

WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Pacific Advisory Group Meeting on 17 June 2009

Present:

1. Ida Faiumu-Isa'ako (Chairperson - Samoa)
2. Pisa Alaifea (Deputy – Samoa)
3. Kolovula Murphy (Deputy – Tonga)
4. Martha Ahmed (Tokelau)
5. Titia Vaerua (Cook Islands)
6. Brenda Cottingham (Niue)
7. Danny Kauraka (Cook Islands)
8. Mafi Katoa (Tonga)
9. Lopati Tefoto (Tuvalu)
10. Malakai Jiko (Fiji)
11. Ana To'o (Samoa)

12. Deputy Mayor Ian McKinnon
13. Daphne Pillar (Recreation Wellington)
14. Paul Kos (Kilbirnie Town Centre Upgrade)
15. Perry Walker (Housing Update)
16. Marie Retimanu-Pule
17. Bessie Fepulea'i

Welcome:

- Warm pacific greetings and welcome from the Chairperson who thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Opening Prayer:

- Ana To'o

Apologies:

- Mailigi Hetutu, Tina McNicholas, Councillor Leonie Gill, Councillor Pannett, Trudy Jenkins, Billie Tate-Jones, Phoebe Velova'a

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

- The Minutes from the meeting on 20 May 2009 were moved as a correct record by Pisa Alaifea and seconded by Titia Vaerua.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- No matters arising from last meetings minutes.

PRESENTATIONS:

‘What can Recreation Wellington do for you?’

- Daphne Pillar spoke about the Push Play programme and how communities can access this service through the Council. Programmes run by the Daphne and her team are:
- Push Play
- Leisure Card
- Get Set Go course
- How to Spread the Word programme
- Opening Doors – how to work with people with mental illness
- Fun for \$5 bucks and under (resource) booklet will be available soon.
- For more information about these services please contact Daphne Pilaar 803 8015 or email daphne.pilaar@wcc.govt.nz

Kilbirnie Town Centre Upgrade (Paul Kos):

- Please refer to the Presentation Documents.
- Any other information about the Kilbirnie Town Centre Upgrade can be obtained from Paul Kos, City Planning Team, 803 8124 or email paul.kos@wcc.govt.nz

Housing Project Upgrade (Perry Walker):

- Please refer to the Presentation Documents.
- Any other information about the Housing Project Upgrade can be obtained from Perry Walker, City Housing Project, 803 8710 or email perry.walker@wcc.govt.nz

UPDATE ON LTCCP

- Bessie Fepulea'i documented the submission from the Tongan Community and thanked Vula Murphy and Mafi Katoa for preparing the documentation. Bessie Fepulea'i thanked Mafi Katoa for his courage in coming into the Council for their oral submission. Bessie Fepulea'i then also thanked Ida Faiumu-Isaako for taking time out to support Mafi Katoa and the Tongan Community with their oral submission. Bessie to work closely with the Tongan Community in terms of their proposal.
- Ian McKinnon – Rates increase will be 3 1/2 %, no slash and burn, everything will continue as normal. Council will need to be very cautious, and more will come out over the next month.

PASIFIKA FESTIVAL

- Bessie Fepulea'i clarified the role for the Pacific Advisor during the Festival will be the Project Manager. Clarification of the PAG role is to advise the Pacific Advisor from a Community perspective. Clarification of the Events Team role was that Rebecca Hardie was the Events person that will be working with the Pacific Advisor and all enquiries,

correspondence, concerns and feedback was to go through the Pacific Advisor as the Project Manager for the Pasifika Festival 2010. Ida asked that the PAG group be kept up to date and in the loop with all discussions to do the Pasifika Festival and not be left in the dark.

- Bessie Fepulea'i spoke about the Pasifika Festival having to change the date due to the capacity of marquees not being available for hire on the 30 Jan 2010. The proposed date for the Festival is 13 Feb 2010 the week after Waitangi Day on the 6 Feb 2010. Bessie asked if this date could be confirmed as the planning of the next festival needed to be on the way as soon as the date was confirmed. PAG agreed to the change of date.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

- Ida Faiumu-Isa'ako presented a power-point presentation about the Swain Flu and talked about the importance for the Pacific Communities to take serious note of what's happening in the Pacific Communities in terms of the Swine Flu.

COMMUNITY REPORTS

- **Community Reports to deferred to next meeting.**

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Presentations – Ida asked to have one speaker only at any PAG meeting to utilise the time better.

Closing Prayer:

- Ida Faiumu-Isa'ako

Next Meeting: 15 July 2009

Meeting Closed: 8.15pm