

Notes from the Snells Beach Community Meeting

Hosted by: Snells Beach Ratepayers and Residents Association. SBRRA

Date: Monday 3 Nov 2025 Time: 7.00pm Location: Betty Paxton Room

Welcome from David Burt – Chairman SBRRA.

Congratulations to Tim Holdgate and Ivan Wagstaff for their re-election to the RLB.

Guest speakers x 2: Mark Stallworthy – WW Police, **Jeremy Coker** – Armstrong Security

Numbers present x 35

Guest Speaker: Mark Stallworthy. Officer in charge – Warkworth Police

Summary:

Our Police rely on the community to be their eyes and ears to keep our community safe.

- Warkworth Station is manned 24/7 with 3 shifts.
- Warkworth Police area – Puhoi to the Dome and on call to support Mangawhai and Orewa
- If you see, or believe, that a crime is being committed do not hesitate - **RING 111**. The Warkworth Police are then contacted thru the call centre.
- If you discover a crime after it has happened – then **RING 105**
- Also – you can visit the Warkworth Police station 6 Falls Street (off Elizabeth Street) to report an incident. Open Mon – Fri 8am – 4pm
- If you discover a theft or notice any criminal activity – please always inform the police. Your reporting of the crime may prevent others in the neighbourhood also being targeted.
- You can raise a concern with the police anonymously
- Always lock your car and home. Set the alarm if you have one.
- You will receive an incident job number that applies to your situation. Please keep this for future reference
- Please let your neighbourhood support street co-ordinator know of the incident. They can use their contacts to canvas others in the neighbourhood in case there had been other incidents.

Questions from the floor

- Gangs and drugs in our communities. The new gang laws are working. There are drugs in our community. Police rely upon community knowledge. If you see drug dealing activity – please contact the Police
 - Community Cam – Police use a platform “Safer Cities” to find homes with home CCTV. Encourage households to register their home cameras with the Community Cam website.
 - Motorbikes/ burnouts/ wheelies. If happening now or is a risk to community – Ring 111.
 - Arrabella Lane Camera – a great resource – is monitored and police can ask for access
- Secretary will work with Mark to create a contact / information document for the community

Guest Speaker: Jeremy Coker – Armstrong Security jeremy.coker@armstrong.co.nz

Summary:

- Has 2 stores in this local franchise – Orewa and Warkworth. Covers Orewa to Mangawhai
- Family business with qualified specialist staff.
- All forms of physical security are covered – home alarms, door, cameras, jewellery safes, insurance quotes
- LOCK it up – always lock your car no matter where it is parked. Lock doors and windows
- Having locks, alarms and cctv is the best combination for security.

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- Recommends – Blue light laser pen for marking transportable goods – TVs, computers bikes etc. Available from their stores or the local neighbourhood support contacts.
- Home CCTV – A big variety is available from many outlets – Armstrong Security recommends Hard Wired CCTVs. They offer a call out and quote service
- **Until end of 2025 – a 10% discount is available to residents. Ask instore or thru the local neighbourhood support**
- A display of some products available – and pamphlets and other products left with the neighbourhood support team.

Tim Holdgate – RLB member Ivan Wagstaff – RLB member

- Tim now 3rd term as RLB councillor. Ivan now in his 2nd term. RLB has 9 elected members. 2 in the Warkworth subdivision – new boundaries – mostly now within the suburban areas – not the rural areas.
- **RLB** has a governance role with community input not a management role, that's done by Council officers. RLB links to Central governance through Greg Sayers.
- **Watercare** – SB wastewater project now open. There will be an open day opportunity for the community within the next few months.
- **Buses:** Warkworth Library is the agent for passes, timetables, information.
- **Pedestrian crossings x 2** – planning is advanced – Governor Grey and Iris Rd/Dalton Road.
- **New walkways in Warkworth now open** – NB: All new walkways will also be up to accessible standards
- **Walkways** –some local walkways are no exit – signage needed. Log a job thru AT SBRRA committee is working on that and will log a job for signage.
- **Skatepark:** Community facilities team have now recommended a change of venue. Disappointment voiced that the community had no visibility of the change and no opportunity for input into the decision – only discovered through Mahurangi Matters.
- **RLB bi-monthly community group meetings** hope to continue. **SBRRA has been attending these**
- Invitation extended to all the community to attend RLB workshops and raise issues.

Association committee updates:

Your Committee is working on.

- Working with Facilities team on a Goodhall Reserve development plan.
- Liaising with an independent community facilitator to find a community resolution to the seabird roosting area issue
- SBRRA is represented at the bi-monthly community RLB meetings – NB: we are allowed to raise 3 issues in a 5 min presentation – Skatepark, Goodhall reserve, the resolution of seabird issue were all raised last time. We are hopeful that these meetings will continue with the new board. No dates for next meetings have been received so far.
- Walkways – no exit signage

Seabird roosting area

- From Tim – not a role for RLB to find consensus in the community. Up to the community to find a resolution to this issue. RLB will be able to assist with convening a community meeting if needed. The best way forward is for the community to come together and make a decision
- From Ivan – Unlikely that initial plan will proceed. After further consultations – more proposals will be brought back to the board to consider in the New Year.
- Stan Armiger - Has contacted RLB after the election- nothing will happen until the new board convenes. Very happy to have a community meeting to help resolve.

Other community updates:

David Parker – Mahurangi Heritage dh.parker@xtra.co.nz www.heritagemahurangi.co.nz15

- QR codes have been added to historic buildings in Warkworth
- Nov 15th event – the unveiling of 3x plaques recognising pre-WW2 settlers in our area. – settler pioneers from Warkworth area, Mahu East area and Heritage seafaring vessels.
- If anyone has further information to share on these pioneers, please contact Dave Parker.

Maurie Purdy

- Update given on his petition asking for reinstatement of dog walking on the northern end of the beach
- Petition presented to RLB on 17th Sept.

Margaret Faed –

- Raised the recent household letter sent out by the Council. Changes to the high density and flood planning changes. Feedback on the plan changes due 19th Dec 2025
- <https://ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/news/2025/10/what-auckland-s-new-plan-means-for-your-neighbourhood/>

NEW RLB Community compliance officers x2 now appointed. Any local bylaw issues please log a job with AC.

Pohutukawa Picnic Friday 12 Dec 2025.

More details to come – but save the date for another wonderful community event.

Meeting closed 9.06 pm.