# Omāroro Community Reference Group Minutes

**Meeting took place Omāroro Site Compound, Top of Hargreaves Street, Wellington**

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 * Carol Comber * John Bishop * Victoria Lamb * Mary Hutchinson * Frieda Harper | **Representatives**   * Bob Barber (WCC) * Kate Brown (WCC) * Paora Tukapua (HEB) * Paul Reid (HEB) * Russell Obee (HEB) * Richard Hickman (Beca) |

Meeting started with a site visit to the Reservoir location and an informal discussion about the progress and the next steps.

**Meeting started 6.35pm**

**Apologies**

Gareth Penhale, James Lake, Judy Hutt, Victor Anderlini

**Minutes and matters arising from previous meeting (12 August 2021)**

The minutes were received.

**General Business**

Mary asked for an update on the Papawai Stream Study. Kate explained that the option paper had been done and she had met with GWRC. There is a meeting scheduled for Monday (15 November) with Mary, Francis, WCC, GWRC and WWL to look at the options. This will allow Kate to develop a draft report and recommendations before Christmas. She explained that there were two parts to address:

* Immediate issue of sediment buildup and the impact that has on the worksite and the potential impact on the reinstated sports field.
* Long-term management – this includes how to manage the catchment and preventing the future build up of sediment. This will include some of the issues with private laterals feeding into the stream. This long-term work is likely to require additional funding outside of this project.

Carol asked when was the last time the sediment in the stream was cleared. Kate said five years ago, but also noted the resource consent to allow this had now expired and there would need to be new consents.

Mary asked about carbon management and mitigation from the project:

* Paul explained that HEB was looking to transition to hybrid vehicles and plant where this was possible
* Dan explained that HEB report on the carbon footprint of the project on a monthly basis as part of the project reporting. The project would look to make this information available to the CRG.

Mary asked if WWL was offsetting any of the carbon. Dan explained that as the project is for WCC (managed by WWL) any responsibility for offsetting would be for the Council to consider.

Peter ask about the progress against budget and timeline. Richard explained that the project was on budget and the timeline. But there are still COVID uncertainties.

Frieda asked about the seismic resilience of the Reservoir. Richard resonded that it is designed and built to the highest seismic importance level and would be one of the strongest structures in Wellington.

Mary noted that despite the construction activity and recent flooding native fish had been seen in the Papawai Stream.

**Agreed Meeting dates for 2022 are:**

**-** 10 February 2022

- 12 May 2022

- 11 August 2022

- 10 November 2022

Discussion was held as to whether to hold the February meeting onsite. It was agreed that it would be (Mary asked for the meeting to include a look at the Papawai Stream). It was noted that holding it onsite may mean Victor and Judy would be unable to attend.

**Meeting closed at 7.00pm**