced - in them Grafton remains in the Ward but Newmarket and Parnell may not. Discussion about our communities of interest, our inability to influence an outcome and should we ask Richard Northey - currently acting chair of WLB - to better inform us? No decision made		

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5.0	FINANCIALS		
	Key decisions Verbal report given by R Leckinger 1. Grafton Community Garden money is clearly identified in the funds 2. Currently 11 households are members 3. 2 unrepresented cheques - one for necessary repayment to Auckland Council of unused Quick Grants application funding		
	Actions 1. RL to follow unrepresented cheque with Auckland Council and report to August GRA committee and general meetings 2. Libby McLeay to search for her cheque	RL LM	By 28 July
6.0	GENERAL BUSINESS		
	<p>1. Grafton Community Garden report from O Duncan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 regular gardeners • Sunday mornings from 9.30am (Winter hours of action) • The site is locked at other times • Open to all who are keen - either turn up Sundays 9.30am or contact via Facebook Grafton Community Garden • Need to replace rotting timber on the garden beds, so seeking suitable untreated timber and building help <p>2. Predator/ Pest Free Grafton</p> <p>Keen for this to advance - it would be part of both a national and Auckland Council cause. Lots of local examples exist - too find out more AC https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/environment/what-we-do-to-help-environment/our-biodiversity-projects/Pages/pest-free-auckland-2050.aspx</p> <p>3. Grafton Heritage matters - report from DN on recent community heritage forum offered by Heritage NZ. A key message was knowledge of our communities heritage assets -knowledge that is researched, verified, documented and sharable</p> <p>4. Grafton Heritage Walk, led by Christiane Pracht again offered (twice) as part of Auckland Heritage Festival 30 Sept - 14 October 2018. Can we repeat the Grafton Spring lunch at Hum after one walk?</p>	DN	
	Actions 1. RL to ask Waste? If they have timber suitable for the garden beds 2. DN Discuss Spring lunch with Christiane Pracht and Rosy Armitage.	RL DN	unspecified

Next Meeting - Monday 13 August 2018
Liberal Catholic Church reception hall