



## AGM MINUTES

THE OHAU CONSERVATION TRUST SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD AT THE GEAR CONTAINER, OHAU VILLAGE/LAKE MIDDLETON ON JANUARY  
22ND 2022 COMMENCING AT 10.05am.

PRESENT – Viv Smith -Campbell (Chairperson), Katrina Te Rito (Secretary), Helen McMahon.

IN ATTENDANCE – Bernie Wicht, Mary Miller and Rowan Sprague (Wilding Conifer Group).

### **1. WELCOME.**

Viv Smith -Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **2. APOLOGIES.**

Grant and Mary Eames, Warren and Rachel Baker.

### **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.**

Minutes of the previous AGM were taken as read and confirmed. Moved by Viv, seconded by Katrina.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES.**

i) Californian stink weed is appearing more in the village. Viv will photograph it and put a notice on the village notice board to alert people about this weed and how to control it.

ii) follow up on the poor storm water drainage by the container. The council is not going to do anything about it so a resident has dug and laid a drainage pipe and it works well.

iii) toilet on the A2O, nothing done about this yet.

iv) Viv has emptied the donation box, it contained a few Australian coins which will be swapped for NZ coins.

### **5. ANNUAL REPORT.**

Viv presented the Trust's annual report. Katrina moved to accept the report, seconded by Helen.

### **6. FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 1/10/20 to 30/9/21.**

The financial reports have been prepared by Michelle Paterson (Jolly Business Services).

The Trust's income for the year is \$71,173.04

with expenses of \$25, 268.40

resulting in an operational profit \$45,904.64

Thanks to Michelle for preparing this report.

Viv moved to adopt the financial report, seconded by Helen.

**7. CONFIRMATION OF OFFICERS.**

Helen moved and Katrina seconded that Viv Smith-Campbell be elected as Chairperson.

Helen moved and Viv seconded that Katrina Te Rito be elected as Secretary and Treasurer.

Viv moved and Helen seconded that the existing Trustees, Viv Smith-Campbell, Katrina Te Rito, and Helen McMahon were confirmed as Trustees.

**8. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS.**

Shelly McCully (Amuri Business) is to be appointed again as the independent examiner of the Trust's financial accounts for the 2021/22 financial year.

Moved by Katrina, seconded by Viv.

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS.**

i) Borage has spread in and around the village more than ever. It is an annual and we will encourage residents to cut it before it seeds as much as possible to minimise the spread.

ii) There are a lot of lupins on the reserve at the front of the Village. WDC is responsible for this. Agreed the Trust will write to the Council and encourage them to have a local contractor to do weed control. Also to ask Council if there is any support available for weed control on empty sections because weeds have taken off since the fire. The Trust recognises it is hard for absentee owners to know the state of their section and deal with this alongside other rebuilding etc activities. It is concerned that these sites become reservoirs of weeds that spread onto reserves and other private and public spaces, displacing native plants and undoing weed control the organisations (DOC and Ecan) and most people are undertaking. The long dry grass and weeds are also a fire hazard.

iii) Rowan Sprague from The Wilding Conifer Group shared some interesting information on her work, including about a 5 year research programme that is just starting to look at how to prevent the reinvasion of areas cleared of wildings. Thank you Rowan.

iv) Waitaki Boys High is offering labour sometime in February when school camps are held at Lake Middleton. Viv has suggested to them this could involve wilding removal or flowering cherry tree control.

**10. MEETING CLOSED.**

The meeting closed at 10.55am.

Signed by the Chairperson of the meeting as a true record of the meeting.

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