

# LE QUESNOY SISTER CITY COMMITTEE AGENDA



## COMMITTEE OF THE CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY BOARD

**Time:** 4.30pm  
**Date:** Monday, 3 December 2018  
**Venue:** Committee Room  
Waipa District Council  
23 Wilson Street, Cambridge

## AGENDA ITEMS

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### 1 MEMBERS

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Mike Pettit, Chairperson

Elwyn Andree-Wiltens, John Bishop, Philip Coles, Julie Epps, Sue Milner, (Cambridge Community Board); Tom Pickering, Toni Eames, Delysse Storey, Miriam Farrell, Brian Farrell, Bill Brocklebank, Linda Robinson (Alliance Francaise de Hamilton), Sebastien Lemercier, Steve Tritt, Grant Middlemiss, Graeme Colquhoun, Michelle Kergozou De La Boessiere

### 2 APOLOGIES

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### 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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TRIM: 18115697

#### **Minutes of the Meeting held 23 October 2018**

#### **Recommendation**

*That the minutes of the meeting held 23 October 2018, as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

#### **Matters Arising**

#### **3.1 Le Quesnoy Commemorative Sculpture**

An update from Cambridge Community Board members to be provided at the meeting.

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### 4 VISIT TO LE QUESNOY, 1 – 5 NOVEMBER 2018

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An update to be provided by Mike Pettit.

### 5 ARMISTICE IN CAMBRIDGE / LIBERATION OF LE QUESNOY – 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY EVENTS, 4 – 11 NOVEMBER 2018

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An update to be provided by committee members who attended.

### 6 NEW ZEALAND WAR MEMORIAL MUSEUM, LE QUESNOY

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An update to be provided by Herb Farrant.

### 7 GENERAL

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### 8 NEXT MEETING

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To be held on **Monday 18 February 2019** commencing at 4.30pm.

Thereafter the meetings will be held on the third Monday (generally) on a bi-monthly basis, as follows –

23 April (Tuesday)      As Easter Monday falls on the scheduled meeting date, this meeting can be held on Tuesday 23 April or it can be held on the following Monday, 29 April.

17 June  
19 August

Dates for the remainder of the year cannot be advised due to the triennial Local Government elections being held on 12 October 2019 as the committees of the Cambridge Community Board are disestablished temporarily at this time. Meeting dates cannot be advised until following the first meeting of the new Board.

# LE QUESNOY SISTER CITY COMMITTEE MINUTES



## COMMITTEE OF THE CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY BOARD

**Time:** 4.30pm  
**Date:** Tuesday, 23 October 2018  
**Venue:** Committee Room  
 Waipa District Council  
 23 Wilson Street, Cambridge

### 1 PRESENT

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#### Members

Mike Pettit, Chairperson

John Bishop, Philip Coles, Julie Epps, Sue Milner, (Cambridge Community Board); Toni Eames, Delysse Storey, Miriam Farrell, Brian Farrell, Bill Brocklebank, Sebastien Lemercier, Graeme Colquhoun, Michelle Kergozou De La Boessiere

#### In Attendance

Noelene Barr, Community Board Officer

### 2 APOLOGIES

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#### RESOLVED

*That the apologies for absence from Grant Middlemiss, Steve Tritt, Tom Pickering and Elwyn Andree-Wiltens be received.*

Bishop/Coles

### 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

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File: 180-06-05/3

TRIM: 18093896

**Minutes of the Meeting held 20 August 2018 were included in the agenda.**

#### RESOLVED

*That the minutes of the meeting held 20 August 2018, as circulated with the agenda, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

Eames/Lemercier

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## Matters Arising

### 3.1 Le Quesnoy School

Julie Epps advised Cambridge High School and contact has subsequently been made with a school in Le Quesnoy and a visit is being planned.

### 3.2 Cambridge Le Quesnoy Website

Julie Epps advised that the new website is now live – [www.cambridgelequesnoy.co.nz](http://www.cambridgelequesnoy.co.nz)

#### RESOLVED

*That the Le Quesnoy Sister City Committee recommend to the Cambridge Community Board that payment to Rocketspark of \$180 per year for hosting and monitoring of the website and \$520 for design be approved from the Board's funds.*

Epps/Bishop

### 3.3 Commemorative Stamps and Coin 2018 – Le Quesnoy

Two sets of stamps and two coins have been purchased; one set of each to be displayed in the Sister Cities cabinet and one set is to be taken to Le Quesnoy as a gift from the community. The framed set of stamps for the Sister Cities cabinet and coin were on display at the meeting. A pounamu mere will also be presented at Le Quesnoy on behalf of Mayor Mylchreest.

### 3.4 Le Quesnoy Film

Miriam Farrell advised that David Blyth, grandson of Curly Blyth is currently making a film of Le Quesnoy and queried if it would be available for 11 November. Julie Epps to make contact with Reverend Adrian Gover who has been communicating with David Blyth; it could be on display at Lake Karapiro.

### 3.5 Cambridge Brass Band Supporters

Mike Pettit advised that supporters of the band are still purchasing tickets to attend the commemorations in Le Quesnoy; there are over 50 members in the group.

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## 4 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE / INFORMATION

- 4.1 Article – New Zealand Le Quesnoy Association, Sue Pickering**  
TRIM: 18113210

**An extract from the New Zealand Le Quesnoy Association newsletter dated May 2018 paying tribute to Sue Pickering, was included in the agenda.**

**RESOLVED**

*That the article from the New Zealand Le Quesnoy Association Newsletter, dated May 2018 be received.*

Pettit/Coles

- 4.2 Oratia Books, Media Release - "Le Quesnoy 1918 New Zealand's Last Battle" by Christopher Pugsley**

**A media release providing details of a book entitled "Le Quesnoy New Zealand's Last Battle" written by Christopher Pugsley, which is to be published at the end of October was included in the agenda.**

The book will also be launched in Le Quesnoy as part of the centenary commemorations which Dr Pugsley is attending. A free copy of the book is being offered through the Cambridge Le Quesnoy Association facebook page or at the Liberation Le Quesnoy event and was on display at the meeting.

**RESOLVED**

*That the information be received.*

Epps/Coles

- 4.3 Rangimarie - A New Zealand Garden for Peace in Le Quesnoy**  
TRIM: 18113302

Xanthe White Design has been commissioned to build a garden for peace as part of the centenary commemorations of Le Quesnoy. For further information please see the link below –

<https://www.pledgeme.co.nz/projects/5761-rangimarie-a-new-zealand-garden-for-peace-in-le-quesnoy-france>

**RESOLVED**

*That the information be received.*

Bishop/Coles

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### 5 VISIT TO LE QUESNOY, 1 – 5 NOVEMBER 2018

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Mike Pettit reported that he departs for Le Quesnoy on Friday 26 October and will be congregating with the remainder of the delegation on 1 November in Le Quesnoy. The three members of the delegation, Deputy Mayor Grahame Webber, Community Board Officer and himself, will be billeted by local residents. There are various events being held in Le Quesnoy leading up to the commemorative service led by the New Zealand Defence Force where Deputy Mayor Grahame Webber will be laying a wreath on behalf of Cambridge.

Herb Farrant of the New Zealand War Memorial Museum Trust intended to host a luncheon at a private chateau on 5 November but is unable to do so due to Health and Safety regulations.

Waipa District Council approved \$150,000 for the museum in Le Quesnoy which is to be paid from the return on invested funds and not directly from ratepayers; the amount equates to \$1 per ratepayer for three years. \$200,000 has been committed from other local authorities; the bulk of the soldiers who served in Le Quesnoy were from Otago and Wellington and it is hoped that those regions will contribute towards the museum.

The time frame is unknown for the museum at this point however there have been delays in registering the Trust due to overseas legislation which has now been resolved.

### 6 ARMISTICE IN CAMBRIDGE / LIBERATION OF LE QUESNOY – 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY EVENTS, 4 – 11 NOVEMBER 2018

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- Cambridge Town Hall Plaza - 18 large scale photographic boards on display telling the story of Le Quesnoy
- Cambridge Town Hall - Art exhibition including garments made by students of Waikato Diocesan
- Sounds and Light Show from 9.00pm to 10.00pm
- Le Quesnoy Liberation Day, 4 November - Family event from 5.00pm with free hot chocolate and ice creams; musical groups in attendance
- Mike Pettit offered the painting in honour of Ray Tocker to be included in the exhibition; Julie Epps to collect it from the Cambridge Primary School.
- Miriam Farrell requested the use of the Sister Cities stand alone banners at Lake Karapiro and will liaise with either Julie Epps or Sue Milner

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- Roaring Chorus, 11 November 2018 – the New Zealand Government has requested that the Roaring Chorus which occurred 100 years ago be replicated; the bells of the St Andrews Church will be rung to acknowledge this.
- The Le Quesnoy memorabilia will be on display at the Cambridge Town Hall.
- The Sound and Light Show could start earlier dependant on how dark it is; free hot chocolate and ice creams will be available; musical groups will be in attendance.
- 10/11 November, the Armistice in Cambridge event will be held at Lake Karapiro.
- Military vehicles will be in the parade on Sunday, 11 November prior to the civic service which commences at 10.00am.
- Enthusiasm for a French theme hasn't been received well by local retailers; as the armistice is widely recognised internationally, not to be pursued.
- Committee members to contact Julie Epps and Sue Milner if able to assist in any way.

## 7 GENERAL

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### 7.1 Le Quesnoy Commemorative Sculpture

The commemorative sculpture is currently in abeyance subject to the location being confirmed. The proposed location on road reserve adjacent Lake Te Ko Utu is within a culturally significant area for local iwi although there are no signs indicating this. The initial site at the Oak Arboretum which was blessed by local iwi is still a possibility.

The Cambridge Community Board to request an update on this matter.

## 8 NEXT MEETING

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To be held on **Monday 3 December 2018** commencing at 4.30pm. This meeting will be held earlier in the month than usual due to Christmas.

### Significant Dates

Anniversary of the Liberation of Le Quesnoy	Sunday, 4 November 2018
Commemorative Service for Armistice on	Sunday, 11 November 2018
Remembrance Sunday	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5.34pm.



**CHAIRPERSON** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**