

**Ashford Park Quarry Community Liaison Group**  
**Minutes of meeting held in War Memorial hall supper room on 2 April 2019 at 6pm**

**Present:**

Residents: Janet Macdonald (JM), Campbell Andrews (CA), Carolyn Jolley (CJ), Denis Harnett (DH), Andreas Paxie (AP), Shelly Warwick (SW), Max Lutz (FOTOR and WCB), Bev Norris (BN)

GBC Winstone: Josua Grobler (JG) Matt George (new Regional Manager) MG, Wiremu Adams (WA)

KCDC: Paul Busing (PB), Chris Papps (CP)

GWRC: Colin Munn (CM)

Facilitator and minute scribe: Di Buchan (DB)

**Apologies:** Tiana Morgans, Mike and Barbara Francis, Derek Kelly and Simon Hunt and Hannah Snow (GWRC)

**Welcome to new members:** Bev Norris a new resident in Te Roto road and Matt George the new regional manager replacing Douglas Nell were welcomed to their first CLG meeting.

**Minutes of meeting held on 17 May 2018**

The minutes were confirmed.

**Matters arising**

The location and connections for the **shared walkway** associated with the new bridge thought to be sorted before the end of last year are not yet decided. KCDC is awaiting the report with recommendations from NZTA. KCDC is awaiting this decision as the relocation of the paper road will be decided once these alignments are determined.

**Demolition of the house** formally occupied by Ian Clayton-Bray has not yet been carried out. Fletchers is dealing with this. AP requested that it be noted in the minutes that the removal was intended to be undertaken at least a year ago.

**Signage for dog owners using the Eastern walkway** is not yet in place. The division of KCDC responsible for this is currently redesigning their signs. In the meantime members reiterated that the signs should state that dogs should be on a leash and owners should remove their dog's excrement. KCDC noted that the signs would be about removing dog excrement and noted that it was private land. Members were reminded that problem dogs should be reported to KCDC

**Matters Discussed**

**Winstones' Progress Report**

1. Health and Safety Plan

The Health and Safety Plan has now been completed and accepted by KCDC.

2. Weed and grass control

There was some discussion around the proposed schedule for mowing the bunds. It was accepted that mowing was to some extent weather dependent but when the ground was unsuitable for heavy machinery weed-eaters could be used. It was also agreed that mowing

would need to be more frequent during growing seasons and therefore a degree of flexibility was required rather than stipulating that mowing be done at pre-determined intervals such as “every 4 months”.

### 3. Progress on excavation and rehabilitation

Area 1B is now completed and Winstones is moving into area 2A. It is estimated that it will take about 8 months to complete the stripping of this area.

1A is now being rehabilitated. So far 2,500 trees have been planted on the stop-bank. Rehabilitating the whole of the Stage 2 area is programmed for 3-4 years but JG was hoping to complete this in a shorter timeframe although the programme is subject to annual budget allocations.

It is likely there will be topsoil in excess of what is required for the rehab work and as previously proposed, any excess will go to FOTOR. PB noted that the conditions of consent required all top soil to remain on site so this will require a change to the relevant consent condition set at the hearing.

JG and PB undertook to check the timing of when rehabilitation work is required to be activated including both planting and maintenance.

AP congratulated Winstones on the preparation of the spray plan noting that this has been requested for the past two years and it was good to see that it was finally delivered and well presented.

### 4. Eurofin's report of bore water testing

DH queried a result in Eurofin's bore-water monitoring report which showed a slight contamination in the bore on the Paxie property. AP noted that this may have come from a diesel spill on his property. JG undertook to ask Eurofin to check these results and advise whether they are significant.

### 5. Quarry management

JG advised that he was moving to Palmerston North to take up a new position for Winstones and his replacement as quarry manager at Otaki has not yet been advertised. MG estimated that it could be 8 months before a replacement quarry manager was in place. In the meantime MG will be attending the CLG meetings and if necessary, JG can also attend.

### 6. Paper Road survey

JG agreed to provide AP with a copy of the Lucas survey of the paper road that passes through the Ashford Park area.

### 7. Eastern Walkway carpark

As requested at the previous meeting Winstones' had installed a security camera at the entrance to the walkway to record the number of cars parking at the end of Te Roto Road in order to use the walkway. The maximum number of cars recorded was 2 at any one time. DH thought the timing of the recordings would not have given an accurate measure of the usual summer traffic as there tended to be less people using the walkway over the holiday period. There was some discussion about the need for a further set of recordings to verify the accuracy

of the December/January data. However in the end it was agreed that what was needed was a simple off-road parking area which would stop and congestion at the end of the road and avoid the berm being torn up by vehicles when the ground is soft.

JG said this could be done in a few hours but he needed permission from the council to undertake this work. PB undertook to get that permission as soon as possible so that JG could get the work done before he took up his new appointment.

#### 8. Winstones' contribution to Otaki community

ML, on behalf of the Otaki community, thanked Winstones for their generous contributions to Otaki activities including the waka ama, model yacht event, canoe polo, long-distance swimming event as well as their support of the restoration work on the river surrounds undertaken by FOTOR.

### **KCDC Compliance Report**

#### 1. Reporting in accordance with consent conditions

PB noted that in general compliance with conditions was much improved. However, a number of reports required by the conditions of consent had not been provided in recent times if at all.

These were noted as:

- i. Complaints received – report to be provided to the CLG meeting and included in their annual report from Winstones and that all complaints should be responded to in writing.
- ii. Compliance with the reporting timetable should be provided on the website
- iii. Record of the amounts of gravel extracted by month and including a table of truck movements per day based on quarry entry and exit movements.

AP reminded the meeting that at a much earlier meeting it was agreed that this information would be augmented by the number of tonnes extracted. JG thought this could be calculated by dividing the quantity of gravel extracted from the site by 36 as that is the usual weight of tonnage per truckload.

#### 2. TOR for CLG

PB drew the members' attention to the TOR that had been agreed for the group. There has been a significant change in membership since the first meetings and it was important that everyone understood what the role of the group was. The main activities were to provide input to plans and strategies, provide a forum for the consent holder to update on progress and monitoring. The CLG is expected to be forward looking and seek the best outcomes for the project and the community.

The TOR set out a standard list of items to be included in agendas CLG meetings but the members thought the current structure was appropriate and so there was no need to change it other than to add "Complaints Report" as an item. Copies of the TOR were handed out to the members for future reference.

There being no further business, DB on behalf of the members thanked Josua for his constructive and pro-active input over the short time he had been the quarry representative on the group. The group looked forward to having a similar relationship with Matt until Josua's replacement has been appointed.

**Next Meeting**

The date for the next meeting was set **for 11 July 2019 at 6pm at the Otaki War Memorial Hall** supper room. DB to organise the hall booking.

**A Compliance report from KCDC and a Progress Report from GBC Winstone to be provided to Di by 5 July for circulation to members.**