

MEETING OF THE:	Waihi Community Forum
MEETING DATE:	Thursday 5th April 2018
VENUE:	Golden Legacy Centre, Waihi
TIME STARTED:	12.00pm
TIME FINISHED:	1.40pm
MEMBERS:	Belinda Burke, Donna Fisher, Max Mclean, Anne Marie Spicer, Mike Hayden, Kit Wilson
INVITED:	Joyce Taylor, WCF Coordinator
FILE REF:	WCFMOM2018-04-05

1. **APOLOGIES RECEIVED**

1.1 None.

2. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

2.1 Confirmation of the minutes from the meeting of 8th February 2018, Ref. # WCFMOM2018-02-08.

RESOLVED

MM/MH Confirmed the minutes as read are accepted true and correct

3. **CORRESPONDENCE**

3.1 Streets Ahead Home Street Front Home Improvement Grant: new applications, invoices and receipts

4. **STREETS AHEAD**

4.1 Streets Ahead Project Updates:

- Home Improvement Grant

Street Front Home Improvements – 24 applicants have not sent receipts.

Discuss whether to follow up with a phone call to see if they have started their project or to file as not completed..

RESOLVED

Action: Joyce to phone and follow up with applicants

- Cherry Blossom:

Cherry Blossom Festival Society – update if any further correspondence.

RESOLVED

The Society will apply for funding when the trees arrive in Waihi.

5. **IRP / PROPERTY PURCHASE**

5.1 IRP Terms of Reference

Currently with Waihi Gold Legal team – update when further correspondence received.

- 5.1 The Forum to discuss when to start the process for a new IRP.

RESOLVED

Action: Wait for the outcome of OceanaGold's consent application.

- 5.3 Property Divestment Strategy

The Forum would like an update from OceanaGold Waihi on how the property divestment strategy is at present.

RESOLVED

Action: Kit to report back

- 5.4 WCF Future Area Coverage

The Forum to write to Bernie O'Leary (OceanaGold) and John Tedgida (HDC) to enquire as to the potential for an increased area for the Forum to cover should consent be given for further mining in the Waihi area.

RESOLVED

Action: Anne Marie and Bindy to write a letter

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 6.1 OceanaGold update

April 2018

Project Martha

OceanaGold will shortly apply for resource consent for a new project which we have called Project Martha.

The project has two parts:

- A layback of the Martha north wall, removal of the slip material and construction of a new haul road.
- An underground mine mainly below the Martha open pit which will be accessed from the existing Favona portal. A small orebody called Rex is located below residential properties around Mueller Street and Gilmour Streets north of Kenny Street.

At this time, we estimate the project life will be 11 years. Mining of the Rex orebody will occur during approximately three of those years.

A wide range of consents will be required to construct and operate the various parts of Project Martha. OceanaGold will apply for these consents within the next few months. Members of the public will have the opportunity to make submissions during this consent process.

The company will be proposing that consent conditions similar to those which apply to the Correnso underground mine and our previous operations in the Martha open pit could apply.

Prior to the consent application being lodged, OceanaGold will provide a range of technical information in hard copy and on our website for members of the public. We will also run information sessions for residents in the project and surrounding areas.

AEP

Final figure for AEP payments for July – December 2017 was \$ 257,252.58 paid to 272 properties.

Correnso/SUPA six-monthly meeting

Meeting was held on 15 March at 4:00pm at the Education Centre and was attended by 27 residents.

- 6.2 GST Return. – Report back to The Forum after contacting OceanaGold Accountants.

RESOLVED

Action: Donna to follow up

- 6.3 Overseas Investment Amendment Bill

Consent conditions will hopefully carry over or else OceanaGold will need to source another legal way to purchase houses should this come into force.

RESOLVED

Action: No further action at present

7 MEDIA & WEBSITE

- 7.1 Facebook and Website update

Discuss ideas for new information and how to make the Website more interesting now the Streets Ahead Project is finished.

Action: To be discussed at the next meeting

7 DATES FOR NEXT MEETINGS

Next Meeting: 10th May 2018 at 10.30am

Future Meeting: 14th June 2018 at 10.30am