

MEETING OF THE:	Waihi Community Forum
MEETING DATE:	Thursday 21st March 2019
VENUE:	ACCOUNTING FOR SUCCESS
TIME STARTED:	10.30am
TIME FINISHED:	11.45pm
MEMBERS:	Belinda Burke, Bhavesh Ranchhod, Max McLean, Ernani de Ocampo Kit Wilson, Mike Hayden, Anne Marie Spicer, Donna Fisher
INVITED:	Joyce Taylor, WCF Coordinator
FILE REF:	WCFM2019-03-21

1. APOLOGIES RECEIVED

Mike Hayden, Max McLean, Kit Wilson

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 2.1 Confirmation of the minutes from the meeting of 14th February 2019, Ref. # WCFMOM2019-02-14
BR/EdC Confirmed the minutes as read are accepted true and correct.

3.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 OceanaGold update:

Gave an update to Rex Project residents at a meeting at the Baptist Church – well attended.
Held the 6 monthly Correnso Community Meeting.

Hosted residents from the North Wall area on 4 separate tours of the open pit and the road realignment on Bulltown and Cambridge Road.

Consulted with several Iwi groups, Government Departments and Councils regarding exploration work at Wharekirauponga in the Parakiwai Valley.

Assisting in the organisation of Christchurch Terror Attack Community Gathering to be held this Friday 22 March at the Tunnellers Memorial at 6pm.

Hosting pre 1952 Miners (4) to Waihi tomorrow – tour, train ride and lunch at the Waikino Station.
OceanaGold are the major sponsors of Beach Hop this year.

- 4.2 Future Coverage Area for WCF – Project Martha area.
Information/content required for a written proposal to OceanaGold Waihi now the survey has closed.

5.0 **STREETS AHEAD**

5.1 Streets Ahead Projects:

Suggestion of Waihi Heritage buildings in the East visits and tours.
Mike is still collating information and will report back at a future meeting.

5.2 Basketball Court: Sports n Action

- The Forum to discuss the possibility of further funding for Morgan Park now the basketball hoops have been installed. Some suggestions are: shelter, shade area, water, seats, timer for lighting, picnic/BBQ area.

RESOLVED

Suggestion: The Forum could fund a water fountain and look further into lighting. Explore external funding towards further development. It would be good to put up a sponsorship sign at the park stating the Forum funded the basketball hoops.

Suggestion: having a board with the rules, safety and general information on how to keep the area clean and tidy.

Suggestion: a mural could be placed and painted by the local children.

Action: Joyce to email Max with suggestions and see what he can assist with.

- 5.3 Mike suggested that the Forum purchases a defibrillator. There are several defibrillators in town but not in the outer Waihi area. Perhaps we could place one at Waihi East School.
The Forum criteria is to enhance the area and maintain property prices however this could be a good community based purchase for residents in the out of town area.
The cost is \$2500.00-\$3000.00 via St John.
On-going servicing is required for defibrillators; therefore, the recipient would need to cover this cost.

RESOLVED

Action: Joyce to contact St John re purchasing a defibrillator.

Action: Joyce to email Zac the Principal at the School and advise that we would like to gift the machine and cover and the service cost.

Action: Joyce to email to the forum pricing prior to purchase.

Once the defibrillator is in place then the Forum to arrange a press release notifying the community. This could also include information on the Defibrillator Location App for phones and advise of other locations of defibrillators in the Waihi area.

7.0 **MEDIA & WEBSITE**

An article on behalf of the Waihi Community Forum was placed in the Waihi Leader re the Morgan Park Basketball Courts project on 21/03/2019

RESOLVED

Action: Joyce to look at updating the website and logo. Save current information to a stick.

Action: Joyce and Nani to meet and start working on the new website after Easter.

The Forum discuss content for a newsletter re-introducing the WCF.

Action: Discuss at the next meeting.

8.0 **DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Next Meeting: 18th April 2019

Future Meeting: 16th May 2019