Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

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Attachment A

Community Partnership
Mt Wellington Roller Sports, a local story...

- 1961 - Original Rink built at Swimarama site. Concrete slab + Room
- 1968 - Moved to current site
- 1972 - Roof Finished (3 yr. project)
- 1979 - Building addition.
- 2003 – 2010 Major Building Renovation, in key partnership with local support.
- 2011 – 2015 Rink improvements produce greater community demand & volunteer management unable to meet operational need. Part time manager employed.
- 2016 Full time manager employed.
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Local Grants & Club members support have kept us improving the facility.

- 1. Replaced the roof
- 2. Extended the building
- 3. Replaced the Skate floor
- 4. Updated our 20 year old Skates
- 5. Purchased dehumidifiers
- 6. Developed additional Learn to Skate rink
Didn’t Roller Skates Fade Out with the 80’s?

Public Attendance at Skate Sessions,

- 2016: 23,193
- 2017: 29,554
- 2018: 34,246
- 2019: 33,471
WHO SKATES?

- **Ethnicity:**
  - European 41%
  - Maori and Pacific Islander 28%
  - Asian 18%
  - Other 13%

- **Age:**
  - 62% Under 18yrs
  - 38% Over 18yrs
  - 66% Attended as a family group, min 4 children skating.
9,312 skaters attended a Learn to Skate class at our Sports club in recent years...

Learn to Skate class attendance,

- 2016: 1,718
- 2017: 2,350
- 2018: 2,605
- 2019: 2,639
Mt Wellington Roller Sports Club – Schools Program.

"Confidence, Courage & Connection"

- **Skates in Schools:** to foster confidence, courage and connection amongst our young people by coaching a fun and recreational roller skating experience at local Primary and Intermediate schools.
- Provided to schools at no cost to them
- 14 Schools attended
- 1000 Students coached
- **After School Support:** Currently working to support:
  - OSCAR programs, YMCA, sKIDS, goodseed trust, Kelly Sports, Community centres, bizzybodz + many more.
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Increased community awareness & participation.

Involvement with Tūpuna Maunga Authority.

New Roller Sports initiatives.
Your support enables Mt Wellington Roller Sports Club to continue providing -

**FITNESS**
Skating is recognised as an aerobic sport by the American Heart Association. When compared to running, skating burns more calories with considerably less impact and stress on joints.

**CONFIDENCE**
Skating is a social activity where friends & memories are created. As your child's strength, skills & stamina increase, their self-image also improves.

**CHALLENGE**
Try a Wheel Sport! Speed Skating, Artistic Figure Skating or Inline Hockey. Skateland provides pathways to train and compete at national and international levels.
27 July 2020

Deputation to the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board on the matter of the future location of the Panmure sign

By Keith Sharp and Howard Sutton on behalf of the Panmure Community Action Group.

Good morning. Thank you for the opportunity to address the Board today on the issue of the relocation of the Panmure gateway sign.

Some may wonder why the Panmure Community Action Group is making such a fuss over this issue. In turn, the Panmure Community Action Group is wondering why we have been forced to make a fuss to prompt any action over an issue that should have been resolved years ago.

The Panmure sign stood proudly on the Panmure Roundabout for a quarter of a century. It is THE gateway sign to Panmure, and a whole generation of Panmure residents grew up with it. The sign is so iconic for this town that it is even pictured on the displays in this very room where we are now.

But it is not there any more because the AMETI planners dug it up a year and a half ago and stuck it in a Council depot in Meadowbank while waiting for someone else to decide what to do with it. It’s not as if the need for a decision is a recent development. It was obvious 14 years ago, when the AMETI Busway planners decided to get rid of the Panmure Roundabout for their new intersection.

But in all that time, there have been no genuine efforts at any level to address the matter of the sign’s relocation. The closest we came to it was an email from Peter King of the AMETI Planning Group to ourselves and the Panmure Business Association in 2012, in which he mentioned two possible new sites for the sign, including the same location that the PCAG is proposing (now known as AMETI Plans as Site 1), and also added “I expect the AMETI project will meet reasonable costs for the relocation and basic refurbishment”.

Mr King also stated that they would seek guidance from the community on this matter - but that was pretty much as far as things went, as the planning process for the AMETI Busway dragged on and the Business Association decided that the sign was not its responsibility.

Nevertheless, we had no reason to think that the AMETI team had in any way resiled from that commitment on the Panmure sign. Little did we know that they had - and that they had begun to make other plans for Site 1 that did not include the Panmure sign at all. They went a step further by off-loading all responsibility for the sign onto Panuku’s Unlock Panmure programme and told them to find somewhere else to put it instead.

All the while, we were repeatedly told that nothing could be done about the Panmure sign until there had been a thorough process of “Public Consultation”. But the public consultation never seemed to arrive. In fact, the nearest thing we have had to a public consultation so far was Board Member Nerissa Henry’s photo op the week before the sign came down in which about...
100 Panmure locals signed their names to say that they wanted the Panmure sign to stay at the intersection.

So, with no sign of progress, and with construction on the new intersection continuing, we decided to push the issue in April and make a proposal, based on AMETI planner Peter King’s commitments in 2012, that the Panmure Gateway Sign should be refurbished and relocated to the nearest place possible to its old location on the Panmure Roundabout - Site 1.

And that’s where the trouble started - and also when we realised that the AMETI planners had no intention of allowing the Panmure sign anywhere near “their” intersection but had already commissioned their own gateway artwork for Panmure - without public consultation. Auckland Transport’s AMETI team had effectively assumed the right to decide what THEY think Panmure should look like when they are finished with us, and what artwork THEY think should stand at the gateway to our town. And it wasn’t going to be the Panmure sign.

It is apparent to us now that not only has the Panmure community deliberately been kept at arms’ length for 14 years over this issue, but also that we don’t know who to believe or trust on anything we are told about it.

We cannot trust the commitments Peter King made in writing in 2012 because the AMETI planners have unilaterally walked away from them and seem to have washed their hands of all responsibility for the Panmure sign.

In May, we asked Matt Poland of the AMETI planning team if the planners had ever ruled out any specific locations for the Panmure sign. He replied that they hadn’t. Now, we find that they have - and specifically the location we have proposed.

On July 6, we wrote to this Board asking if you had been informed about the AMETI planners' commissioned artwork either when we wrote to you on April 30 or when we came to the Board on June 23. Mr Chairperson, you replied on July 13 that “myself nor the rest of the board were aware, on April 30 or on June 23, of the intention to install a mahi toi as gateway artwork at the preferred site identified by the PCAG.”

Yet, last week, Matt Poland informed us in an email that, since the Notice Of Requirement for the AMETI Stage 2A work was approved three years ago, "we have also provided updates on the urban design and mahi toi process to the Local Board."

Who do we believe in all of that?

Ultimately, all this comes down to process, because when we put all of this together, we are left with the distinct impression that seemingly every branch of Auckland Council, from Auckland Transport, to the AMETI planners, to the Unlock Panmure team, to our own Local Board, seems determined to prevent the Panmure Gateway sign from going anywhere near Site 1 while continuing to insist that no decisions can be made about the Panmure sign without full public consultation.
Instead, the prime gateway site in Panmure will be occupied by a new gateway installation, chosen and endorsed by bureaucrats and planners who don't even live in this town, and without the people of Panmure being allowed a choice in the matter - while the Panmure sign is relegated to whatever second-best place is left over for it.

So, that's why we're making such a fuss about it. And we would like to know what the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board knows, has always known, and what it really thinks, about the whole issue of the relocation of the Panmure sign. Because after 14 years of waiting, we believe that the Panmure community has every right to know exactly what has been going on with this issue behind closed doors.

Thank you.

Keith Sharp, Secretary.
Howard Sutton, Chairman

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