

**MINUTES OF THE 125th MEETING OF THE TRELISSICK PARK GROUP held at
KATE, Ngaio on Tuesday 8 May 2007.**

Present: Peter Reimann (Ch.), Dorothy Douglass, Barry Durrant, Olaf John, Kate Mackenzie, Frances Lee (Sec.)

In Attendance: Dianne Stanley (representing Forest & Bird)

Apologies: Steven Peters (WCC), Kevin Jamieson (WCC).

MINUTES The minutes of the meeting of 27 March 2007 were confirmed.

Brochure

Drafts of the brochure prepared by Barry were reviewed. These will be looked at in more detail by Frances and Peter. A meeting with Barry will then be arranged. Barry is to 'make up' a copy of the grant application for the file.

Logo

The 3 options from Stephen Drakeford were examined, without consensus. (After meeting: Kate has arranged for a student friend training in logo design to work on ideas and Deidre is looking at developing Stephen's designs – further review at Deidre's place on 15 May).

Map Boards

- Locations and numbers of map boards still to be resolved after Steven Peters has completed his "traffic" use survey of track usage in the Park. The counters have not yet been installed - being repaired.
- Frances and Peter met with David Halliday on 26 April to review the mapboards.
- Interpretative Board – Magazine buildings: Text sent to David Halliday and no comments received from him. Two photos were agreed and Frances is asking Onslow Historic Society for these to be on a disc.

CORRESPONDENCE: IN

28 March	WCC: request for info. on weedeater
3 April	WCC: DP change on earthworks – comments by 25 may
8 April	St Luke's Church: donation for \$735
10 April	WCC: Otari Management Plan update
13 April	GWRC: Restoration Day booking form
16 April	WCC: DP change Huntleigh Park
26 April	WCC: reply to our submission Otari Management Plan
1 May	Kate Mckenzie: trees for spotees
5 May	S Drakeford – revised Park logo.

CORRESPONDENCE: OUT

9 April	WCC/GWRC: thanks for fish passages
9 April	WCC (J Bussell): details of 2 sites for tree delivery
12 April	Ngaio Progressive Association: thanks for \$100 from our WCC grant
13 April	WCC: info on our weedeater
23 April	St Luke's Church: thanks for donation
26 April	B Sangster: re adjoining private land off Trelissick Crescent
26 April	Tregear/Freeman: re adjoining private land off Hewett Way
5 May	WCC (McCarthy): requesting draft weed implementation plan.

FINANCE

\$100 has been received from Ngaio Progressive Association (which holds our \$2,500 WCC grant) towards administration costs.

Possible uses for Donation (received from St Luke's Church).

- Contracting for sycamore poisoning
- Promoting QEII covenants
- Blackberry and wattle removal from railway land
- Funding new tracks: from Oban Street, Highland Park and link to Otari-Wilton's Bush
- Tradescantia spraying
- Members were asked for their ideas.

Green Ribbon Award application costs

\$50 refund to Peter Reimann for printing agreed.

OTHER ISSUES

GWRC Coordination – Kate Mackenzie has now replaced John Holmes in this role.

Tree Planting.

- All trees provided by Otari (about 1,000), currently held at member's houses are to go to "spottees". Kate has worked out allocations to each.
- The trees for the two railway revegetation sites are from GWRC Take Care funding, purchased from WCC Berhampore.
- The 500 trees for working bee plantings will come from WCC Berhampore. Frances will discuss with Jonathan Bussell delivery arrangements (time/date/places). There are 2 sites: 250 for infill below Hanover Street (delivered to Deidre's place) and 250 for the sprayed patch across the stream above the debris trap (delivery to main Kaiwharawhara valley).
- Kate has had 2 groups to do releasing around the 4 new bridges over the Korimako Stream and planting on the stream-side of the 2nd (downstream) railway revegetation site – the oil company OMV and members from the Youth Council. A further group will do some more planting at the 2nd railway site on 1 June.

Cutting Dead Blackberry Canes. Kevin Jamieson will organise cutting dead blackberry canes from the sprayed patch across the stream above the debris trap prior to volunteer planting – not done yet.

Private Property Issues. Lisa Carruthers (WCC) completed GPS reviews of the location a) of the current track below Ngaio Gorge Road in relation to property and conservation zone boundaries and b) the section of the Northern Walkway which traverses private property near Wightwick's Field. Frances to send the maps to the property owners. She will contact the new owner at 116 Trelissick Crescent to arrange a meeting to discuss the track below Ngaio Gorge Road which passes through the lower part of their property. In all instances, discussions need to be held with the owners over the tracks shown traversing private land on the proposed mapboards and brochure.

Restoration Day. 12 May at Tauherenikau Racecourse near Featherstone – Enquiries: Paula Loader and J Fagan at GWRC.

Huntleigh Park Re-zoning – Boffa Miskell have completed a report "Assessment of Residential Development Potential Huntleigh Park Environs, Ngaio", considering a proposal to rezone part of 11 properties mainly from Rural to Conservation/Outer Residential, which would allow subdivision. We commented last November on earlier WCC papers (as any housing developments affect the catchment of the streams flowing through Trelissick Park). TP Group will comment again as there have been changes. Due date for submissions is Friday 18 May.

Kilmarston Subdivision (Proposed development below Crows Nest, Ngaio). Mediation was held on Friday 20 April: Frank & Noline McGuire, Ngaio Progressive Association and Reinhard Pauls vs WCC. TP Group is one of the supporting participants, concerned with filling in of gullies, fast stormwater run-off and access to skyline ridge via the Crow's Nest. No further progress occurred and the matter will now go to the Environment Court, sometime in September.

WCC Draft Annual Plan. Due date for submissions is Friday 18 May.

WCC District Plan Change – Infill Housing. Due date for submissions is 2 July.

WCC District Plan Change – New policies and Rules for Earthworks. Feedback on a working draft for comment by interested groups is invited by Jonathan Anderson by Friday 25 May (if possible).

Knotweed. Experimental spraying by WCC contractor is ongoing.

Adopt-a-Spot Coordinator Funding. The application for further funding lodged with the Ministry for Environment, this time for a 3-year period, was unsuccessful. Kate's contract will therefore end on 30 June – although there may be some grant money left over to allow this to continue a little longer if she is available. This will not become clear until the final wash-up of the contract at the end of June. Kate is looking at how to ensure subsequent adopt-a-spot self-sustainability, perhaps driven by one of the "spotees".

Web-site. (Not covered at meeting, but needs to be recorded). On 23 April Deidre introduced Kate and Peter to Lindsay Bonnett, the new person to take over up-dating. Kate provided some updates and Peter will provide a news update for when Lindsay returns from overseas on 12 May.

WCC Memorandum of Understanding. Frances will respond to the draft MOU. WCC have now agreed that a designated member of the Group (Peter Reimann) can use the weed-eater.

Pest Implementation Plan. Kevin advised by prior email that the plan is awaiting input from GWRC. (Since the meeting, the draft has been received from Justin McCarthy and circulated to members for comment).

Next meeting: Tuesday 26 June, KATE building, 9.30am.

Next Working Bees- 10, 19 June Hanover Street.