

**FRIENDS OF BANKS PENINSULA MINUTES - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Saturday 30th October 2021, 4:00pm - Trinity Church Hall, Rue Lavaud**

Chair for meeting: Deputy Chair Jan Cook ✓

Present: Sue Church, Dianne Carson, Fiona Turner, Jan Cook, Suky Thompson, Brent Martin, Averil Parthonnaud, Geraldine Guillemot-Peacock, John Baker, Kevin Scalley, Kevin Parthonnaud (part), Gavin Shepherd

Apologies: Ad Sintenie, Hollie Hollander, Hugh Wilson, Kathleen Liberty, Doug Neil, Craig Church, Bryan and Nancy Tichborne, Renan and Joey Cataloutti, David Brailsford, Ben Navarron and Flore Mas.
(Accepted Jan C/Suky T)

Minutes of 2020 AGM: Read and unanimously approved (Jan C/Fiona T)

Matters Arising: Update on the old closed landfills around the Peninsula - CCC's Grant Gillard is in charge of the project and Jan has sourced a site inspection report. General issues noted are leachate, contaminants and risk of sea level rise.

Chairman's Report: Attached – Accepted (Jan C/Sue C)

Financial: 2021 financial statement read and approved (Gavin S/Brent M)

- Annual financial report
 - General a/c \$52.15
 - Grehan Valley Wasp a/c \$1,021.74
 - 00 a/c \$2,356.00
 - Wastewater a/c \$1,601.69
 - SRB Trust Fund - \$196.25
- Honorary Auditor – It was agreed that an Honorary Auditor would not be appointed for the following financial year.
- Annual subscriptions - It was agreed to continue with the current subscription fee of \$10 individual \$15 family. (We have 29 family and 12 individual memberships) - Jan C/Fiona T
- It was agreed that if we need to hire experts for the next stage of the wastewater campaign we will need to fundraise again.
- Accounts to approve: (Approved Sue C/ Suky T)

Account	Date	Pay	Amount	Reason
00 account	30/10/20	Pavitt Family Trust	\$215.00	Reimbursement to Pavitt Family Trust - Eventfinda ticket sales - Heritage Festival
Wastewater fund	11/12/20	Wildcraft films	\$750.00	Video production
Wastewater fund	23/12/20	Claire Bennett	\$1,380.00	PR consultant
001 General account	23/12/20	Domains 4 Less	\$33.29	Domain Names
00 account	4/2/21	Page Lawson	\$213.51	Reimbursement - Wix web hosting
00 account	5/3/21	Domains 4 Less	\$94.04	Domain Names
00 account	5/3/21	M J Hernandez	\$200.00	Boatshed Hire - Sea Week
Grehan Valley Wasp fund	8/4/21	Hollie Hollander	\$158.80	Wasp powder and photocopying

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Correspondence: All correspondence received by email and attended to by the Secretary.

Election of Officers and Committee: The following people were nominated as officers and committee members and were unanimously appointed: (Suky T/Brent M)

Current Officers and Committee:

Chair - Kevin Parthonnaud

Deputy Chair - Jan Cook

Secretary - Sue Church

Treasurer - Gavin Shepherd

Committee - Suky Thompson, Brent Martin, Averil Parthonnaud, Julian Calcutt, Steve Carswell, Flore Mas, Geraldine Guillemot-Peacock, Brent Schultz

General Business:

- Grehan Valley Wasp Control update – report submitted by Hollie Hollander – attached
- Wastewater Steering Committee update – report submitted by Sue Church – attached
 - The question was raised about the role Three Waters reform may play in the future. It is currently uncertain how this will impact the scheme.
 - Resource Consent Hearing – the approved scheme relies on untried and experimental technology. The Council appear to have no backup plan – request the retention of the harbour outfall at Takapūneke as an emergency backup.
 - Frustrations were voiced that none of the Councils designs or plans aids Akaroa’s drinking water supply.
 - The CCC is committed to the approved scheme. The community can push CCC to get agreement on improvements and mitigation measures as part of the Resource Consent application and can push further through the formal consent process. CCC will have to provide rigorous evidence that its scheme will function safely and there is still potential for the scheme to become invalidated through some technical issue/failure.
 - It was agreed that we need to be exploring and lining up expert advice now.
- Regenerate Subcommittee Update - report submitted by Averil Parthonnaud – attached

Any other business:

- To be recorded - Approved by committee via email - August 2021 - FOBP supported Akaroa & Bays Forum's Community Board deputation requesting CCC retain a Service Centre in Akaroa and relocate it to the old Post Office building, with the long term goal to see this building set up as a Community Hub.
- To be recorded - Approved by committee via email - September 2021 - FOBP and Regenerate supported LRWCT in their funding application for a part time coordinator to be employed to set up a carpooling scheme in the area. (email approved by Geraldine, Suky, Averil, Kevin, Sue, Jan)
- FOBP agreed to provide representation for the new Akaroa and Bays Forum group. Sue Church, Averil Parthonnaud and Geraldine Guillemot-Peacock have been attending meetings. Jan Cook is happy to fill in as an alternate if needed.
- Funds for Regenerate - **Motion** – ‘That \$500 is allocated to ‘Regenerate’ to assist with funding their own various projects. Regenerate must keep a record of transactions and report to FOBP annually’ (Sue C/Suky T – approved unanimously)

Meeting closed – 5:03pm

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Chair Report – Kevin Parthonnaud – Friends of Banks Peninsula AGM – 30 October 2021

Welcome everyone and thank-you for coming.

For those who are new:

FRIENDS of Banks Peninsula was established in 1990 to protect and enhance the environmental heritage of Banks Peninsula and safe-guard the environment for future generations. Over the years our work has gained the organisation recognition from Councils and Government agencies and we have become an established part of the environmental information network.

We have several sub committees - the Akaroa wastewater steering committee, The Grehan Valley Wasp control group and Regenerate Banks Peninsula - a group which focuses on organising local inspirational events, surveys and actions days.

What a year... With the world changing overnight - you would have thought things could maybe go a bit slower and we could have time to reset with a more holistic regenerative view for the future... Unfortunately for most of us, things seem to be going at warp speed and the whole year has flashed before our eyes. But In saying that things are still seem to be getting done with all our hard-working passionate sub committees dedicating all their volunteer hours to the community and the environment.

Grehan Valley Wasp report for 2020/2021 season: Hollie Hollander

There were a total of 11 nests killed this season – 1 in January, 2 in February and 8 in March.

Summary of the season is that there were considerably less wasps around compared to previous years. This is most likely related to the weather in patterns in spring time. It may also show that the programme in the Valley is working. Usually wasps fly no further than 200 metres, and we are killing all the nests within this range.

Wastewater Steering Committee Update – FOBP AGM – 2021 – Sue Church

Council are working to complete a resource consent application for the scheme by March next year. This will include irrigation of wastewater to native plantings on the flat Church land in Takamatua, Hammond Point and the Thacker land in Robinsons Bay. The Community Reference group is pushing to ensure the wastewater will be treated to a high standard, that as much nitrogen is removed as possible, with extra UV treatment as well.

I&I repairs on the broken wastewater pipe network in Akaroa are underway. I&I investigations revealed an issue at the drinking water plant where backwash and rententate from its infiltration system is being released into the wastewater system, possibly accounting for up to 50% of the I&I issue. This quantity could be as high as 10-15% of the drinking water supply. We need to ensure the pipe repairs are still thoroughly worked on so Akaroa is not left with a broken pipe network – which compounds the need for a larger wastewater storage capacity.

33.9ha of the Thacker site is planned for irrigation and the Council have purchased the property. Several large Kliptanks are being proposed much higher up on the property instead of a storage dam. Kliptanks can be of a

'mix and match' sizing of up to 44m in diameter and up to 6m high. Covered Kliptanks will remove many risks and concerns associated with a large, open earth dam.

We need to ensure protection of the waterways and Bay, and also the Heritage features on the Thacker site. Nitrogen levels are still a concern for the long term viability of the scheme, as well as the types of plantings used to ensure the required tree canopy rain intercept level is achieved.

Purple pipe re-use is being planned as part of the scheme, initially to water public parks in Akaroa.

FOBP submitted to the Water Services Bill about how necessary changes in legislation were to ensure the reuse of treated wastewater long term. Our oral submission to the hearing panel was well received, with several relevant questions being asked of us. There have also been three deputations made to the Community Board this year.

FOBP continues to take an active role in the wastewater issue, with the wastewater steering committee meeting and reporting regularly. Its members are: Lee Robinson, Jan Cook, Brent Martin, Suky Thompson, Kevin Parthonnaud, Averil Parthonnaud, Chris Moore and Sue Church

Regenerate sub-committee report for 2021 AGM – Averil Parthonnaud

Marine Environment: Sea-Week (March 2021)

- The penguin survey movie/doc made by "Blue Cradle" was screened at the Antarctic Centre during Sea-Week. Later in Akaroa. Nice movie about community and local conservation efforts.
- 11th of March: Local stories of ocean adventures: Marie Hayley, Steve Bradley, Katrina Perano, Ben Navarron... It was very inspiring.
- 13th of March: Scientist Panel talk - round 2: Jesu, Lindsey, Will, Liz Sloten... - Both events were held at the Boat Shed, koha entrance.
- The team went to see "One Ocean" - a series of inspiring short movies about the ocean and in particular issues in the ocean: plastic, overfishing...

Plastic issues: Plastic free July campaign

- **DIY posts on Regenerate FB page during July:** Geraldine, Robyn, Flore, everyone
- **Survey Plastic free shared with community:** Flore Mas - *Survey was posted on Akaroa Buy Sell & Exchange and Regenerate FB page. We had 97 respondents. Big majority is concerned by plastic keen and on board with the idea of bulk bin and glass milk bottle.*
- **Meeting at 4 square:** Ave and Gloria - *Meeting 12/07: Positive feedback from John however as a franchise depends on Food Stuff. We need to put pressure on the bigger companies. Bulk bins not a possibility as food tends to go stale/wastage.*
- **Co-op** - *Idea of a Co-op to sell only dried food such as pasta, rice, beans, lentils. John not objecting for a Co-op to be done in the community, as could be an asset for his business too (people will tend to stay in Akaroa instead of going to chch). Didn't go ahead at this stage*
- **Glass milk bottle:** Ave - *4 Square is happy to look into it... The group need to ask local businesses if they are on board too (café, restaurants)*
- **Soft plastic:** *Is it possible to collect locally soft plastic? Gloria to look into it*

Carbon emissions: Car Pooling

After creating a survey shared in the community about the interest in car-pooling the results show that people were willing to reduce their carbon emissions but this was made difficult a range of obstacles but mainly

people's lack of flexibility in their schedule to car-pool. Annelies from Little River has been taking over the problem. (...) we need an update from Annelies.

Chemical spraying

Early this year, Renan and Geraldine (along with Paul from Otanerito Bay) met with Neville Tucker from CCC about glyphosate/spraying. He listened to our concerns...It seems like a lot of efforts have been made to go towards more natural options however the "organic" methods are not very sustainable in term of carbon emissions. Plus there are areas where these methods are hard to use so they "have to" use glyphosate and other chemicals. We suggested that maybe not everything needed to be sprayed (organically or chemically)!

There are still disappointment though about the use of chemicals around streams. The preschool has pointed out many times to the Golf course that it would be nice to look after the streams health as this is also a great learning environment for the tamariki. Unfortunately after some efforts being made, it seems the Golf course was back to using chemical spraying. Golf players don't like looking for their lost golf balls in the long grass....

Biodiversity: Tree planting

Members of Regenerate have been helping out at Stony Bay to plant native trees on Armstrong's farm, over 2 week-ends. Great day out for everyone.

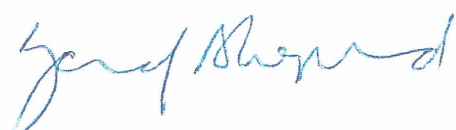
The group has many other ideas like creating a community compost, creating a food forest, set up a Co-op to sell items in bulk, etc

Friends of Banks Peninsula
Income and Expenditure Statement
12 Months Ended 30 September 2021

Opening Bank Balance - 1 October 2020		9,264.87
Income - General		
Donations	440.00	
Interest Received	2.53	
Subscriptions	435.00	877.53
Expenses - General		
Computer Expenses (Domain name)	127.33	
Function Room Hire (Seaweek)	200.00	
Photocopying Costs	19.50	
Wasp Control	139.30	
Website Hosting	213.51	(699.64)
Total - General		177.89
Income - Waste Water Scheme		
Donations		5,880.00
Expenses - Waste Water Scheme		
Advertising - 60 Sec Film, Media PR	2,130.00	
Consultancy Fees - Peer review of WW scheme, WW Tree Trial Report	4,660.38	
Printing Costs	717.05	
Professional Fees - Discussions with QC	2,587.50	(10,094.93)
Total - Waste Water Scheme		(4,214.93)
Closing Bank Balance - 30 September 2021		5,227.83
 Bank Balances Include:		
	as at 30.09.20	as at 30.09.21
BNZ 00 Account - Main Account	2,287.45	2,356.00
BNZ 01 Account - General Account	85.41	52.15
BNZ 02 - Rob Bay Waste Water	5,428.19	1,601.69
BNZ 03 - Grehan Valley Wasp	980.07	1,021.74
Saunders Robinson Brown - Trust Account	483.75	196.25
	9,264.87	5,227.83

The foregoing statement has been submitted to and approved by the members at the Annual General Meeting held

Signed by Treasurer


7 October 2021.