

Central Interceptor Project

Minutes of Meeting

Final

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Meola Stream Community Liaison Group

Date of Meeting: 18 February 2020 Meeting Number 14

Attendees: Name Affiliation/Interest

Alistair Shanks Facilitator/Secretary
Tame Te Rangi Chair Kaitiaki Forum
Graeme Easte Albert Eden Local Board
Christina Robertson Albert Eden Local Board

Shalini Sanjeshni Watercare Peter Wilson Watercare

Carol Moffatt Ghella Abergeldie JV

Peter Brice MAGS

Theresa Pearce Healthy Waters

Elizabeth Walker STEPS Andrew MacKintosh STEPS

Apologies: Nick Vigar Healthy Waters

David Abbott SASOC Pat Prescott STEPS

Margi Watson Albert Eden Local Board

Bronwen Turner Manukau Harbour Restoration Soc.

Bryan Bates

Venue: Garlick Room, Mt Albert YMCA

NO. ITEM ACTION

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 October 2019

These were approved as correct.

This was moved by Liz Walker and seconded by Peter Brice.

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 December 2019

These were approved as correct.

This was moved by Andrew MacIntosh and seconded by Christina Robertson.

2. Action Items from the Minutes

From Meeting Number 4

Retention of top soil - this is to be left as an ongoing item and will be considered as part of the restoration plans.

From Meeting Number 11-1

The Contractor is to refer to the Waititiko Meola Creek Enhancement Plan for the appropriate list of plant species and will come to the group for feedback. This is ongoing.

From Meeting Number 11-2 and 11-5

The visual appearance of the Plant Rooms. This is ongoing and is discussed later in the agenda..

From Meeting Number 11-6

Effects of the reduced flow in the stream to be considered. This is yet to be done, so is ongoing. Liz indicated she would like to see this modeled.

From Meeting Number 11-7

Springs at Haverstock Road. Nick Vigar is to report back to the group on an appropriate way forward. This item is to be left as ongoing. It is discussed later in the agenda.

3. Update by Contractor

Project Update

Carol Moffatt from the Contractor Ghella Abergeldie Joint Venture, gave an update.

Open Space Reinstatement plans are currently being prepared. These will go to land owners then come back to the CLG to provide an update on discussions with landowners and to seek feedback.

With regards to the Haverstock site, the Contractor has met with Plant and Food to work through areas that can be retained. The Contractor is currently working through how and when they can commence any vegetation work.

It was reported that the work on the Mt Albert War Memorial site will start at the end of 2020. Parking proposals for the construction period will be presented to the local board.

The design of the tunnel boring machine is underway. Assembly was to be in China. This is being reviewed now because of the virus effects in China. Assembly in Germany is currently the preferred option.

The machine has yet to be named.

The shafts at Mangere, and May Road are under construction.

Works at the other sites will be starting soon.

4. Update by Watercare

Construction Management Plans and Vegetation Proposals

These plans and proposals for each site will be put on the Watercare website. The plant rooms will be shown on the plans.

The Mt Albert shaft will be constructed and work in the area will wait until the tunnel boring machine works its way to the shaft. The disruptive part for the site will be the initial works when the above ground work is undertaken. It will be less disruptive when the works are mainly underground.

A Temporary Parking Service Provision Plan will be submitted to the local board for approval prior to the start of construction in the area.

Haverstock Road Site

The Haverstock Road site is seen as presenting opportunities to optimise vegetation planting and daylighting of springs.

The local board wants to be involved in the discussion about these opportunities. Nick Vigar is now in charge of looking at the site. The STEPS proposal was distributed to the group on December 15th. Background work is now being undertaken regarding the site. Board walks could be considered. Land ownership and access are issues that need to be resolved.

Graeme Easte offered to send a copy of his older proposal for the area to the group.

G Easte

Public Arts Update

It was reported that Peter Wilson had meet with the Auckland Council consultant that is engaged to look for a set of artists to assist. The idea is to make the plant rooms appear as part of the landscape using the principles of landform design. Examples on Waiheke Island and Gibbs Farm were discussed.

Waititko Meola Creek Enhancement Plan

A short report was tabled.

Discussion was held about rubbish removal from the Norgrove

Reserve Rock Forest. Concern was raised over the possible damage to vegetation and the rock lava forest that could occur if rubbish removal is carried out. An arborist and an ecologist have been engaged to assess the vegetation.

STEPS indicated that they would like to be part of this discussion. The local board, representing the land owner, also will be involved. It was thought that it could be useful to contact the Waste Solutions Team at the Council as they have experience with sensitive sites.

Rubbish includes inorganic material and green waste. Its origin is unknown. Waste is household and industrial. In some areas the stream runs within private property. There has been waste placed in the area from the golf course.

The lessee at Chamberlain Park which is run by an arm of Council has been asked to stop dumping waste and requested to take rubbish off site. This is a compliance and education issue.

Actions requested by the group were:

- 1) It is invisaged there will be engagement of an external contractor to work alongside Chamberlain Park. A meeting is to be held with the golf course to update them and seek their views on the rubbish situation.
- 2) The Local Board and STEPS be involved in a site walk, to acquaint people with the area and to discuss the technical issues.

Graeme requested that work in the area wait until further consultation is undertaken. The Chamberlain Park Master Plan is being updated and the plan will reflect that the golf course is to remain and there will be a focus on the park and vegetation in the area. This needs to go to the public for validation.

The Waititiko Enhancement Plan was prepared by AECOM which outlined the extent of rubbish in the reserve.

5. Update by Healthy Waters

A meeting was held on 13 January over the spring at Haverstock Road with discussion on the way forward. Investigative work is now being undertaken.

6. STEPS Update

STEPS are looking forward to a clean up day on Saturday 22nd February. People will meet at the Fergusson Avenue Park Bridge. This is a monthly event.

7. Other Matters

It was reported that Ian Hendry has resigned from Plant and Food and is replaced by Shannon Hunter. Their groundsman is to added to the email list. Liz is to provide his details.

Some funding for pest control was thought to be available from Auckland Council. Biosecurity work is backed by the Community and Parks part of Council, such as Urban Ark. Another possibility is funding from DOC for a pop up education stall for local events. This could provide information on trapping and weed control.

8. Next Meeting

This will be held at 6pm on Tuesday 19th May at Ferndale House.

Link to Meola Stream CLG Minutes and Agenda

https://watercareserviceslimited.sharepoint.com/sites/External/MSCLG/MSCLGDocuments/Forms/AllItems.aspx

Action List

Meeting Number	Action	Responsi bility	Response	Status
4	Retention of top soil especially at Lyon Ave	Watercare	Include in restoration plans.	Ongoing
11-1	Contractor to refer to Enhancement Plan for Plant Species	Watercare		Ongoing
11-2	Consideration of visual appearance of plant rooms	Watercare		Ongoing
11-5	Plant room layout plans to be updated after each meeting if there are changes	Watercare		Ongoing
11-6	Effects of reduced flow in stream to be considered	Healthy Waters		Ongoing
11-7	Springs at Haverstock Rd - explore option to return to natural environment		HW to report back. G Easte to send out old proposal.	Ongoing
14-1	Liaison with Chamberlain Park/Golf Course	WC/STEP S/HW		