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Auckland City Centre Residents' Group (CCRG) AGM: AGENDA

Monday, 2 September 2019

Location: Betty Wark Room Ellen Melville Centre, Freyberg Place, Auckland City Centre

Time: 6pm

Present:

Apologies:

AGENDA

1. Receive and confirm the minutes of the last CCRG AGM 5 November 2018 (**attachment A p.4-6**)
2. Receive the Chair's annual report (**attachment B p.7-9**)
3. Receive and approve the annual financial statement and report for the previous financial year, prepared by the Treasurer (**attachment C p.10**)
4. Establish any annual membership subscriptions for the following year.
5. Receive Nominations for, and Elect Committee for the next year, comprising up to ten members of the CCRG.
Position: Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
6. Appoint an auditor if so decided
7. Assign CCRG Portfolios to Members (Committee or non) – see Item 7 below
8. Annual Review of CCRG Mission and Positions for review if required - see item 8 below
9. Other Business: Meet the Candidates Event 17 September Update
10. Wrap Up

7. CCRG Portfolios

Positions: (approved 2018 AGM)

Key Meetings/groups:

- Transport
- Environment & Parks
- Development
- Community
- Auckland City Centre Advisory Board
- Waitemata Local Board
- Heart of the City
- Media
- POAL
- Auckland City Centre Network
- Emergency Management
- Taskforce on Alcohol and Safety, Noise, City Events
- Cultural, CCRG Events
- Social Media
- Others?
- Other Issues - as determined by people as they arise and have the passion to pursue

8. CCRG Mission & Positions for review:

Mission (as approved 2018 AGM)

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CCRG welcomes the diversity of representation from all sectors of the community and seeks to create an environment where everyone feels welcomed, affirmed and supported in line with the spirit of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

We look to cooperate and engage with other Auckland City Centre organisations having similar objectives.

Our aim is to continually work to improve the livability and quality of the city centre.

Positions (as approved 2018 AGM):

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Pedestrians, cyclists and Public transport, must have priority over private transport in all transport related projects in, and around, the city centre.

Our primary focus is to support the integrity of the City Centre Masterplan as the primary delivery model for all city centre projects including various forms of transport that favour environmentally friendly options.

The CCRG expects that all private use of public street space should come at a cost to the user with that revenue spent dedicated to improving the public realm.

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Public Spaces, in all their forms, are precious assets that improve everyone's lifestyle and must be maintained, enhanced, and increased. The city centre does not have enough open space, so if any existing public space needs to be modified, for whatever reason, the outcome must be a better public space option for residents.

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Auckland Development

Along with any with any growth in the city centre, improved public transport, quality public spaces and a healthy environment must always be prioritised.

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Economic and Cultural

Auckland's ability to understand, appreciate and celebrate our own, and other cultures, is the key to our economic future.

Along with great public spaces the CCRG, strongly supports the concept that Auckland as a great place to live will have a major influence on future economic success and cultural enrichment.

Governance and Support

Open and transparent governance practises provide the essential structure that underpins the legitimacy of public sector leadership.

The CCRG will work with the Auckland Council family and the Auckland City Centre Advisory Board to ensure that the voice of all groups of city centre residents is at the centre of any decision making within the city centre, in particular as regards expenditure of the city centre targeted rate.

Environmental Management & Regulation

Residents are entitled to a healthy City Centre environment

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9. Meet the Candidates Event 17th September

10. Wrap Up

Meeting closed:

Next:

CCRG 2019 Mtgs: Ellen Melville Centre, Betty Wark Rm, ground floor: 7 October

City Centre Advisory Board Mtgs: L26/135 Albert St - Wed 3-5pm – Advisory Panels and Boards tenure ends with the current electoral cycle. TBA post-elections

ATTACHMENT A: CCRG AGM: 5 November 2018 - Minutes for Approval

Auckland City Centre Residents' Group (CCRG) AGM: MINUTES

Monday, 5 November 2018

Location: Betty Wark Room Ellen Melville Centre, Freyberg Place, Auckland City Centre

Time: 6pm

Present: Adam Parkinson (Sec), Fiona McLaughlin (Treas), Kathy Ross (C), Tim Hannah (C), Emily Reeves (C), David Roos (C), Audrey van Ryn (M), Richard Northey (M), Robyn Northey (M), Lorraine Harvey (M), Maurice Harvey (M), Mik Smellie (M), Alastair McKenzie (M), Jill Stewart (M), Jennifer Lamm (M), Andre Andrews (M), Sri Maxwell (M), Helen Bernstone (M), Michael McKeown (M), Mark Laurent (M), Bruce Butler

Apologies: Noelene Buckland (Chair), Julie Hofer, Tim Coffey, Ardeth Lobet (C), Kristina Pickford (C), Antony Phillips, Marjorie McClean, Julie Hofer, Noel Ellis, Clive Harvey

Meeting Chair: Adam Parkinson

Adam opened the meeting by welcoming members, Waitemata Local Board Rep and guests, and briefly outlining the major items in the agenda. He referenced the Chair's comprehensive report, and the very large and varied amount of work undertaken during the year across many portfolios and areas of interest that residents have, as evidence of CCRG's determination and enthusiasm to fulfil its stated Objectives. He thanked everyone for their contributions and dedication.

AGENDA

11. Receive and confirm the minutes of the last CCRG AGM 6 November 2017 (**attachment A**)
Moved: Emily, Seconded: Kathy CARRIED
12. Receive the Chair's annual report & thank the Chair (**attachment B**)
Moved: Mik, Seconded: Fiona CARRIED
13. Receive and approve the annual financial statement and report for the previous year, prepared by the Treasurer (**attachment C**). (**Fiona also has filed the annual tax return**)
Moved: David, Seconded: Tim CARRIED
Fiona also spoke to the need for care and thought when receiving funds into the CCRG bank account that are not directly for CCRG purposes.
14. Special Resolution to Adopt Proposed Rule Changes to the CCRG Rules (Constitution) (**see attachment D for proposed Rules changes**)
Moved that the special resolution be approved : Michael, Seconded: Adam CARRIED
15. Establish any annual membership subscriptions for the following year.
Full Individual Membership: \$25
Associate Individual Membership: \$25
Affiliate Membership: \$50
Unwaged membership: \$10

Moved: Adam Seconded: Michael CARRIED

16. Receive Nominations for, and Elect a Committee for the next year, comprising up to ten members of the CCRG.

Nominations and Positions received:

Chair – Noelene Buckland	David Roos – Committee Member
Deputy Chair – Emily Reeves	Kathy Ross – Committee Member
Secretary – Adam Parkinson	Michael McKeown – Committee Member
Treasurer – Fiona McLaughlin	Mik Smellie – Committee Member
Antony Phillips – Committee Member	Sri Maxwell – Committee Member

Moved all be elected: David Seconded: Tim CARRIED

17. Appoint an auditor if so decided. It was moved that no auditor be appointed.

Moved: Adam Seconded: Fiona CARRIED

18. CCRG Portfolios Assign Portfolios to Members (Committee or non)

Key Meetings/groups:

Transport: Adam, David, Alastair	Environment & Parks: Noelene	Development: Noelene, Alastair
Auckland City Centre Advisory Board: Noelene, Adam	Social Media/Website: Adam (Web/FB/Twitter/Neighbourly), Emily (Insta), Alastair (GreaterAkl)	Taskforce on Alcohol and Safety, Noise, City Events: Emily, Richard (WLB)
Waitematā Local Board: Adam, Emily	Heart of the City: Noelene, Adam	Media: Emily
POAL: Michael, Ardeth, Tim Coffey, Alastair	Auckland City Centre Network: Kathy, Richard	Emergency Management: Jennifer
Cultural, CCRG Events: Sri	RFA: Tim Hannah	Domain: Michael, Julie
Community: Audrey, Kathy, Sri	Universities: Noelene	AC36 CLG: Noelene, Adam, David

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19. CCRG Mission & Positions: Annual Review of CCRG Mission and Positions (see below)

Moved that the Mission and Positions be adopted : Michael Seconded: Sri CARRIED

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Motion: that the CCRG positions above be adopted

Moved: Mik Seconded: Sri CARRIED

10. E-News Developments and direction

A vote of great thanks was expressed to Audrey for her 10 years of tirelessly producing the very successful city centre e-news, and assisting new editor Emily, with the handover.

Emily shared a draft of how the November E-news might look and has invited feedback. The E-news will be sent out via Mail chimp, and people will be able to subscribe to it and/or become CCRG members. Deadline for any contributions is 10 November, with publication 15 November approximately.

Wrap Up

The meeting expressed its thanks to Noelene and Adam for their amazing dedication and time to CCRG over the year.

Meeting closed: 7.45pm

Attachment B: Chair's Annual Report

CCRG Chair's Report: 2 September 2019

Another very busy year for the city centre, with the CCRG being engaged in a wide range of interests and activities. Below is a brief summary of what we have been engaged with and the current status.

Project/Issue	CCRG Position/Involvement	Current Status
<i>City Centre Speed Limits</i>	Support AT's recommended that speed limits in the city centre should not exceed 30kph.	AT still considering the 11,719 submissions and allocated some 6,000 hours of staff time to analyse correctly. A recommendation is due to go to AT's Board on 30 September this year.
<i>Homelessness</i>	Support council's position – homelessness should be rare, brief and non-recurring.	Liston House now refurbished with \$2m CCTR funding support. CCRG members raise funds for the community fridge and provide support for rough sleepers. Funding request for assertive outreach is on the ACCAB agenda 28 August 2019.
<i>Ellen Melville Centre/Freyberg Place</i>	EMC needs to be managed as our community facility, not just a council building	Continue working with WLB to change the management philosophy and focus on a local community centre atmosphere and protection for Emily Place as a public space rather than a commercialised event space.
<i>Public Amenities</i>	The city centre needs high quality public amenities like toilets, showers and clean drinking fountains.	Continuing conversation with the WLB and council's community facilities team.
<i>Red Hat Dinner</i>	Part of our neighbourly and community interaction programme.	Regular monthly dinner at various venues in the city centre.
<i>CCMP</i>	THE key strategic planning document for the city centre that should provide direction for all development decisions in the city centre. CCRG Chair and Secretary have been on the reference group for this project.	Refreshed document to go out for public consultation mid-September. CCMP now includes the waterfront plan and will be in digital form. CCRG Chair and Secretary have been on the reference group for this project.
<i>Auckland City Centre Network</i>	Part of our neighbourly and community interaction programme.	Regular attendance from CCRG member/s and a key aspect of opinion/policy forming in the city centre.
<i>Wynyard Edge Alliance/AM36</i>	CCRG member of the AM36 CLG	Good forum for raising community/resident concerns. Regular meetings attended and regular telephone discussions if any issues of concern. New Daldy Street Stormwater pipe going directly into the harbour is an issue for CCRG.
<i>K'Road Enhancements</i>	A key project to improve the city living environment with improved cycling and pedestrian facilities.	The project has had some delays but work is now underway, and the project is expected to be complete by the end of 2020.
<i>CCRG Events</i>	Four main events annually to support community fund raising and CCRG profile	Myers Park Medley 17 February, Neighbours Day 23 March, Election Forum 17 September, Jumbly Bumbly Sale 5 October,

<i>Queens Wharf Mooring Dolphins</i>	CCRG objected to this application. The RC application was approved by hearing commissioners and appealed.	Environment Court mediation on 6 August agreed to a deferral of the hearing until March 2020 to provide time for further workshops and mediation. First workshop due on 28 August facilitated by Mayoral office staff.
<i>Alcohol and Safety Taskforce</i>	CCRG has a member on this.	Regular meetings but little progress with either the by-law or Police enforcement.
<i>New ferry berths on Queens Wharf</i>	CCRG in favour of these but opposed due to marine and land transport issues.	Commissioners approved the RC application and not appeals so work has commenced on this project.
<i>ATEED</i>	CCRG Memorandum of Understanding	MoU agreed and signed during the year which provides for early discussion on major events that impact on city centre residents.
<i>LED screens in the city centre.</i>	CCRG believes there should be more stringent AUP provisions to ensure not nuisance is created for nearby residential buildings	CCRG opposed the 147-149 screen. RC approved with clear indications that residents were not to be considered in terms of nuisance created during night hours.
<i>ACCAB</i>	CCRG has two members on this Board.	The board meets monthly to discuss CCTR funding recommendations to council. The Board, led by Viv Beck, reviewed the funding criteria during 2019 to better align with the Akl Plan and CCMP directions.
<i>Access for Everyone – A4E</i>	CCRG very supportive of this programme and the philosophy behind it.	To be included in the CCMP refresh and trialled in High Street ASAP. A key and affordable change process for the city centre that can be achieved with much less funding than earlier similar programmes.
<i>Quay Street Public Space</i>	CCRG supports more public space but NOT at the expense of ferry growth.	Opposed by CCRG. This is the replacement for QE11 Square but does not provide any new public space – just steals the existing public space off ferry users. Also, major heritage issues. TC hearing due 9/10/11 September.
<i>Victoria Quarter Placemaking Project</i>	CCRG lobbying for more funds to be spent in the most densely populated area of the city centre.	CCRG obtained \$10,000 grant from WLB to improve streetscapes/safety in Victoria Quarter. Community meeting organised 18 June and agreement on preferences and priorities to be development for discussion at the next community meeting.
<i>Albert Street Boulevard</i>	CCRG supported \$20m funding from CCTR for tree planting along Albert Street.	AT proposal to reduce trees and increase bus bays was the subject of considerable discussion during the year with ACCAB resulting in less bus bays and more trees. Funding for Wyndham Street to Mayoral Drive trees not yet confirmed.
<i>Park(ing) Day</i>	Support this initiative.	Due 20 September this year. Initial plans underway and volunteers welcome.
<i>St Pats Square</i>	Support the protection of this area as a key quiet sport for residents and workers.	Continual dialogue to ensure it is not negatively impacted by the 51-53 Albert Street hotel development.
<i>Te Wero Bridge</i>	Support the need for a replacement bridge.	CCRG will make a submission closing 28 August and request the bridge is future proofed/wider and has a stronger mana whenua design approach
<i>Small city centre projects</i>	Small project engagement team meets regularly	Covers mid-town bus routes, Sale/Wellesley intersection, CookSale street, Eden Cres/Shortland/Princes pedestrian crossing.
<i>Aotea Square</i>	Support primary function as the key public civic space in the city centre.	Major concerns with the non-notified café/bar in the middle of the civic square and with no consultation from RFA. Work underway to develop a complaint to the Ombudsman re breach of council Significance and Engagement policy and objecting to the 10-12-hour 24/7 liquor license.

<i>Partners relationships</i>	Waitematā Local Board, BCCG, HoTC, MP, K’Road Business Assn, POAL, Domain ctte.	Regular meeting held to discuss areas of interest/support.
<i>Waitemata Open Space Network Plan</i>	A key document for CCRG and needs to include waterfront space	Chair to present to the 17 September WLB meeting on CCRG comments.
<i>City Centre Street Cleaning</i>	Needs a high standard of cleaning and maintenance	New contract commended 1 July following years of inadequate service. New standards obvious and welcome.
<i>Filming Protocol</i>	Requires more attention to resident needs when roads closed off.	Submission made 11 July requesting more attention to resident needs, concerns about drones and early morning/all night noise associated with this activity. Residents should have the same priority as retail and business.

CCRG Position Statements

The CCRG website shows our position statement clearly and these were based on the 2012 Auckland Plan. With the new plan now signed off, and the CCMP being refreshed the time is right to review our positions and this needs to be the focus of the new committee and based on the six outcomes of the new Auckland Plan –

Belonging and Participation

Maori Identity and Wellbeing

Homes and Places

Transport and Access

Environment and Cultural Heritage

Opportunity and Prosperity.

CCRG Committee

I want to express my thanks and appreciation for the enormous amount of work that your volunteer committee members have contributed over the past year. The workload is huge for the CCRG and we are looking to get some funding support so that we can get support for the engagement activities expected and required of us to properly represent City Centre Residents to the Council Family, as these take up the most time.

Adam Parkinson has advised that he is stepping down as Secretary following the AGM but intends to remain on the committee. Adam has done a vast amount of work for the CCRG and he now needs some time out from what has become an unmanageable work load.

The new committee will need to consider how they allocate this work more evenly among members. As Chair, I would like to suggest that we develop a process where a CCRG member leads a particular activity and sets up a small team, not necessarily CCRG members, to share the work.

We will need an elected Chair, Deputy Chair, Secretary and Treasurer roles along with subject spokespeople based on the Auckland Plan outcomes but also require expertise in event management, social media and community development.

I look forward to working for you all for another year and hope you are able to contribute your skills to the work we do.

Me ngā mihi me te mihi

Noelene Buckland Chair CCRG

Attachment C: Financial

Financial Statement

1 April 2018 – 31 March 2019

Cash on hand as of 1 April 2018: **\$1,219.67**

Income	
Subscriptions	
Affiliate Membership	\$100.00
Full Individual Membership	\$1,015.00
Donations	\$75.00
Waitematā Local Board grants	
QR1920-225 - CCRG Administration Costs	\$1,500.00
Neighbours Day 2019	\$250.00
Operational Expenses	
Administration	
Bank Fees	(\$10.40)
Cloud Storage (Dropbox)	(\$113.85)
Email (Google G-Suite)	(\$350.00)
PO Box Fee	(\$185.00)
Microsoft Office Suite	(\$119.00)
Outreach and Marketing	
Domain Name	(\$24.73)
Graphic Design for Posters	(\$217.06)
Jumbly Bumbly Poster Printing	(\$109.25)
Website Hosting	(\$203.29)
A3 Poster Printing	(\$80.00)
Venue Hire	
Committee Meeting and AGM room hire	(\$264.00)
Passthrough	
LG1820-241 - EMC Showers	
EMC Showers	(\$4,607.32)
HotC Unconditional gift	\$607.32
Council Grants	\$4,000.00
Jumbly Bumbly Sale	
Sale of donated goods or services	\$868.50
Payment to community fridge	(\$868.50)
\$1,263.42	

Cash on hand as of 31 March 2019: **\$2,483.09**

Prepared by David Roos, Treasurer, Auckland City Centre Residents Group