# Omāroro Community Reference Group Minutes

**Meeting took place Executive Suite, Gate A, Massey Wallace Street, 6.00pm, Thursday 11 August 2022**

Meeting opened at 6.00pm

**Attendees**

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| **Ex-officio members** * Jane Black (Chair)
* Dan Ormond (Community Liaison Person)
 | **Community Representatives** * Peter Cooke
* Mary Hutchinson
* Colin Taylor
* Carol Comber
* Judy Hutt
* Victor Anderlini
* Frank Cook
 | **Representatives*** Bob Barber (WCC)
* Kate Brown (WCC)
* Paul Reid (HEB)
* Russell Obee (HEB)
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**Apologies**

Gareth Penhale(WWL), Richard Hickman (Beca)

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Jane apologised that she would need to leave the meeting at 7pm due to a prior commitment, if the meeting was still continuing Dan would take over as chair. Frank noted he needed to leave at 6.30pm.

**Notice of General Business**

Kate and Bob asked that parking be added to the Agenda.

**Minutes and matters arising from previous meeting (25 May 2022)**

The minutes were received.

**Contractor Update**

Paul R provided an update of progress since the last meeting:

• Successfully poured the second half of the roof, so work has started on the removal of the form work and scaffold

• Pipework now complete for the Bell Road connection

• Fish capture and sediment removal from the Papawai Stream complete

• Ramp up to pipe tunnel and wing walls for the tunnel installed.

Upcomming works

• Installing ringbeam around perimenter of the roof

• Continue with installing the mechanical and electrical components into the pipe tunnel

• Waterproofing added to the roof of the reservoir

• Starting back filling around the pipe tunnel and the reservoir. This will use the

 stockpile on the lower field. The excess fill will be removed from site.

It is expected that the first fill of the reservoir will be done in September. This will then be drained as part of the commissioning process.

Paul raised the issue of the use of truck and trailer units on Rolleston Street for the removal of fill. From a traffic management perspective a trial has shown it is possible, but the hours would need to be restricted due to congestion on Wallace Street. Carol noted that she observed the trial and felt that the truck was going too fast. The group discussed the concept and agreed that the improved efficiency and reduced time taken would be a benefit so there was no objection. Russell explained the next step would be to consult more widely with Rolleston Street residents through a letter drop.

Judy asked if the contractor had been appointed for the fill removal, Paul explained they were still to make an appointment.

**Papawai Stream Works**

Mary expressed the devastation felt by the PSG at the sediment removal work and the impact on the stream. She noted that she believed the stream would now be considered a highly degraded stream due to the work and expressed her concern that GWRC had approved the consent and allowed the work to be undertaken. Mary asked CRG members for their opinion on the works, Judy agreed that the work had left the stream highly degraded. Peter noted that the work was necessary due to the sedimentation that had occurred.

Mary asked for a copy of the Habitat Improvement Plan, Paul agreed to send through. She also asked that the hydroseed mix contain no pesticides and not to be done on the inside of the channel. Paul agreed to check with the project ecologists.

Carol left at 6.50pm.

Mary asked for the minutes to be made available so she could send to GWRC to demonstrate the community’s concerns

Jane left 7.00pm.

Colin left 7.05pm.

**General Business**

Judy provided a presentation on her experience as a close neighbour to the construction site and the personal impact that the noise, vibration and dust had had on her. She also raised her concern that when issues have been raised through the CRG, such as the garage removal, that WCC had not listened. Dan explained the role of the CRG and that WCC had to consider the feedback from CRG but this was just one of its considerations in making a final decision.

Victor asked for the minutes to note he said about feeling that he’s been betrayed by representatives of Wellington Water, Wellington City Council and Beca over representations made in regard to the removal of the garage at the top of Rolleston Street.

**Parking**

Kate provided an update on the PSR review of parking in the Town Belt. She explained this was wider than just Rolleston Street. There would be further community consultation, Peter offer Mt Cook Mobilised as a possible channel/forum.

Bob outlined that he had raised concerns about trades people illegally parking in Rolleston Street and explained that Parking Enforcement Officers had been actively issuing tickets in the area. Between July 4-21 54 tickets had been issued and 2 vehicles towed.

**Next Meeting**

* Thursday 10 November (the location and format would be determined closer to the time when the COVID restrictions are known but it is likely to be at the HEB Site Office).

**Meeting closed at 7.39pm**