# Omāroro Community Reference Group Minutes

**Meeting took place Executive Suite, Gate A, Massey Wallace Street, 6.00pm, Thursday 16 July 2020**

Meeting opened at 6.00pm

**Attendees**

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| **Ex-officio members**   * Jane Black (Chair) * Dan Ormond (Community Liaison Person) | **Community Representatives**   * John Bishop * Steve Cromb * Mary Hutchinson * Peter Cooke * Victor Anderlini * Judy Hutt * Frieda Harper * Carol Comber * Alex Gray * David Lloyd * Carl Savage | **Representatives**   * Richard Hickman (Beca) * Bec Ramsay (WCC) * Bob Barber (WCC) * Gareth Penhale (WWL) * Russell Obee (HEB) * James Lake (HEB) * Arne Ganseman (BPC) |

**Apologies**

Eleanor Laban, Emma Paisley, Peter Grazier, Suze Beard, Jane Loughnan

**Minutes and matters arising from previous meeting (11 June 2020)**

The minutes were received and there were no matters arising not covered on the Agenda.

Jane welcomed everyone to the first physical meeting since the lockdown.

**Omāroro Reservoir Pipelines Update**

Arne provided an update on the pipelines project.

* Wallace Street has been reopened and the diversion removed from Wright Street
* Work is now focussed on the stormwater work at the botton of Rolleston Street and across Wallace Street. About six weeks work. Work has started with the replacement of the manhole by Massey. During the work there will be stop-go in operation between 9am – 4pm.
* Work on reinstating Howard Street garden will be early August
* Finishing work on the Hargreaves/Wright Street chamber will start next week and take approximately one week
* Work to remove more of the remaining tempory line markings on Wright Street will start Monday
* Arne thanked everyone for their patience and cooperation during the works and in particular during the diversion. He noted that despite the Lockdown work on Wallace Street was still completed roughly within the original timeframe.

Jane asked if there were any questions.

* Steve Cromb raised:

- When will the speed monitoring signs be removed on Wright Street? (Arne noted WCC has been asked to remove them and it was on their list)

* Will Westland Road entry be returned to the original layout? (Arne noted that WCC had asked for it to stay as it was. Steve said he had received concerns from two residents about it now being unsafe. Richard agreed to pass the feedback onto WCC)
* When will the temporary lines be removed from Wright Street? (Arne said starting Monday 20 July)
* When will the bump in Wallace Street be removed? (Arne said while the work programme had not been confirmed it was likely to be week starting 27July)
* Mary H about the leaking lateral outside 34 Wright Street. Richard agreed to raise with WWL Operations Team.
* Peter Cooke thanked all the contractors on behalf of Mt Cook Mobilised and the wider Mt Cook residents for the work they have done and the way they have gone about it.
* Richard also thanked the Contractors, council stakeholders and the CRG on behalf of Wellington Water and acknowledged that the project had been challenging and that this was further compounded by COVID –19.

**Omāroro Reservoir Update**

Jane introduced James Lake (Project Manager) and Russell Obee (Contractors Community Lisison Person) to the Group.

* **Blessing** Dan noted that the project blessing was likely to be at 6.30am on 30th July. This is still to be confirmed. CRG members and the wider community are welcome to attend. It will take place on the site of the Reservoir by the bench. It will be followed by tea & coffee at Massey
* **Minor Consent Changes** Richard noted that these had now been approved by GWRC and WCC and the decision reports posted on the project website
* **Hargreaves Street to Papawai Terrace track** Richard noted that the final layout had been agreed in consultation with community representatives. Work to start on Monday 20th with the aim of having work completed before the start of the Reservoir construction. The work also needs to align with the WCC curb and channel work.

Jane asked if there were any questions.

* Mary asked about offset planting as part of the minor consent changes. Richard noted that there is additional riparian planting to the Waitangi tributary as part of the conditions. Mary noted she still felt there should be further offsetting as the loss of any length of open urban stream is significant
* Mary also asked if Kylie Hook had organised the aborist to look at the trees that need protecting or removal as part of the curb and channel work. Richard agreed to follow up with Kylie and WCC
* Carl asked about when the Dorking Road emergency access work was planned. James noted it was likely to be towards the end of the project (more than 2 years).

**Omāroro Reservoir Construction Update (HEB)**

James provided an update on the construction project.

* **Management Plans** 76 comments or questions had been received from CRG and the community. HEB was in the process of working through each of the comments and would be responding to each of them. These responses will then be incorporated into the Management Plans submitted to WCC for their approval. The comments and questions and responses will also be provided to the CRG, the individual submitters and posted to the website.
* **Management Plans Process going forward.** Richard explained that the the draft plans would be finalised following the feedback and would be submitted to GWRC and WCC for their final approval and certification. These final plans will be posted to the website once approved. WCC and GWRC have 20 working days to respond once the plans have been submitted.
* **Current works**. James outlined that over the next two weeks work would take place to create the lizard habitat (including the removal of gorse) and sampling of the playing field surface. WCC has agreed that these works can be completed before the finalisation of the LEMP.
* **Mobilisation** James explained that the first works following the approval of the management plans will be the removal of the pine trees – likely to be late August. Following this the site compound will be established on the Upper Field and the site fencing built. The fencing is likely to be finished October.

The sediment management training is scheduled for 30th September and James reiterated the invitation for CRG members to attend this

A community BBQ and meet the contractor session will be held once the site office/compound has been completed – likely October. This will be prior to the major earthworks.

Jane asked if there were any questions.

* Alex asked when the excavation was likely to start. November at the earliest
* Bec asked if their was a opportunity for training of the contractors staff on the ecology of the area. James agreed this was a good idea and that there was ongoing opportunities for a range of training for staff.

**Kāinga Ora**

Peter Cooke asked what work was being done to coordinate with Kāinga Ora. Richard explained that we would be organising for the two contractors to meet to share work programmes and develop communications to work together.

**Next Meeting**

6.00pm, August 26 2020 – at the Executive Seminar Suite, Massey University. Note this is a Wednesday

**Meeting closed at 7.05pm.**