Minutes of the Vision for Kerikeri and Environs Inc. **Annual General Meeting** Held on Sunday, 29th of May 2016 at 2.30pm in the Education Centre, at Aroha Island

The Chairman opened the formal session of the meeting at 2.30pm, welcoming members and guests who had responded to our notices and invitations.

Present:

Members:

Rod Brown, Christine Brown, Bob Bubendorfer, Bruce Burling, Judith Burlina, David Clendon, Lindis Capper-Starr, Leonard Dissanayake, Marian Dissanayake, David Manning, Maria Manning, Cliff Mail, Allan McKenzie, Inge Bremer, Rolf Mueller-Glodde, Terry Quinlan, Mike Rowledge, Sue Rowledge, Peter Summers, Primrose Summers,

Justin Topzand, Doug Turner

Guests:

Webber Booth, Aida Booth, Robin Booth, Colleen Bird, Colleen Burge, Janet Clark, Peter Clark, Jess Gibbs, Colin Jones, Rory Howell, Kerry Townsend, Scott Townsend, Julia McKenzie, Chris Wallis,

Apologies: Florence Annison, Roelof de Beur, Noeline Bubendorfer, Michèle

Twigden and Trixie Brown.

Moved that Apologies be accepted.

Rod Brown/Rolf Mueller-Glodde Carried

Minutes of the 2015 AGM:

Moved that as the draft minutes had been circulated, they be taken as read and approved as a correct record of that meeting

> Rod Brown/Inge Bremer Carried

Chairman's Report:

Rod Brown presented his report verbally.

The full report is appended.

Rod invited comments and questions from those present; the following points arose:

The issue of solar EV panels as a priority for Kerikeri, ea making them. a building consent condition. Feed-in tariffs were also seen as an issue.

It was suggested that VKK prepare a number of question on issues affecting Kerikeri and Environs in particular and then inviting candidates for election to make written comments, which we then publish on our web site.

Moved that the Chairman's report be received.

Bob Bubendorfer/Christine Brown Carried

Financial Report:

Our Treasurer, Inge Bremer explained the detail of the financial report, which was projected, rather that issued in printed form. This was particularly necessary as the financial results for the 2015/16 year, included funds that were transfer payments on behalf of other organisations' projects. The full report is appended.

Moved that the Financial Report be received.

Inge Bremer/David Clendon Carried

Membership Fees:

The Treasurer recommended that the fees remain the same as in the previous year.

Moved that the membership fees remain the same.

Inge Bremer/Linidis Capper-Starr Carried

Election of Officers and Committee Members:

The Secretary advised that as the only nominations received were those of the current committee members, namely:

Rod Brown - Chair

Rolf Mueller-Glodde - Deputy Chair

Inge Bremer – Treasurer

Justin Topzand – Membership Secretary

Bob Bubendorfer – Minutes and Meetings Secretary

Allan McKenzie – Member (with skills in design and architecture)

Cliff Mail – Member (with skills in electronic publishing)

Jane Johnston – Member (with skills in planning)

The secretary commented that as no other nominations had been received the membership must have been satisfied with the current committee and he therefore

Moved that the current committee be re-elected

Bob Bubendorfer/Mike Rowledge

Carried

Election of Vettor:

The Treasurer Inge Bremer recommended that Michele Twigden be retained for the following year and

Moved that Michele Twigden be re-elected as the Vettor for the 2016/17 year

Inge Bremer/Christine Brown

Carried

Closure of the formal AGM

The Chair closed the 2015/16 AGM at 3.08pm

The Chair then opened the Informal Session of the meeting, introducing our Guest Speaker John Booth who would be informing those present of the 700 years of human induced change in the marine life of the Bay of Islands.

At the conclusion of the Q &A session the Chair thanked John Booth for his excellent and informative presentation, which was endorsed with acclaim by the meeting.

Closure:

The Chair closed the second and informal part of the VKK AGM at 4.00pm and invited those present to partake in coffee, tea and biscuits.

Attachments:

1) The VISION KERIKERI CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2016

Good evening everyone, welcome and thank you for coming to our 11th AGM. Vision Kerikeri came into being when deficiencies in the FNDC District Plan were exposed when a developer wanted to build an 8 level apartment building just off our Main Street. Council is now starting on a District Plan Review which is required every 10 years. Typically citizens show little interest in planning until it affects them personally and it can be captured by vested interests. It is important for the public to show an interest and Council has tried to involve the public with its pop up shop presentations. We have made a written submission and presentation to Council planners. Our principal objection remains the permissiveness of our effects based plan.

Tthere has been little development in the Far North for some time and the last 7 year census revealed the problems of a declining population and rating base and difficulty in funding infrastructure. However Kerikeri, nearly alone, had a population increase during that period. During rapid growth from 2001 to about 2007, subdivision under our permissive District Plan was rampant and infrastructure was unable to keep up. There has been much loss of productive land and sprawl in Kerikeri in the absence of wider

strategic planning. This stalled under the previous Council through lack of interest and removal of funding. The District Plan Review needs to anticipate for say the next 30 years and we look to it having a strategic focus. This should include serious consideration of climate change and sea-level rise referred to in a recent Royal Society Report. House construction and population growth here is underway again and increasing arrivals from Auckland are likely. Without strategic planning, ad hoc development could resume under the present permissive effects based District Plan. However the NRC Regional Policy Statement is now largely operative and there are at last a few Government National Policy Statements. Both have precedence under the RMA and the District Plan is obliged to give them effect. These are tools which may counter vested interests locked in the status quo.

Council support for an electric car charging station at Kawakawa is commended. We would like to see it leading with more initiatives toward a low carbon future such as PV cells on say Te Ahu, using bio-fuel blend for its diesel vehicles, LED lighting, possibly some hybrid vehicles and cycle ways Byron Shire in Australia has gripped a 10 year zero emissions project because of a lack of commitment at federal level. It could be a worthy project for Kerikeri as the national commitment here also seems rather luke warm.

Our 2007 Kerikeri/Waipapa Structure Plan and largely ignored by Council ever since, remains a good basis for our future planning. The immediate Kerikeri priorities are a solution for KK sewerage system, a road from Countdown to Homestead Road to Clarke Road to provide a grid road system in the CBD and looking after amenity values especially Kerikeri Road.

This year there we had an important change with Cliff Mail joining our committee as communications member. He has extensive media experience and, since our Deputy Chairperson lain Morrison passed away suddenly about 2 and a half years ago, we have effectively had no website and apart from newsletters little public communication. Cliff has rejuvenated our communications with a new and vibrant website, has put us on Face Book and Neighbourly and has injected a much needed update.

A lot of energy has gone into restoring the long neglected Wairoa Stream. Starting in February 2015, in partnership with Rotary Kerikeri, 1 km of track was quite quickly built to the point where we need to bridge the stream. Building the bridge has been delayed because its design has proved too expensive and Rotary is spending this winter investigating lower cost and simpler construction for building next summer.

Meanwhile creating a public walkway and wildlife corridor jointly with Living Waters, only 5 minutes walk from the town centre has been on going about 800 metres up and downstream of Cobham Bridge so far. Upstream, a contractor has just cleared the stream bank of dangerous Eucalypts and opened 90 more metres for planting another 1000 plants on Sunday June 19th - more than 10000 plants so far in 4 years. Next year we plan to be abreast of Campbell Lane where building and funding a bridge will be a new challenge in order to create a circular walking route back to Pa Road bridge.

But this is more than planting once a year. Opening up Wairoa Stream, neglected for 60 years, has exposed a three km ribbon of weeds running right through our local environment. We should be embarrassed and ashamed. Without on-going maintenance this effort and expense is entirely wasted and it is maintained by the dedicated efforts of a small informal group of 7 or 8 people "Friends of Wairoa Stream", which VKK administers. Without them it would quickly revert to the wilderness from whence it came. To date the two projects on Wairoa Stream have expended 1900 volunteer hours.

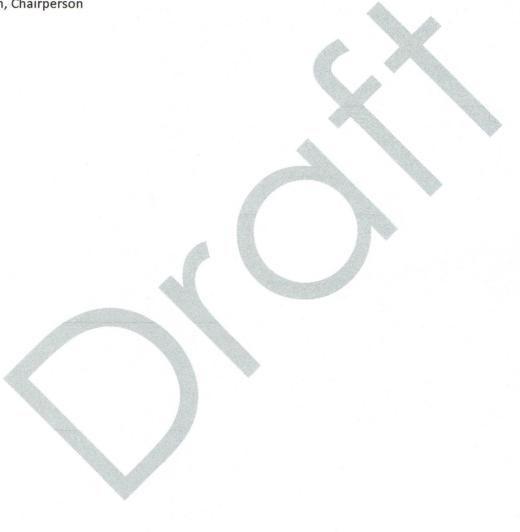
The stream could do with a few more friends.

Working with other community groups, Rotary Kerikeri and Living Waters, to achieve mutual goals is a powerful multiplier of complementary skills and a good way to get results and Council support. Council and NRC officers and the Community Board have been very supportive

As usual we made submissions to the NRC Annual Plan and FNDC Annual Plan and submissions on Plan Change 20 Traffic, Parking and Access and Council's Freedom Camping policy the parliamentary Select Committee regarding the RMA amendment and the Ministry for the Environment about Marine Protected Areas. We attended mediation on Plan Change 15 which is now before The Environment Court as differences between FNDC and Turners and Growers and Horticulture regarding boundary issues was not resolved by mediation. We decided not to participate in the Court process. Thank you committee you have been particularly helpful this year with writing submissions and communication with members and the public, as I have found Wairoa Stream quite time consuming. We do need more, ideally younger, committee members to revitalise ourselves.

Thank you too to our members, your support is essential, and again thank you for coming this evening.

Rod Brown, Chairperson





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VISION KERIKERI

ACCUMULATED FUNDS AS AT 31 MARCH 2016

ANZ 00 Account

\$6347.17 \$6457.47

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REVIEWER'S REPORT

I have reviewed the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2016 in accordance with accepted auditing standards and have carried out such procedures as I considered necessary and obtained full explanations on all matters I raised.

In common with other organizations of a similar nature, control over the income prior to its being recorded in limited and there is no practical audit procedures to determine the effect of this limited control.

In my opinion, the financial statement give, subject to the possible effect of limited control over income and expenditure referred to in the preceding paragraphs, a true and fair view of the financial affairs of Vision Kerikeri for the year ended 31 March 2016 4 and the position at that date.

DATE May 10, 2016

Michèle Twigden ATINZ

<u>Vision Kerikeri</u> <u>Financial Performance Year to 31.3.2016</u>

Revenue		2016		2015		2014		2013		2012
Membership Meetings Sundry	\$ \$ \$	1,880.00	\$ \$	1,780.00 - -	\$ \$ \$		\$ \$ \$	2,190.00 160.84 -	\$ \$ \$	2,240.00 538.00 100.13
Interest incl tax refund Funding CB & FNDC WAIROA Tax refund	\$ \$ \$	297.08 10,688.00 -	\$ \$ \$	2,000.00	\$ \$ \$		\$ \$ \$	300.00 - 43.92	\$ \$ \$	250.98 - -
Tax Totalia		12,865.08		4,082.13		2,414.06	_		_	3,129.11
<u>Expenditure</u>										
Accounting/Auditor Advising	\$	1	\$		\$		\$		\$	
Advertising Fees	\$		\$ \$		\$ \$	1,961.40	\$	-	\$ \$	- 1,634.41
Mat. & Eng. WAIROA S.T. Meeting Costs	\$	7,888.32	\$ \$		\$		\$	-	\$ \$	200.00
Meetings/Conferences Membership in other org.	\$ \$	478.16 85.00	\$		\$ \$		\$	1,410.03 115.00	\$ \$	744.24 -
P.O. Box rent Postage	\$	85.00 -	\$ \$	7	\$ \$	- ·	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	219.90
Printing, Copying, Stationary Withholding tax on interest	\$ \$	181.56 43.87	\$ \$		\$ \$	370.19 53.06	\$		\$ \$	357.14 43.92
	\$	8,761.91	\$	3,689.19	\$	4,148.97	\$	2,740.97	\$	3,199.61
Net Profit/Loss	\$	4,103.17	\$	392.94	-\$	1,734.91	-\$	46.21	-\$	70.50
Financial Pos. as at 31.3.2016										
Current Assets Cash in current account E Saver Deposit Sundry Debtors	\$	6,347.17 6,457.47 - 12,804.64	\$	6,030.36	\$ \$	5,582.55 	\$ \$	7,170.46 	\$ \$	6,195.39
Less Current Liabilities Sundry Creditors WAIROA	\$	4,799.68	\$	2,076.83	\$	20.70	\$	-	\$	8.50
Net Assets	\$	8,004.96	\$	6,801.45	\$	6,408.51	\$	8,164.12	\$	8,161.83
Equity	\$	12,804.64	\$	6,801.45						

NB: the cheque for \$ 2,000 for Wairoa Stream Project building material was issued on 29 Mar 2015 and debited to VKK account on 21 Apr 2015.

BUMCI INGE TREMER TREASURER

10.5.2016