Date: Thursday 19 September 2019  
Time: 3.00pm  
Meeting Room: St Chads Church and Community Centre  
Venue: 38 St Johns Road  
Meadowbank

Örākei Local Board

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Ellerslie Theatrical Society Incorporated
A presentation to Ōrākei Local Board on 19 September 2019

Status
Ellerslie Theatrical Society Incorporated currently owes around $19,000 for venue hire charges for the period from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.

Funding through grants
For the period from July 2018 to June 2019, ETS secured grants for $12,000, including from Ōrākei Local Board.

We had a grant application with a major funder that was referred back to us four times for changes, until we reached March 2019 and could no longer resubmit for June 2019.

We also applied for only one grant at a time, so that we should not ask for more funding than we needed or mislead potential funders.

Funding through sponsorship
We have investigated sponsorship arrangements and found that local businesses are reluctant to provide sponsorship, because

- we attract people into Ellerslie Village at a time when most retail businesses are closed,
- local businesses cannot afford to sponsor us financially, although we have received offers of goods.

There are difficulties with obtaining sponsorship from national businesses with a presence near Ellerslie, principally in Central Park although also in Penrose.

We negotiated with the local branch of a multinational vehicle manufacturer, but we could not make decisions on our annual programme early enough to fit with their budgeting.

Several major companies that we have approached have told us that they do not sponsor at a local level, except for an event that would attract national press and media. Two companies told us that they would only sponsor ‘nationwide’ events. We have not taken this as a signal to give up on finding a major sponsor, but it does make the possibility of finding such a sponsor less likely.

Finance within the performing arts
ETS has been fortunate in previously managing to break even. We usually only applied for grants to cover the costs of capital expenditure (although this does affect the amount of depreciation in our accounts).

Generally, performing arts in New Zealand and throughout the world do not have a sustainable financial model and rely heavily on external funding. ETS now finds itself in the position of facing closure if it cannot obtain funding, as do our national opera and orchestral companies and professional and community theatres throughout the country.

Our current financial position
Our current situation is that we have run out of options for funding for the unpaid venue hire charges for 2018-2019. We had discussed this previously with Board staff and had been told that we should only approach the Board when we had exhausted all other options.

We now appeal to the Board to work with us to ensure that ETS has a future.
Community arts

I have provided a link to a short video by Creative New Zealand that explains the significance of community arts.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nI2DFMhX2bg

David Blakey
Secretary
Ellerslie Theatrical Society Incorporated
# ELLERSLIE THEATRICAL SOCIETY INC.
## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

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**45672** **NET ASSETS**

The Statement of Accounting Policies and Schedule of Tangible Assets attached hereto form part of and are to be read in conjunction with the Financial Statements

To the members of the Ellerslie Theatrical Society Incorporated

I have compiled this set of accounts which, in my opinion, complies with generally accepted accounting principles.

I have, as a basis, used the detail in books of prime entry of the Society, amended where appropriate as to classifications and to conform with those accounting principles. I have also relied on information requested and observations of practice and procedures adopted and in use.

In my opinion I have conducted this compilation exercise to ensure that there are no material mis-statements caused by fraud or error.

I draw to your attention that some elements of the cash gathering activities makes absolute affirmation of accuracy of all receipts impossible. Analysis of past years’ income classes levels suggests that current year’s figures relative to theatre patronage equate with expectations.

In light of the above qualification the following statements can be indicative only.

(a) the indicative financial position as at 31 December 2018
(b) the indicative financial results of the operation and cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Bryan Mort A.C.A.

Signed this _4_ day of _October_ 2018

President

Secretary
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#### ELLERSLIE THEATRICAL SOCIETY INC.

**STAGED PRODUCTIONS - CONTRIBUTION ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

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**Contribution to General Production Expenses, theatre rent, Equipment etc Depreciation and Administration**

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**Net Contribution - Bar, Net Contribution - Raffles, Sponsorship**

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**TOTAL CONTRIBUTION FROM STAGE PERFORMANCE, BAR & SUBSIDIES**

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Ellerslie Theatrical Society Inc.

Statement of Other Material Information-Schedule 1
For Year Ended 31 December 2018

1 Statement of Accounting Policies

Measurement Base
All measurement and reporting of financial performance and financial position is on an historical cost basis.

Changes in Accounting Policies
There have been no changes in accounting policies. All accounting policies have been applied on bases consistent with those used in previous years.

Goods and Services Tax
The Society retired from registration as a GST registered entity with effect from September 2009.

2 Notes to the Accounts

2.01 Operating cash to meet production and day to day administrative outgoings is $1493.52.

2.02 Term Deposits of $34,286.01 are operational funds held as reserves in a number of short term interest bearing accounts at the ASB Bank.

2.03 Accounts Receivable ($185) recognises payment due for theatre facilities hireage at year's end.

2.04 Presentations in Progress: $1,980.00 recognises $1085 for rights and cast rehearsal catering for the opening 2019 season performance of "The Bach"; $575 for 2019 bar licence and $20 script fee for review of the play "Enchanted April".

2.05 Accrued income ($41.63) reflects term deposit interest receivable as determined from the last date of ASB deposit date up to 31 December 2018.

2.06 Bar inventory valuation of $876.24 is based on the most recent purchase cost per item applied to the various liquor items as counted at year end.

2.07 Non-current assets at written down value of $6608 is an amalgam of theatre equipment, Traveller curtain and Stage skirt ($3886); Computer software and hardware ($2183) and Fixtures and fittings ($739).

2.08 Accounts Payable ($453) recognises claims for expense reimbursement submitted post 31/12.

2.09 Rent Payable ($12,459) records the residual of the Increased Auckland Council rental (net of the $10,000 accommodation grant from the OraKei Local Board of Auckland Council) after your Society’s payments at the prior year’s tariff.

2.10 Reserved Grants ($1,000) recognises a November 2018 grant from the Creative Communities scheme, facilitated by Auckland Council on behalf of Creative NZ, New Zealand Arts Council in response to an application for funding help with production promotion. Material will be ordered as a trial to engender increased public awareness for the second production in the 2019 season.

2.11 Receipts in Advance ($50) represents member subscriptions for the 2019 year.

2.12 Extraordinary Income (Grants $2000) includes a $500 Grant from the Auckland Council OraKei Quick Response Round II facilitated by the OraKei Local Board.
Meadowbank & St Johns
Resident's Association

Waiautau Reserve Enhancement
Plan Submission
Overview of the Situation

- Waiatarua Reserve currently provides great off-leash dog recreation, but the presence of off-leash dogs has meant that other recreation activities that could take place in the reserve have not been developed, especially recreation opportunities for our children.

- This proposal would have little, if any, impact on dog walking in the reserve.
Off-Leash Dog Walking Area Definition

“A place shared with other users, where dogs may be off a leash but must still be under control at all times.”

Control your dog around other people

What some see as playful but harmless behaviour, others may see as out of control behaviour.

If your dog jumps on someone, some people might not mind but others might get frightened.

As a dog owner, you need to ensure your dog does not cause anyone distress.

- Prevent your dog from running up to and jumping up on people.
- Supervise your dog closely around children.

Source: https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/dogs-animals/problems-dogs/Pages/control-your-dog.aspx
What We Want To See More Of:
How Much Space We Propose
Where Could it Be?
Ultimate Aim for Waiaatarua Reserve

Our ultimate aim would be having the whole reserve as a space that families and dogs can enjoy. This could be achieved through dog owners simply following the rules, which are not happening at present. Our ultimate aim is not for Waiaatarua Reserve to be the #1 off-leash dog area in Auckland but an area that 100% of our households can enjoy, not just the 16% that own dogs.
SUMMARY OF MBSJRA’S OPINION ON THE DRAFT WAIATARUA RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PLAN

Waipatiki Reserve currently provides great off-leash dog recreation, but the presence of off-leash dogs has meant that other recreation activities that could take place in the reserve have not been developed, especially recreation opportunities for our children. We believe that at 41 hectares with 16 hectares of grassland and paths, that the reserve is big enough for many recreation uses without impacting on off-leash dog activities. With an estimated 84% of households in Auckland not being dog owners, and an estimated 89% of households in Meadowbank and St Johns not owning dogs (source: Auckland Council) we believe that this justifies alternate recreation areas in the Reserve.

According the Auckland Council’s Policy on Dogs 2012 Waipatiki Reserve is an off-leash dog area: “a place where dogs may be off-leash but still must be under control. A place shared with other users.” While we agree that the vast majority of dog’s owners do a good job at controlling their dogs in the reserve, the natural exuberance of dogs enjoying off-leash play it is not always compatible with recreation such as kicking a ball with kids. Feedback from residents and examples of poorly controlled dogs interacting with families means we believe that an on-leash dog area is needed in the reserve.

The draft Waipatiki Reserve Enhancement Plan goes a long way to addressing the environmental improvements that we have sought, but we believe that recreation areas suitable for picnics, ball games and outdoor play are vital to ensure that our children grow up with a connection to the environment and grow up to value it, and that they gain an understanding of the importance of maintaining our environment into the future. We propose a small area of the Reserve be designated on-leash and that this area be used for outdoor recreation and play. Simple fencing similar to that at the playground at the western end of the reserve would be perfect, or even better a native shrub hedge.
WHAT IS THE BACKGROUND TO THIS PLAN?

Waiaatarua Reserve covers 41 hectares with 16 hectares of open meadows and paths suitable for recreation. The reserve is a unique area of open space in our suburbs and has many opportunities for environmental and recreation improvements. The purpose of the Waiaatarua Reserve Enhancement Plan is to ensure that developments are consistent with the themes of the reserve, protect the natural values and prevent it from being cluttered with ad-hoc developments. It is one of over 2,500 beaches, parks and reserves listed as off-leash dog walking areas in Auckland.

WHAT DOES MBSJRA THINK OF THE PLAN?

We have reviewed the draft Waiaatarua Reserve Enhancement Plan and believe that it covers the much-needed environmental improvements that we sought to ensure that the wetland health is improved, especially in relation to focusing on sediment management and improvements and monitoring of the entire stormwater management system. We also agree where the plan also outlines the need for increased pest management for animals, fish and plants deemed pests. We like the improved links with the neighbouring golf course too and improved amenities such as seating and rubbish bins.

However, we believe that with 16 hectares of open space, and with suburban backyards increasingly shrinking, that there is also scope to further improve the recreation amenity in the Reserve. While well utilised as an off-leash dog walking area, the presence of off-leash dogs precludes other recreation activities such as causal backyard style cricket or soccer games with friends. Discussions with residents with children show that the reserve is not especially well used by that group due to the presence of dogs, and examples of dogs intimidating children and interfering with their play are many. There is a small playground area at the far western end of the park, but this playground area is not large enough for anything other than playing on the provided play equipment. The popularity of this playground demonstrates that people want to get outside with their children and that people think that Waiaatarua Reserve is a great place to do this.

Waiaatarua Reserve is a huge green area with more than enough space for everyone that wants to use it, and increasingly in this day and age we need to find ways to increase the amount of time our children spend outside, eating outside, active outside and feeling a connection to our environment and ownership of the importance of maintaining it into the future. Studies also show time and again that for improved physical and mental health we need to get our kids (as well as adults too) outside and active, so why not make use of the biggest green space in the suburb? Notwithstanding that Waiaatarua is a regional facility as well and hugely popular with dog owners generally we believe it is too valuable a green space to be solely dedicated to our four-legged friends.
WHERE COULD THESE RECREATION AREAS BE?

To be clear, this proposal would have little if any impact on dog walking in the Reserve. The area to the left of the entrance way at 139/141 Grand Drive is the prime location for a recreation area with dogs on-leash. As shown by this flood zone map on page 11 of the plan, the area is not flood prone and observations show that the area is impressively dry even after heavy rain. It's also accessible via a separate bridge close to the boundary with 147 Grand Drive. It is adjacent to the golf course and a planned path connecting the two areas, and is already planted with mature exotic trees, and of course is the closest point to the Meadowbank town centre. This area is identified in the plan as an area suitable to “provide opportunities to connect with nature and lean about natural and cultural aspects of the reserve” (page 29) and suitable for high infrastructure intensity.

The main feature that a recreation area with dogs on-leash needs is a very basic fence to delinate the area on all sides. This could be similar to the basic fence surrounding the play area in the south-western corner of the park. We would like to see closer cropped grass if possible, picnic tables under the trees, and assuming it's far enough away from the houses (which are elevated and screened by hedges and trees) some play equipment for kids would be ideal. These could even be more nature based e.g. tree trunk stepping stone type play equipment and other natural material based Māori traditional play (māra hūpara) as have been installed in playgrounds elsewhere in Auckland. We would prefer to see this clustered in one area where children can play without dogs around.
Trees provide the perfect obstacle course.

If the Grand Drive entrance area of the reserve is not deemed suitable, then pushing out the fenced area at the current playground into the large, flat, open space there (noted as 13a on page 27 of the plan and pictured above) to enable some balls/frisbees/picnic sitting on the ground, meeting other families etc without having to worry about kids and picnics vs. off-leash dogs, or indeed a space for older children to be able to go down with their friend, be somewhat independent and having a good time out of the house and away from screens. The path currently used by dog walkers could be re-routed to the east of this proposed area.

This area only needs to be about the size of Meadowbank School’s field, which is an extremely small percentage of the reserve – compare these two maps to get an idea of the size of the area we are suggesting:
HOW MANY AUCKLAND HOUSEHOLDS OWN DOGS? HOW MANY HOUSEHOLDS OWN DOGS IN MEADOWBANK AND ST JOHNS?

According to Auckland Council an estimated 15% of Auckland households are registered dog owners, with slightly lower ownership rates in Meadowbank and St Johns. This means that 85% or more of households don’t own dogs. We believe this supports a more varied use of Waiatarua Reserve, and its size, geography and the route that dog owners generally walk their dogs would easily adapt to more varied recreational uses.
### AUCKLAND COUNCIL POLICY ON DOGS 2012

The Auckland Council Policy on Dogs 2012 notes that Waiatarua Reserve is designated as “an off-leash area – a place where dogs may be off a leash but must still be under control. A place shared with other users.” This Policy on Dogs also notes that being a responsible dog owner means (among other things) being particularly vigilant near children and closely supervise interaction, respect other people’s personal space and to remember that public spaces are for everyone’s enjoyment and not everyone is fond of dogs. While we agree that the vast majority of dog’s owners do a good job at controlling their dogs in the reserve, due to feedback from residents and examples of poorly controlled dogs we believe that a recreation area where dogs need to be on-leash is needed in the reserve. Our preference is for all dogs in Waiatarua Reserve to be well controlled as per the Dog Policy so that a separate recreation area is not needed, but unfortunately this is not the current situation.

#### What does it mean to be a responsible dog owner?

- Choose the right dog and treat them well.
- Ensure your dog has adequate exercise.
- Consider the health benefits for your dog of neutering at an early age.
- Register and microchip your dog.
- Teach your dog basic obedience (keep your dog under control at all times).
- Know the best locations where you are allowed to take (exercise) your dog.
- Be particularly vigilant near children and closely supervise interaction.
- Know when your dog will ignore commands: put down on-leash, shorten leash, or avoid the area altogether (even if in an off-leash or designated dog exercise area).
- Respect other people’s personal space. Public places are for everyone’s enjoyment and not everyone is fond of dogs.
- Ensure your dog cannot leave your property by itself.
- Know when your dog must be on a leash, and always carry a leash.
- Pick up after your dog and carry the means (e.g. a bag) to pick-up your dog’s faeces.
OTHER POINTS WE WOULD LIKE TO NOTE

- Although on page 27 the plan notes upgrading existing basketball half court, we would support making this a full-sized court and add a small area with a netball hoop. We suggest that clearing vegetation near this area to let the light in so that the court area is not mossy and slippery.

- More support to reinforce dog control guidelines in the reserve, especially point #9 in Auckland Council’s Policy on Dogs 2012 document. More support to ensure that dog owners know where their dog can swim i.e. not in the wetland area to preserve bird habitats.

- We support the location for any potential dog agility area to be in area 13b (page 27) rather than 13a to keep this area separated from the playground and cluster dog related facilities in the area around the pond and Abbots Way carpark.

- Looking at the meeting minutes (https://mbsira.co.nz/news/2749) from an earlier meeting that Hayley Dauben kindly attended to outline the proposed Enhancement Plan, we believe that most of the things that meeting attendees deemed important are covered in the plan, and many of the ‘nice to haves’ are also covered too.
Who are we?

A group of 18 young people aged between 15-19yrs old, who are apart of the Ōrākei community.

Our group members attend:
St Cuthbert’s College
Auckland Girls Grammar
Selwyn College
Glendowie College and Ōrākei Marae

We have fortnightly meetings at the Ōrākei Community Centre
Our Purpose

Youth of Ōrākei’s mission is to make Ōrākei the best place for youth to grow up. We will do this by empowering young people and encourage them to be heard, now and in the future.
Our Project and Event Ideas

In our last meeting we began brainstorming ideas of what events and projects we wanted to run or get involved in our local community.

**Events**
- Competitions
- Big Beach Picnic
- Markets
- Ōrākei Amazing Race
- Movie nights
- Carnival
- Music festival with local school bands

**Spaces**
- Outdoor areas for youth
- Youth Centre hub
- Night light display (like Britomart)
- Youth sports day
- Cheap gym for youth (outdoor or indoor)
- Pontoon at beaches

**Environment**
- Beach and park clean ups
- Water pollution awareness
- Tree Planting
- Enviro day
- Community Garden

**Workshops**
- First Aid Course
- Driving safety
- E-scooter safety
- Art class
- Inspirational speakers
Thanks Ōrākei Local Board for your support!
RESPONSE OF TAUNA Torea Residents & Rangers Committee to Tāhuna Tōrea Fish Dams Protection Project Report, September 2019

Our committee has been deeply concerned for many years about the spread of mangroves in Tahunataorea (the spread likely being linked to increased sediment being deposited in the reserve area, borne by the Tamaki River from upriver developmental work). We have repeatedly sought Council help in addressing this ever-increasing issue.

Our concern about the mangroves has had two foci (a) impact on archaeologically unique pre-European, Maori fish-dams, which at present are likely to be progressively destroyed in their entirety, and (b) wider spread of mangroves, leading to the lagoon areas of Tahunataorea becoming a total mangrove “forest” (as has happened in other parts of Auckland), to the major detriment of a number of species of shore birds, which will no longer use the mangrove blanketed areas, and to the detriment of visual public enjoyment of the unique lagoon area.

We have been urging Council for over ten years to take action on these matters. In terms of process we have often felt unheard, and often met with silence, obfuscation, and/or a largely “do nothing” attitude.

The current recommendation to your Local Board addresses only the issue of the fish dams. We remind Council through its Local Board that there remains the wider issue of selective mature mangrove removal in the lagoons, though this is not the matter being addressed right now.

The report implies significant discussion of its contents with our committee. This is not in fact the case. It has only been through repeated chasing for information by me that our committee has been able to find out what might be happening. Our minute of meeting on 14 May 2019 sets out what communication has taken place (see Appendix 1).

It highlights that “discussion” with our committee only happened because of repeated attempts by me to get information on the matter, leading to a phone conversation initiated by me with Vincent Perry the day before our meeting. Despite the tenor of our minutes, there was no subsequent communication back to me or my committee from Council until we received the final report three days before your Local Board meeting, giving us inadequate time to prepare a response to the report, apart from this hurried response here.

Members of my committee function in many ways as the eyes and ears of Council in Tahunataorea. To indicate the level of involvement of many of us, I can indicate, by way of example, that in the past week I have (a) spent 150 minutes pulling out small, seedling mangroves from the large lagoon area (b) spent 80 minutes, as part of a weeding group of four, removing asparagus weed from the emerging bush (c) walked through the main part of the reserve, enjoying nature. A number of us have similar stories. This highlights the fact that our committee is able to bring weekly, monthly, yearly observation to the attention of Council, something that is not possible for Council staff and its contractors.

The essential issue at stake is the preservation of the unique taonga that is the fish-dams. The Council report suggests that any damage/threat to the fish-dams largely stems from tidal erosion. The alternative view is that mangrove establishment in the area (which took place in
the last quarter of the 20th century), and which has largely destroyed rushes ground cover on
the fish-dams, has been the main factor.

In terms of sea coming in to the area, mostly this comes in from the southern edge of
Tahuna Torea, through the large lagoon, and then through the weir (the latter happening
only a few times a month at particularly high tides) and eventually to the fish-dam area. By
this time the water has travelled about 200 metres within Tahuna Torea and is essentially
“tame” by the time it reaches the fish dams.

Tidal water coming in from the northern end is rarer, but occasionally does come as a result
of a combination of very high tides along with particularly strong onshore winds. We
recognise that this could have some effect, but we note that there is already a barrier of
mangroves closer to the beach itself, which we also want to remain, and which already
mitigates the effect of any rare storm surge. Furthermore, the theory of storm surge damage
does not explain a number of the facts and questions, which I list as follows:

1. The fish-dams have existed in Tahuna Torea for a minimum of 150 years (and
probably much more). Why did they last so long?
2. There were nine relatively intact fish-dams in the early 1970s. By the turn of the
century (2000) only three were left. Why has there been recent relatively sudden loss
of the fish-dams?
3. The six lost fish-dams are the one furthest from the alleged tidal surges, and the
surviving three are nearest to the alleged storm surges. One might have expected
the reverse, i.e. the ones furthest from the “surges” would be the last to go, as the
closest ones to the alleged surges would bear the impact and relatively shelter the
furthest ones. Does the “storm surge” theory articulated in the report hold up as a
single/primary explanation in the light of these facts?
4. In the early 1970s there were no mangroves in the immediate fish-dam area. By
2000 all fish dams had gradually become covered with mangroves. Is there any
connection of these mangroves with the progressive fish-dam disappearance, or is it
simply coincidence?
5. If one has a heaped up mound of uncovered ground (which is essentially what the
fish dams are), will it persist as a heap, or will weather gradually erode it? Is the
recent relative “nakedness” of the fish dam surfaces, in the recent absence of rushes
acting as a cohesive force holding the “heap” together, the major factor in the
relatively sudden erosion of the fish dams (in a quarter of a century, having earlier
lasted at least a century and a half?
6. Previously the fish dams were rush-covered. With the arrival and growth of
mangroves, the rushes lost their sunlight and progressively died. We suggest that the
rushes stabilised and maintained the soil of the earthen fish-dams. Their loss has
resulted in a loss of cohesiveness in the dams, and consequent erosion from weather
storms/rain from above (not from storm surges from the side).

I have been in discussion over the report to be considered by the Local Board with Chris
Barfoot. Chris was for many years chair of the Tahuna Torea Committee and continues to be
extremely active in the ongoing volunteer work that occurs in the reserve. He received the
Queen’s Service Medal (QSM) for his services to the community in relation to the reserve.
Chris has photos, which can provide evidence of the earlier state of the dams and their
progressive deterioration. He has seen a draft of my response and is strongly supportive of its overall tenor.

I do not pretend to be an ecology expert. But I note that within our committee we have quite a range of knowledge, and particularly knowledge that comes from frequent long-term observation, as opposed to occasional forays into the area, supplemented by office reports. And we do have some capacity to consider all the data, to weigh evidence, and to suggest conclusions that best explain the complexity of data and the changes that are occurring in the reserve.

I do not believe that the report reflects adequate consideration of some of the above facts. It focuses on one notion (that of tidal surge erosion) without adequately considering all the data. In reality its solution to the issue of preservation of the remaining fish-dam taonga is little more than tokenism, and won’t lead to the long-term preservation of what remains.

And I am very disappointed at the lack of genuine consultation and partnership with our committee over these matters. Quite frankly the lack of good consultation process has been poor.

I conclude by putting this question to the Orakei Local Board: If in thirty years’ time, the last fish dams have disappeared and you are faced with the question, why as kaitiaki did you not take more proactive steps to preserve the taonga, what will you say?

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APPENDIX 1 (EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF TAHUNA TOREA RESIDENTS & RANGERS COMMITTEE DATED 14 MAY 2019)

“Update on partial mangrove removal. There are two issues, the Fish Dams and the Tidal Lagoon. The chair reported a conversation held that afternoon with Vincent Perry (project manager) regarding the Fish Dams. A small section of mangroves has been removed but there is concern that further removal might cause further erosion to the fish dams. The chair also reported an email that had come half an hour before the start of our meeting from Hayley Dauben, Parks Ranger, in relation to the Lagoon. The email indicated that removal of mangroves could be justified only “if we are creating additional roosting habitat for shore birds”. There was also risk of coastal erosion being intensified by removal of buffering mangroves. As a consequence of these issues, Council recommendation was to “try weed clearance on existing high ground instead of mangrove removal”. The chair indicated that he had immediately sent off an email to Hayley suggesting that there had been miscommunication and the issue was not primarily a roosting issue. The issue was rather the progressive spread of mangroves in the lagoon, which would then become an
enveloping mangrove forest, which lead to wading birds ceasing to frequent the area (currently a very significant aspect of the vaunted Council “hidden jewel” that is Tahuna Torea).

“The reasons for delaying action on removal of mangroves were questioned by the Committee and two remits were moved and carried unanimously:

“Fish Dams. The preservation of the existing Maori fish dams is to be given the highest priority and the Orakei Local Board is to be asked to pursue the removal of mangroves and to take other necessary measures to ensure this preservation.

“Tidal Lagoon. The increase of open water space in the Lagoon for the use of wading birds is essential and the Orakei Local Board is asked to reconsider urgently the management of mangroves for this purpose. We request that a meeting be arranged with Council representatives within two months.”
Feedback from the Friends of Churchill Park regarding item 18: Land owner approval to construct stormwater infrastructure within Churchill Park

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Temporary barrier locations at upstand openings
Upstand modifications at boat ramp
Auckland Council underground stormwater services indicated in green

Notes:
1. Aerial image sourced from Auckland Council

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HEALTHY WATERS
CONSENT LEVEL DESIGN OF TEMPORARY WAVE BARRIERS
TAMAKI DRIVE, AUCKLAND
Plan View

Figure 1

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Project No. 600009
Attachment A

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HEALTHY WATERS
CONSENT LEVEL DESIGN OF TEMPORARY WAVE BARRIERS
TAMAKI DRIVE, AUCKLAND
Temporary Wave Barrier Detail

Figure 2
These works undertaken in conjunction with stormwater catch pit upgrades
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Do you want to be that person who says
“I wish I had done that” but now it is maybe too late, or you are too old or that window has somehow closed.
Do you want to be that person? This is the mantra behind me not standing again for the Ōrākei Local Board.

So while I am still too young enough and that window is still open for me I will be bold and take yet another risk in my life, open that window and see what else is out there in this big wide world.

It’s not that I haven’t enjoyed the experience and opportunity to represent our community,
It’s not that being on the Local Board isn’t challenging enough or rewarding enough, it is, and it’s got nothing to do with the glacial speed of the Council’s processes
It’s just that I don’t want to be that person......who says “I wish”

My lead on the Local Board was that of Economic Development, the smallest of all budgets.
We as the Board have had many successes this past 3 years and for ED, the most memorable for me was the very successful first time ever Ōrākei Local Board Business Awards in recognition for our local businesses who are themselves rate payers and have at last been locally recognised.
Hopefully this will become part of the Local Board’s work programme as a recognition to local business.

I started 3 years ago as a very naive Local Board member but during the past 3 years I have worked hard and now have a very good understanding of what is required of a Local Board member.
It’s a huge learning curve for any new member and interestingly when I recently found my old school reports in a dusty old box, it fascinated me that my school teachers often commented with similar remarks.

Rosalind has worked very hard this year, she has a good understanding of the subject and her results prove this, we wish her well for her next year.

My life!!
So to the thank you’s.

Adam our good looking Relationship Manager, I must admit when you phoned me 3 years ago to welcome me to the Board saying that you were the Relationship Manager I did wonder what on earth I was getting myself into. I still find it an interesting job title.
I want to share with you how dedicated Adam is. Last Christmas we had closed the Board office for the year, but suddenly something came up that I needed an answer and quickly. I emailed Adam, do you know where he was – He was waiting line for Santa with his children in Smith and Caughey’s Santa Grotto, impressive dedication, I got an immediate reply to my query.
You do a wonderful job Adam working between two boards, it cannot be easy but you do and you have a great team working with you.
Suzanne – It has been a pleasure knowing you for this past three years and I know that the Local Board Plan was all a bit much for me at times especially when it goes on for months but we did it and judging by the achievements we (all of us) have done a great job, yes there are still things to be completed and started but all in good time. It is very well to be critical of what and what has not been done but until you are an elected member you don’t really know what goes on and how it all happens. Have appreciated your advice and support over the past 3 years. The new Board are very lucky to have someone like you as a Council Staff member and senior advisor. I love the way you can pull facts and figures out of your head in an instant. You remember so much and are so passionate about everything. Amazing.

Kim ever smiling and happy Kim. Thank you for every month sorting my Board Report, I can honestly say that I am happy knowing that today is my last board report. How you manage to get all the minutes written, all the agendas for all the meetings out and keep smiling is something only you could achieve. Thank you so much.

Maureen our PA, Adam please pass on my thanks to her. Maureen has managed to sort out my photo gallery each and every month for my board report and is excellent at sorting out computer issues which I have had a few for that I am very grateful to Maureen.

Please also say thank you to Dustin, still not quite sure what he does but I am sure it is very important.

There are many more from the Council staff/officers to thank, Audrey, Johan Lucia, Rob the list goes on for ages, so thank you to you all.

To my fellow Board Members it has been an interesting 3 years, we have had some great debate, we don’t always agree but we have achieved a lot for our community.

To Carmel, We have knocked heads on many occasions but somehow we remain friends through it all. A little story about Carmel – before we were elected and through the campaign of 2016 I was well aware that needed assistance with speech writing and speech presentation (appreciate that the only people I had ever presented to prior to this was reading countless lessons in Church). So I headed over to her house and she sat me down and got me over that first hurdle. Thank you Carmel for that time with you I will be forever grateful to you. I hope that we stay friends. Whatever happens on 12 October I wish you and Bruce all the best.

Toni you have had a difficult term as your health hasn’t been kind to you but I know that you are in a better place and I wish you well in Katikati. When we pass through Katikati in our mobile home aptly named Betsie Lee, (don’t ask but if you offer a better name let me know) we are going to pop in to say Hi to you and Tobi and have a cup of tea and some of your yummy home baking. I’ll be in touch...
David, it has been a pleasure knowing you and I wish you well in the future, I just wish you would say a bit more in our meetings so that we know what’s going on in that head of yours.

Troy Boy it has been fun getting to know you. Platonically speaking, thank you for your support and I wish you well for the future whatever it holds. Don’t be too hard on those black helicopters but can we remove a few of those terrible Oak trees planted in residential areas, shouldn’t be there. They are a Parks and Reserve tree!!!

Kit we have had our differences over the years but I wish you well for your future I know you have put your name down for the DHB but I also know there is another volunteer position I would like to seriously consider. Speak to me afterwards. All the best to you and your family.

And last but not least Colin. There is something about you Colin which is so very special, you drive me nuts sometimes being so pedantic but that’s you, and I know that, and I can respect you for that. I have so much appreciated your kind words and mentoring over the past 3 years. If you ever ask Colin a question don’t expect a short answer, go and get a cup of tea and sit back and enjoy the ride. The history lesson you are about to receive will be better than any history book. Thank you Colin, whatever happens on 12 October I do hope that we remain friends and stay in touch.

Phil Goff wrote to me the other day as he has done to all members not standing again. In his letter he summed up the Local Board very well, in my opinion.

This is part of what he said:

“Public Service can be a demanding job that requires a lot of time and energy which often comes at the expense of time with family. It also takes courage to put yourself out there to the public, withstand scrutiny and sometimes face criticism. However the rewards are also great when you can make a difference for the betterment of your community.”

Well said Phil I think he summarises the job of the local board members really well.

So that’s it from me, Ros Rundle,
I’m not going to be that person who says “I wish”
That window is open,
Here I come.