

## Auckland City Centre Resident's Group

### Meeting Minutes 30 April 2020

**Skype Meeting :** <https://join.skype.com/Y4ZAJK96hxx>

**Present:** Noelene Buckland, Adam Parkinson, David Rood, Tom Morton, Mik Smellie, Michael McKeown, Ardeth Lobet.

**Apologies:** Emily Reeves, Audrey van Ryn.

**Chair:** Noelene Buckland

#### **Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

##### **Recommendation**

That the minutes of the 2 March 2020 meeting be approved as read.  
NBuckland/TMorton

#### **Guest Presentation:**

Shaun Sutton, Community Manager, Link Alliance was going to present to us at our 4 May meeting but has now been booked for our 8 June meeting.

#### **Financial Report:**

The Treasurer, David Roos, presented a verbal financial update to the meeting.

##### **Resolved**

That the verbal financial update to March 2020 be received.  
DRoos/NBuckland

#### **Submissions/Consultation**

##### **Accessible Streets Regulatory Package**

The government has announced a series of proposed changes to various traffic rules that are “designed to improve safety for footpath users, encourage active modes of transport, and support the creation of more liveable and vibrant towns and cities”. The link below provides details around what is being proposed - <https://www.transport.govt.nz/multi-modal/keystrategiesandplans/road-safety-strategy/accessible-streets>.

CCRG have provided some initial comments to AT on issues that are likely to be of concern to city centre residents. This are primarily Proposal 1 and Proposal 2 and will be outlined further at the meeting.

##### **Resolved**

That CCRG submit on the New Zealand Transport Agency's Accessible Street Regulatory Package closing on 20 May 2020.  
AParkinson/DRoos

## **Turama Festival : 1-4 October 2020**

Mae Young from NoirEvents is part of the team organising the 2020 Turama Festival in Albert Park and has been in contact with CCRG about resident concerns. The following responses were provided to CCRG's earlier questions in italics -

*It is well known that Albert Park is a heavily used green space in the city centre, valued for its quiet and reflective location by residents, visitors and students.*

We at Tūrāma understand this and will continue to minimise the impact the event has on general public use of the park.

*Have the proposals outlined below been approved by Council?*

We are still currently going through the approval process with the addition of the updated event dates with Auckland Council as part of our Land Owners Approval process. From there we will move onto our Resource Consenting Process.

*At what time the day will the fences be constructed/removed and what noise limits will be placed on this activity?*

We are currently planning on installing the fence on Monday the 28th of September, after peak hours of traffic from approximately 1000. Removal of the fences will occur on the Tuesday 6th of October during a similar time schedule.

These dates and times have not been confirmed and may change, in which case we will inform you closer to the date. We are more than willing to work with you in finding a suitable time that will have the least impact on you and your residents. Please let me know if you have had any fencing troubles in the past.

*What precautions are being proposed to accommodate concerns about the spread of coronavirus in crowded spaces?*

To minimise the spread of COVID-19 the decision has been made to postpone the event until October the 1st to the 4th. Additional measures will be placed onsite to further ensure the artists, performers, and public's safety. As an example, the controlled entry and exit points will ensure that the main festival area has a regulated flow of people, allowing us to control the size of gatherings within the event.

Keeping in mind nothing is certain about this ever changing situation, we understand that the health and safety of our communities is of utmost importance and is being considered in all aspects in planning Tūrāma for our staff, artists, performers and foremost the public.

*In the meantime, can you advise exactly what is being done to 'minimise the impact' of public use in Albert Park please?*

In order to minimise the events impact we are going to maintain public access to the park during pack-in and out and during the day before we open the event. The southern end of the park will be freely accessible to the public at all times, including during the live event.

Pack in and Pack out will be done at 10.00 a.m. not during night hours

*The fencing material is metal and quite heavy and the workers throw them up on the back of trucks creating hours of endless, loud noise.*

We will ensure we pack-in and pack-out the fencing during the day time to ensure we do not disturb the residents.

It was agreed that CCRG invite the 2020 Turama Festival organisers to their 8 June meeting if the meeting proceeds.



**General Business/Discussion/Information**

CCRG have requested an opportunity to meet with the Waitemata Local Board to discuss a range of regulations, how they are applied and how this impacts on the quality of living for city centre residents.

The Board has confirmed that CCRG may take a delegation to the 19 May meeting and the Chair will lead this delegation.

It was also agreed that arrangements get underway for an election forum for city centre residents.

**Meeting Closed**

The meeting closed at 7.10 p.m.