
WAIPA HERITAGE COUNCIL

MINUTES 19 JANUARY 2006

Minutes of a meeting of the Waipa Heritage Council held in Committee Room 1, Waipa District Council Offices, 101 Bank Street, Te Awamutu on Thursday 19 January 2006

1 MEMBERS

Waipa District Councillor, Barbara Taranaki (Chairperson)

His Worship the Mayor, Alan Livingston
Roger Swarbrick – Te Awamutu Museum
Eris Parker – Cambridge Museum/Cambridge Historical Society
Bev Dean – Cambridge Museum/Cambridge Historical Society
Gail Henry – NZ Historic Places Trust
Heather Garrett – NZ Historic Places Trust
Jenny Gainsford – NZ Historic Places Trust/Cambridge Historical Society
Neville Ritchie – Department of Conservation
Sabina Owen – Pirongia Historic Visitor Centre (late)
Mary Hurst – Te Awamutu Historical Society
Max Quirk – Kihikihi District
Annie Fullerton – Ohaupo District

In Attendance

Strategic Planning & Development Manager - A McFarlane
Secretary – C Shaw

Public - Nil

2 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED

That apologies for absence be received from Alan Hall and the Museum staff and for lateness from Sabina Owen.

Neville Ritchie/Mary Hurst

3 LATE ITEMS

Strategic Planning and Development Manager, Andrew McFarlane, advised that he would like to give updates on the Mission House, Heritage Trail Brochure, Matakītaki Pa and Kakepuku. Other items added were Resthaven, Heritage Overlay and the Pirongia School building.

4 CONFIRMATION OF ORDER OF MEETING

File: 65-11-02

RESOLVED

That the order of the meeting be confirmed

Bev Dean/Eris Parker

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5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

File: 65-11-02

Minutes of Meeting held on 17 November 2005 were included in the agenda.

Recommendation

That the minutes of the meeting of the Waipa Heritage Council held on 17 November 2005, having been circulated, be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record subject to the words "Waitomo Caves Museum Society" on page 3 being removed.

Annie Fullerton/Eris Parker

6 MEMBERS REPORTS

This item enables members to bring up issues in relation to the organisation/district they represent on the Heritage Council.

6.1 Waipa District Council (Mayor Alan Livingston, Councillor Barbara Taranaki)

Mission House

Andrew McFarlane advised that the permit has come through from the Authority and there are six conditions. Neville and Andrew to look at the conditions at the conclusion of the meeting.

Heritage Trail Brochure

Andrew McFarlane produced a rough copy of the proposed brochure for information only. He sought direction from the Heritage Council as to format and how many to print. There was a suggestion that a coloured background on the text matches a coloured patch on the map.

Matakitaki Pa

A rough sketch was produced showing stage 1 which will focus predominantly on the entranceway. Estimated costs are around \$5,000 for this stage.

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Kakepuku

Andrew McFarlane reported that they are looking at the classification status of the Reserve with a view to providing a walking track with a link to the Department of Conservation walkway. The Recreation reserve status was favoured as it would be available for bikes and other recreational toys, which a Historical Reserve would not. Approximately 400m of track would make a great all round circuit and not just an up and down track.

6.2 Te Awamutu Museum (Debra Kane/Toni Fortune)

Max Quirk reported that the Museum was really busy and the No. 8 wire display had now gone on tour. An advertisement is to be placed for a permanent part time receptionist.

6.3 Te Awamutu Historical Society (Roger Swarbrick, Mary Hurst, Mike Williams)

Still in recess.

6.4 Cambridge Museum/Cambridge Historical Society (Eris Parker, Bev Dean)

Eris Parker reported that the Museum had been really busy since the New Year with both visitors to the Town and residents.

6.5 NZ Historic Places Trust (Gail Henry, Heather Garrett)

Heritage Overlay

Gail advised that the Trust had received a set of plans for new water mains and this prompted her to request Council to provide a heritage overlay that could be used by staff in these types of new developments.

Andrew McFarlane confirmed that Waipa's heritage database was effectively the appendices of the District Plan. A heritage overlay beyond that database was beyond the current capabilities of Council staff; in fact, Council is looking to NZHPT to fill missing gaps. Council has some difficulty with HPT / WHC expectation that Council already has sufficient data to create a heritage overlay: This is not the case. Information previously collated by WHC volunteers must be validated by HPT before Council can integrate that information with its other statutory documents. In the meantime, HPT to provide Waipa staff with examples of 'heritage overlays' from other Council's, and HPT to be given copies of District Plan appendices.

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6.6 Department of Conservation (Neville Ritchie)

Neville said he had nothing to report from the Department of Conservation but he was looking forward to working with Tony Roxburgh. Neville outlined the work he had done recently in Antarctica.

6.7 Pirongia Historic Visitor Centre (Sabina Owen)

Old School Building

Sabina Owen reported that the Council had been very supportive in trying to find a solution to the relocation of this building. She advised that the community had not been very supportive and despite this they think that a temporary site has been identified.

Sabina reported that damage was still occurring at the Alexandra East redoubt – Alan Livingston to follow up.

6.8 Kihikihi District (Max Quirk)

Max reported that some activity had been seen around Major Jackson's house and people were painting the verandah.

6.9 Ohaupo District (Annie Fullerton)

Annie advised that the old Council Chamber was still an eyesore. However, the old bake house has reopened as a clock/antique shop. She was not sure whether they would continue with a café.

7 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Inwards Correspondence

Nil.

7.2 Outwards Correspondence

Nil.

8 ITEMS FOR NEXT WAIPA HERITAGE COUNCIL MEETING

Items for the next meeting to be provided to the secretary 14 days before each meeting. This can be done by writing to Waipa District Council (attention Cathy Plowright) or phoning her on 07 872 0030 extension 7511 or emailing her on cplo@waipadc.govt.nz

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9 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Waipa Heritage Council will be held at 10.00 am on Thursday, 16 February 2006 in the Committee Room, Cambridge Service Centre, 23 Wilson Street, Cambridge

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 12.10pm