

## Minutes of a meeting of the Otaki and Ashford Park Community Liaison Group

Held at the Otaki Racecourse meeting room at 6pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June

### Present

Resident Representatives- Janet Macdonald, Denis Harnett, Andreas Paxie, Paul David and Campbell Andrews

Otaki Maori Racing Club – Darin Balcombe and Doug Logan

Friends of the Otaki River – Trevor Wylie and Max Lutz

GBC Winstone – Ashton Ulu

KCDC – Richard Hopkins

GWRC – Colin Munn

Peter Wilson – facilitator and minute scribe

### Apologies

Tiana Morgans, Derek Kelly, Shane Hagai, Douglas Nel and Rob Kofoed

### Quorum

As representatives of both Winstones and Residents were present the Facilitator confirmed a quorum was present.

### Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May-

Andreas Paxie expressed his concern that the minutes were not sufficiently detailed and specifically did not reflect the substantive discussions related to the input to the site plan and other matters.

The Facilitator noted that minutes should record the outcome of discussion not the verbatim. The Facilitator suggested that as residents wished to ensure there was a written record, each of Mr Paxie, KCDC and GWRC would forward copies of their respective submissions to Group members and copies would be appended to the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> May meeting.

It was further noted that the wording in paragraph 4 on page 2 needed to be changed to “The Group noted that Winstone’s were to take account of the further submissions prior to the lodgement of the consent application”.

### Action Items from the 10<sup>th</sup> May meeting

The meeting noted the schedule provided.

The matters for consideration under note 3 were dealt with under the GWRC Winstones report.

## Report from GWR Winstones and associated matters raised by Residents-

The Site Plan and Planting Plan have both been consented by KCDC.

**Pest Management-** It was suggested that the Site Plan didn't detail planning for this work and while a letter tabled gave some insight, more specific information was to be sought that evidenced active management of all pests and the degree of urgency given the commencement of work on the site.

**Compliance / Complaints –** It was also noted that the Plan didn't detail the mechanism for recording and managing obligations under consent conditions and dealing with complaints.

Residents wanted to ensure there was clarity on both these issues.

### Pest Management-

Residents questioned what had been done over the last 6 months and while noting the tabled advice that a contractor had been engaged wanted to know what was to happen and when. Residents had doubts over what had been undertaken to date and asked the Facilitator to urgently contact Winstones to request a report that outlined specific arrangements and timing.

(This matter was attended to on 15<sup>th</sup> June and an assurance has been received from Dan Macgregor that he will report to all Group members as a matter of urgency)

The Facilitator noted that effective pest management outcomes would benefit from neighbours adopting a similar practice on their own properties. Friends of the Otaki River representatives said they had spent \$2000 on predator traps to be located adjacent to the site.

### Compliance-

KCDC confirmed that they would be dealing with all matters relating to consent conditions as a matter of course. A site inspection had been undertaken on 14<sup>th</sup> June and following a request from residents KCDC would check on the fencing requirements that needed to be completed prior to extraction commencing.

### Complaints-

Residents had previously expressed concern that complaint management and reporting needed to be coordinated by KCDC and Winstones and that this information needed to be shared. The meeting was assured that this would occur and a report would be available for circulation a week before meeting dates that identified the complaint and the actions taken.

Winstones further report (Ashton Ulu)

1. The Eastern walkway has been formed and fencing of the walkway is to commence in the week of 21<sup>st</sup> June.
2. The noise bund will be finished by the end of the current week.
3. Excavation had unearthed some bones that were later found to be from cattle.
4. The wind monitor had been erected and the link would be posted on the Winstone website for those wishing to access the data.
5. Notices had been erected around areas where machinery is operating on bund development and first stage extraction sites.

6. Further signage would be placed on completion of the walkway formation.
7. Note would be taken of the resident request for information on the operation of the existing quarry. Ashton mentioned some material is being used for the Transmission Gully project but the major supply would come from other quarries.
8. It was expected that the Peka Peka to Otaki scheme would be the major use for Ashford resource.
9. Fencing of the Paper Road was yet to be undertaken.

#### General Business-

A question was asked as to the intended development of the lake edges and on the expected clarity of the water once settled. It was explained that material for establishing the edge area was available on site and first stage work would provide a guide on the optimal solution. GWRC intend to engage with Winstones over the next 2 or 3 months to further consider rehabilitation work. Water was expected to become clear given the movement of the aquifer in the area.

GWRC reported that they were awaiting an engineering report on the constructed crossing before consideration of the consent to the stop bank crossing could be undertaken.

Signage for the river walkway could proceed and be added to once the walkway and access protocols had been agreed. Residents are interested to understand how walkway access is to be managed.

There has been damage the roadside area from vehicle parking and KCDC was to review and consider what may be done to remedy.

#### Winstone Representation

Concern was expressed that no senior representatives were present and that while Ashton's presence was appreciated, the requests for information to properly inform the meeting were not able to be provided. This had been the case at the previous meeting and was frustrating the consultative process.

The Facilitator was asked to convey the meetings concern and stress that senior representation be present for the next meeting. The Facilitator suggested that it would be timely for the first draft of the Annual Plan be presented at the next meeting as residents quite properly wanted better visibility of what was to happen and when, in order to be able to provide input.

(A discussion has been had on 15<sup>th</sup> June and Dan Macgregor has undertaken to be present at the next meeting, to ensure the first draft of an Annual Plan is available for discussion. The date of the meeting will targeted around the 6 week's timeframe requested)

#### Next Meeting

Date to be advised.