

Pacific Advisory Group Minutes

Tuesday, 14th June 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Wellington City Council, 101 Wakefield St, Committee Room 2

Chairperson: Sai Lealea

Members in attendance: Leina Isno, Meremine Auelua, Alapeta Faletau, Siofilisi Tafo'ou, Alisa Logo and Sai Lealea (Chair)

Councillors: Cr Free

Staff: James Mather

1.	Welcome & Opening prayer	6.00pm
2.	Apologies Apologies received from: Nicole Rex Ledua Taucilagi Alvin Mitikulena Kimi Higginson Merio Marsters Sharon Samasoni Herbert Bartley Anthony Leaupepe Cr Paul Eagle	6.05pm
3.	Confirmation of Minutes Sai moves to carry the minutes	6.10pm
4.	Matters Arising No matters arising	6.15pm
5.	Wellington Pasifika Community Patrollers Nari Auelua	6.20pm

Nari:

Initiative was previously run by PAG

Update on the work done so far, to support NZ police to reduce crime and support Pacific peoples.

Presentation to be made available to PAG members via email.

Launched in January 2015, with 36 vetted patrollers

Role is to be present, not about enforcing the law
Sponsored by NZ police, WCC and CP

WCC has provided resources to aid the group
919 hours of patrol time in 2015, covering major events
In October 2015 the Wellington Safety in the City award was given to the WPCP

In 2016 as of May, 527 hours have already been patrolled
Currently working with Bell Gully to establish a constitution to become a legal entity

The patrols are largely Samoans – WPCP are looking to other Pacific island people to become part of the patrols.

WPCP are interested in PAG's ideas on how to do this, more specifically;

How can PAG help WPCP reach out to the community?

Floor is opened to PAG

PAG congratulated WPCP on their work within the community and acknowledged the challenge put to them to help engage their community.

Q – Do you cover Porirua, or the Kapiti/Mana area?

A – We have recruited from there, currently Kapiti/Mana are looking at setting up their own patrols. We are looking at purchasing a vehicle to transport our patroller's home.

Q – No question, but it's great to see people with differing backgrounds taking part in keeping Wellington safe for all.

Q – Before the end of the year, each of us here will invite you to talk to our communities to speak about your work and seek involvement.

Q – I would like to tap into the university students. There are multiple associations, as

	<p>well as a Pasifika student council. They distribute information, so I can get you in touch with them or even set up a meeting between you. Having young people looking after young people would be ideal.</p> <p>Q – In our language week this October (Fijian), we can promote you. We invite lots of groups.</p> <p>A – We will try and get a flyer to you to help with your promotion. You can distribute this to your contacts. Taking the initial word out there would be so helpful, with your involvement within all your communities. Some of our patrollers are now thinking of recruiting into police. This represents a real opportunity for our people, especially the young ones.</p> <p>Action: PAG to contact their communities to invite WPCP to come and talk to their communities by years end. Language week nominated as a good timeframe to aim for.</p>	
6.	<p>Annual Report All</p> <p>James to send out reminder, next Tuesday to be due date.</p> <p>Sai & Alvin to assist Leina with economic development section.</p>	6.45pm
7.	<p>Translation Update All</p> <p>Need to find out who accesses translation services, to determine where the need is</p> <p>Ministry of Pacific Peoples to be looked into</p> <p>Senior members of communities to be talked to</p> <p>Samoan & Cook Islands data to be looked into to determine if the need is there</p> <p>Engagement process on the need for translation to be developed with PAG and councillors</p> <p>PAG to email their community regarding the translation proposal</p>	7:25pm
8.	<p>Community Updates</p> <p>Ida resignation notice</p> <p>Cook Island Community Update:</p>	7.45pm

- The new Cook Islands High Commissioner, Her Excellency Mrs Teremoana Yala was presented to the New Zealand Governor General, His Excellency Lieutenant General The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae at a brief ceremony at Government House on 1st June 2016
- A combined welcome by the Cook Island people will participate in welcoming Her Excellency on Saturday 18th June 2016 at 4pm, Te Akapunanga Hall, 14 Bedford Street, Cannons Creek.
- Cook Island Language class, every Tuesdays during the school term is still going from 4.30pm till 5.30pm. Gold coin koha. We have more students coming in to learn from beginners to advance with fluent speakers participating. 3 more weeks till the end of term. A recent addition is of Japanese descent, keen to learn the reo as she is travelling to Aitutaki in October and teaching at local school for a month.
- Cook Island Language class turns 2 years old this month (June) and will celebrate this on 28th June 2016 during class session.
- I have been involved in support Cook Island elderly facing huge debts, financial abuse by others, superannuation benefit changes and managing health related appointments, assessments and surgery process.
- We have a social group called Te Puna Waiora that supports others with health related illnesses and meet every fortnight Tuesday for social housie games, \$1 per card and shared lunch at Centennial Community Centre, 493 Adelaide Road, Berhampore. Next gathering is Tuesday 28th June 2016 at 10.30pm till 1.30pm.

Tongan

- Last month was very busy, children's week was held as well as mothers and father's day. Celebrate the youth day was also held, a very family oriented event. The homework centre is also running, but we missed our funding from Ministry of Education. We are looking for our own sponsors currently.
- Tongan leaders council has a fund from Pacific Futures, this money is to help educate our communities on education, health and economic matters.

Tuvalu

- Preparing for language week in October

Melanesian

- Independence celebrations coming up, everyone is busy preparing
- Looking at business partnerships with women in the pacific and Maori community

	<p>Cr Sarah Free</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ASB evening was a highlight for me, so very proud of you PAG members - I love Fiji was a well organised event, and although there was a fairly good turnout, numbers could have been higher if there had been more time to promote it. <p>Samoa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Disappointed in the Island Bay cycle way consultation process - Language week has kicked off, 29th May till 4th June - Google launched the Samoan dictionary - Independence day also fell within that week - Attended AKAMAI, was an awesome event - Victoria University were very supporting of the funding support from WCC <p>Fiji</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Churches in Auckland meeting together - Concert for I Love Fiji was a success – trying to determine numbers and funds raised - Language week preparation has begun as well as funding sourcing - Looking to Ministry to establish aims for the Language Week - 	
9.	<p>Closing and final prayer</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7.40pm</p>	7.36pm