

Snells Beach Ratepayers and Residents Association – SBRRA

AGM meeting – Monday 6th May 2024 7pm

Snells Beach School Hall

Present: Anouska Brown (Chair), SBRRA committee: Peter Beekman, Eileen O’Loan, Diane Taylor, John Norman, Maurie Hooper, Kathy Toon,

Michelle Carmichael RLB, Tim Holdgate RLB, Dave Parker JP, + 17 people

Apologies: Gary Heaven, Shelley Trotter,, Ian Taylor, Gary O’Loan, Greg Sayers (AC Rodney councillor)

Previous AGM minutes 1 May 2023 – Confirmed /seconded John Norman / Peter Beekman

Matters arising: None - Any general matters arising will be covered at the bi-monthly meeting to follow.

Chairperson’s report: Anouska Brown tabled her annual report – see attached. Acceptance Robyn Duffy. Seconded Alison Coates

Financial Report: Maurie Hooper presented statement of the annual accounts. Reviewed by Stewart Taylor FCA. See attached. Acceptance of the report moved Alan France Seconded Kathy Toon

Election of Chairman: No nomination received. New committee will appoint chair after discussions

Election of Secretary: Only one nomination received. Eileen O’Loan - nominated by Peter Beekman, seconded Dane Taylor. **Eileen O’Loan** is elected to this position.

Election of Treasurer: Only one nomination received. Peter Beekman nominated by Maurie Hooper , seconded by Eileen O’Loan. **Peter Beekman** is elected to this position.

Election of committee members x 4: see nomination profiles attached

Nominations received: Troje Botica, David Burt, Harrison Mitchell, Alana van Boheemen

Nominations accepted Jenny Bartlett, seconded Dave Parker. All agreed.

New legislation for societies: On 5 October 2023, the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 (the 2022 Act) came into force.

- Existing incorporated societies (those incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908) will need to reregister under the 2022 Act if they want to remain as an incorporated society.
- Existing societies — those incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 (the 1908 Act) — will need to reregister under the 2022 Act before **April 2026** if they want to remain as an incorporated society.
- **Motion:** The SBRRA committee is agreed that SBRRA will re-register, and Eileen O’Loan will lead a working group to achieve this. A review of the constitution will need to be undertaken and brought to an extraordinary meeting for membership approval. **Motion** Peter Beekman / John Norman – all agreed.

Appointment of an auditor. Under new legislation – only a reviewer needs to review the annual accounts – this will be decided by the committee later in the year, once the work on the new constitution has been completed

Annual subscription 2023-2024: Motion: the SBRRA committee proposes that the membership fee for the 2024-2025 years be increased to \$15.00 per household. Anouska Brown/ Diane Taylor

Discussion followed – disappointment in the low numbers of households that are members, how to increase membership ideas, Membership fee has been \$10 for many many years, Committee very frugal in their spending, Money in account still earmarked for the future bird information panel project.

After discussion – all at the meeting agreed to raise the membership fee to \$15.

AGM closed at 7.27pm. The bi-monthly meeting of SBRRA immediately followed

Attachments x3

1. Chairman's report 2023-2024yr Anouska Brown

As I reflect on the past year, I want to extend my gratitude to every one of our members for your steadfast support throughout the past year. The transition in leadership last September posed its challenges, and I am sincerely thankful for your patience and understanding during this time of adjustment. I am particularly grateful to Eileen for her unwavering assistance and dedication in helping me navigate my role and ensure that we stay informed about matters concerning Snells Beach. Without her invaluable support, I believe we wouldn't have made the progress we have today. I would also like to thank Peter for his exceptional dedication and hard work. He navigated a challenging period as Chair marked by the aftermath of natural disasters. Thank you, Peter, for your vital contributions to SBRRA. We also bid farewell to our other amazing committee members, and I want to thank them for their continual support and assistance throughout the years.

Last year proved to be a bustling one for us, especially in terms of improving communication with our members. The transparency and effectiveness of communication regarding the slip repair on Mahu East Road and the seawall, facilitated by the council and AT, were commendable. I express my recognition to them for keeping us well-informed throughout the process. These were undoubtedly challenging tasks, and I am impressed by the outstanding execution of the slip repair and seawall projects.

Rodney Local Board: Working alongside the Rodney Local Board has been a fantastic experience, fostering positive engagement and collaboration.

Communication with New Mayor: Transitioning to a new mayor can bring communication challenges, but we've appreciated receiving updates on matters important to our community and having the knowledge to advocate effectively.

Greg Sayers has been instrumental in enhancing our communication with the council, ensuring our voices are heard. Thank you.

Lett Road Subdivision: It's disheartening to see the Lett Road subdivision proceeding, and we hope it won't disrupt the future of our area too significantly.

Signage for Nesting Birds: We continue to advocate for signage to protect nesting birds, a cause we are dedicated to seeing through.

Pedestrian Crossing: It's disappointing to learn that the pedestrian crossing isn't moving forward. However, we remain hopeful that alternative measures will be implemented to ensure the safety of children crossing Mahurangi East Road.

Snells Beach Community Night: Was a success with being an uplifting event, that has revitalized the character and charm of our beloved seaside village. It has been a joy to witness the renewal of Snells Beach as a vibrant and cherished community. It was great to see so many community groups engaging in our town, and we hope that their clubs and organisations have grown from that night too.

The Auckland Council planting project: it's a relief to say the least that it didn't proceed as planned. While we all share the desire to enhance our surroundings with greenery, perhaps the proposed location wasn't quite right. Nonetheless, we're still enthusiastic about the idea and would greatly appreciate our members' assistance in finding the perfect areas for planting.

As I look ahead to the future of Snells Beach, I'm excited about the new committee team and the positive changes they'll bring. While I'll be stepping away from community work to focus on my studies and family, I'm grateful for the experience and growth I've gained during my time on the committee. I'm hopeful that future opportunities will allow me to contribute more at a later date. I eagerly anticipate witnessing the transformations our seaside village will undergo under the guidance of the new committee. My time serving on this committee has been truly enjoyable, and thank you.

2: Financial Statement 2023-2024yr

2023/24 Annual accounts reviewed by Stewart Taylor FCA on April 10th, 2024

Snells Beach Residents and Ratepayers Association Treasurers Report for AGM

Subscriptions	1,300
Donations	10
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TOTAL INCOME	1,310
 <u>Less EXPENDITURE</u>	
Advertising	291
Computer	518
Printing & Stationery	-
Recognition Gifts	-
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TOTAL EXPENSES	808

NET SURPLUS	502
Start Year Bank Balance	5,448
End Year Bank Balance	5,949
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Increase In Funds	502

The reviewer made the following observations:

Bank accounts - it may be an obvious point but I'd encourage you to open an interest earning bank account to deposit the surplus cash. I know banks have made account opening difficult in recent times as they have needed to update records to comply with updated Anti Money Laundering legislation but, if your paperwork is now up to date, opening a new account should be relatively painless.

Tax status - most incorporated associations are entitled to an income tax exemption, I'd encourage you to ensure you have the paperwork from the IRD to confirm this. The bank may have a record of your IRD number and any RWT exemption.

Finally, I'm aware that there is the risk of a perceived conflict of interest so, in the interests of transparency, I can confirm that I am the son of Diane Taylor, who is a committee member. This relationship has had no influence on my performance of the review.

3: Nomination profiles for SBRRA committee

Nomination Profiles SBRRA 2024-2025

Peter Beekman. Resident since 2013

- Visiting this area since 1980s
- Is an active member of the Sandspit Yacht club spending lots of time on Kawau bay.
- SBRRA – Current committee. Previous Chairman

Troje Botica

- Resident of Snells for 11 years.
- CRG member for 10 years, with 4 years as chair.
- Mahu East CRG representative on the Rodney CRG cluster.

This is an opportunity for me to return the support the community have shown me since we moved here

David Burt

- Property owner and ratepayer in Snells Beach for over 20 years.
- Now a permanent resident after demolishing our old bach and building our new home for retirement.
- Professional background in international tourism and event management with Tourism New Zealand
- Formerly Head of Events for Auckland Council. Now retired.

Having holidayed in Snells for many years, I love the area and now have time to give back to the community.

Harrison Mitchell. Resident and ratepayer since 2021

- returned home from Europe in 2021 to raise our family in NZ
- Two children at Snells Beach Primary
- Founding member of Kawau Bay Action Group - helping to organise community events
- Company Director in my day job

Our family love our life and community at Snells Beach and Kawau Bay and I want to contribute in whichever way I can.

Eileen O'Loan. Ratepayer since 2003. Resident 2016

- Has holidayed here since 1982.
- Volunteer Matakana Coast Information Centre
- 40 years working many roles in Libraries
- SBRRA – current secretary

I am proud to call Snells Beach my home. Volunteering to enhance our community for the future generations.

Alana van Boheemen. Resident since 2019

- Has 2 kids at Snells Beach School.
- Current Snells Beach Kindergarten Administrator
- Background in micro-biology and former MPI officer.
- Lived in Munich, Germany for 6 years before moving back to NZ with family and cat.

We enjoy living by the beach and love the Snells Beach community. Looking to be active in the community and keep SB moving forward in these times of changing demographics.