

Minutes of 2019 AGM of Manawa Karioi Society Inc.

held at 1.30pm, Sunday 22 September 2019 at the Island Bay Community Centre

Present: Chris Livesey (Chair), Papri Paul, Alan Perry, Jonothan Boyes, Paul Blaschke, Ross Gardiner, Jerry van Lier, Kevin Thomas, Mary Thomas, Johanna Knox, Tim Owens.

Apologies: Vanessa Patea, Tom Box

1. Minutes of 2018 AGM

Copies of the Minutes of the 2018 AGM were handed round.

Moved (Ross/Paul) that the Minutes of the 2018 AGM be approved as a true and accurate record. **Passed.**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

2. Chairperson's report 2018/19

Copies of Chris' report were handed round and Chris summarised the main points.

The meeting agreed that Chris should prepare a report for the Kōmiti investigating the pros and cons of changing from an Incorporated Society to a Trust.

Moved (Alan/Paul) that the Chairperson's report be accepted. **Passed.**

3. Treasurer's report

Copies of the Annual Accounts 2018-19 were handed out. Chris thanked Papri for preparing the annual accounts and summarised the main points noting that the Society ended the year in a sound financial position due to several fundraising events and receiving two grants.

Chris thanked Papri for her work during the year as Treasurer.

The meeting agreed with Mary's suggestion that in future the annual accounts should present the information from the previous year as well as the current year so that comparisons can be made.

Moved (Chris/Johanna) that the annual accounts for 2018-19 be accepted.
Passed.

4. Annual subscription

Moved (Ross/Tim) that the annual subscription for 2019-20 be \$20. **Passed.**

5. Reporting to Charities Services

Moved (Chris/Ross) that the Society report for the 2018-19 year as a Tier 4 organisation. **Passed.**

6. Election of officers

Chairperson - Chris was nominated (Ross/Tim) and elected.

Secretary – it was noted that the Secretary’s role of taking minutes of meetings is now very minor. It was further noted that the role of keeping members informed about the Society’s activities and issues facing the Society is being done primarily through social media by Vanessa. In the light of this, Vanessa was nominated (Tim/Johanna), in her absence, to be Secretary and elected (subject to her agreement). Kevin indicated that he would be happy to be Secretary if Vanessa declined the position.

Treasurer – Papri was nominated (Chris/Paul) and elected.

Kōmiti – Ross, Tim, Kevin, Mary, Paul and Jerry indicated that they were willing to again serve on the Kōmiti and Johanna indicated that she would be willing to join the Kōmiti. These 7 people, plus Tom (subject to his agreement) were elected.

Kaumātua liaison – Chris said that he was happy to fill this role again and the meeting agreed to this.

7. Planting in 2020

Tim, Johanna, Kevin, Jerry, and Paul will work with Ross to plan planting (where and what) for 2020.

It was agreed that this group should also monitor the success of planting efforts to date.

8. Policy re corporates wanting to offset their carbon emissions

There was cautious support for promoting Manawa Karioi as offering an opportunity for corporates to plant trees to offset their carbon emissions. The caution was mainly around making sure that we didn’t over-sell the opportunity and then find that either we didn’t have sites for the volume of planting requested by the corporates or that there were no planting opportunities left for Manawa

Karioi volunteers. Kevin made the point that there are opportunities other than planting for Manawa Karioi volunteers and it would be a shame to turn away corporate funding and labour for planting in order to keep planting opportunities for Manawa Karioi volunteers.

9. The year ahead

Signage

Chris said that he hoped the new signage at the entrances to Manawa Karioi, on the tracks and in the Information Shelter would be in place by the end of the calendar year.

Community engagement

It was agreed that Manawa Karioi should have a stall at the 'Day in the Bay' (Island Bay Festival) on Sunday 9 February 2020: we will have our banner, the new information panel showing the tracks and the Union Road/time-lapse photos panel. Kevin recalled the great job that Mary did with the plants for the Karma Keg evening and suggested that something similar might be done for the stall.

Chris to ask SEA, Paekawakawa and FOOS whether they want to share the stall with Manawa Karioi.

It was agreed that Manawa Karioi should again hold a Guided Walk a week or two after the 'Day in the Bay'. The Guided Walk should be publicised at the 'Day in the Bay'.

Mary suggested a picnic gathering for Manawa Karioi regular members. A further suggestion was that the picnic and the Guided Walk could be on the same day with the former following on at the end of the latter.

Tim and Mary, with support from Paul, to be responsible for organising the stall, guided walk and picnic.

Weed control

Chris noted that he hoped that later in the year when Peter Russell was back, he could arrange for Manawa Karioi, Tawatawa and Paekawakawa to develop a co-ordinated weed control strategy. It would be good to have WCC Biosecurity involved too.

Karma Keg – round 2

Kevin said that he would like to investigate having another Karma Keg event with Tuatara in the coming year - the meeting agreed that he should do so.

Marae rebuild

The meeting agreed that Chris (and other members of the Kōmiti) should as the occasion arises, speak to Dean (and others of the marae whānau) to see how Manawa Karioi and associated volunteers can support the rebuild of the marae.

Chris thanked everyone for their attendance and the meeting closed at 2.45pm.