

MANUREWA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, 30th October 2023

Held at the Southmall Meeting Room Level 1, 185 Great
South Road, Manurewa

Meeting Opened at 6pm

1. Present

Neil Punja (Town Centre Manager), Tony Parkes (Chair - Bonded NZ), Ken Penney (Ken Penney's Barber Shop), Nick Bing (Southmall), Nilesh Kumar (Southmall Jewellers), Brett Norris (LJ Hooker), Sam Steel (LJ Hooker), Gail Toetu (Vaiola), Sosetine (Vaiola), Theresa Hellesoe (Vaiola), Vai Harris (Vaiola), Lisa Beale (Auckland Council), Andrew Lesa (Manurewa Local Board), Bev Perry (Manurewa RSA), Gabrielle Ariki (Manurewa RSA), Richard Simmons (The Advisor), Brian Blake (Wiri Licensing Trust), Matt Winiata (Manurewa Local Board)

2. Apologies

Valerie Hyland (Landlord), Joseph Allan (Manurewa Local Board), Bettyanne Crawford (Modus Community Housing), Joanne Uddy (Plunket), Amelia Setefano (Kainga Ora), Adam Alsaffar (Landlord), May (Malaysian Corner), Darius Singh (Gaia Earth Preschool), Ayr Jones (Auckland Council), Cliff McMahon (RSA).

Moved: NILESH KUMAR

Seconded: LISA BEALE

3. Confirmation of Minutes from 2022 AGM

Previous minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on 17 October 2022 were accepted as being true and correct.

No matters arising from these minutes.

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: NILESH KUMAR

4. Chairman's Report

Chairman's report was circulated and summarised by Chair Tony Parkes. No matters arising and report was received by all present.

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: LISA BEALE

5. Financials

5A.

Approval of Audited Performance Report for the Year ending 30 June 2023.

Question from Brian Blake, Wiri Trust - queried net change in cash deficit for the year. Neil and Tony replied advising timing of grant payments negatively impacting cashflow. Neil also advised net assets were negative as we had unused grants that were tagged for specific purposes.

Moved: NILESH KUMAR

Seconded: KEN PENNEY

5B.

That Manurewa Business Association receive and approve the 2024-25 budget which includes a BID targeted rate grant amount of \$363,825, noting there will be an increase of 5% (\$17,325) to the BID targeted rate grant for the 2024-25 financial year.

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: NILESH KUMAR

5C.

Ask the Manurewa Local Board recommend to the Governing Body the amount of \$363,825 be included in the Auckland Council draft 2024-25 annual budget consultation process.

Approval of the 2023/24 proposed budget.

Moved: NILESH KUMAR

Seconded: KEN PENNEY

Questions asked regarding if other BIDs are increasing rates. Answer yes:

Question asked why not more than 5%. Answer: we increased rates by 10% last year and agreed that a smaller increase for the following year was acceptable.

6. Introductions of Nominees

Seven nominations for 2023-24 Committee Members:

1. **Tony Parkes** – Bonded Insurance
2. **Ken Penney** – Ken Penney's Barbershop
3. **Nilesh Kumar** – Southmall Jewellers
4. **Lisa Beale** – Auckland Council
5. **Darius Singh** – Chrysalis Group Ltd
6. **Sam Steel** – LJ Hooker
7. **Brett Norris** – LJ Hooker

7. Voting of New Committee

- Rules 14 and 15 of constitution
- Minimum number of nominees (5) reached
- Nominees voted in automatically
- Nominations open to the floor

8. Confirmation of 2023/24 Committee Members

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: NILESH KUMAR

9. Appointment of Auditor

To appoint David Knightley of Blackmore Virtue & Owens as auditor.

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: NILESH KUMAR

10. Town Centre Manager's Report

The Town Centre Manager's Report was presented and discussed by Neil Punja. Copy of the report is attached.

Ken Penny acknowledged the improvements that Neil Punja has put into the MBA and was commended by all.

Motion

That the Town Centre Managers Report be accepted.

Moved: KEN PENNEY

Seconded: NILESH KUMAR

11. Update on Strategic Plan 2020-2025

Neil Punja presented an update on the Strategic Plan 2020-2025, available in magazine and online formats.

Motion

Confirmation of the MBA draft business plan 2024/2025 be accepted.

Moved: NILESH KUMAR

Seconded: KEN PENNEY

12. Confirmation of the MBA draft business plan 2024/2025

Neil Punja presented the MBA draft business plan 2024/2025.

Motion

That the update on the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 be accepted.

Moved: NILESH KUMAR

Seconded: LISA BEALE

13. General Business

Date of first Executive Committee meeting after AGM proposed for 27 November 2023.

Questions & Comments

- Question from Wiri Licencing Trust – where are we at with core business activities such as Night Markets. Neil replied with the need to activate after hours activities to activate our night time economy and increase night time safety. We were impacted by Covid. Southmall Food Truck area currently being trailed with the objective of a larger scale food market in Northcrest. Next steps to engage with urban designer and local business.
- Vaiola – what safety considerations will be put in place if there is a night market? Response – perceptions of safety need to be addressed alongside implementation of markets. CPTED principles explained. Markets need a good offering to encourage the right crowd to the markets. KP commented that it will be a big task. Neil reminds businesses to call ambassadors, security and police if there are any problems.

The meeting concluded at 7:00 pm.

Drinks and nibbles served.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Monday, 27 November 2023 at 5.45 pm in the Manurewa Business Association Office, 4 Station Road, Manurewa with a Zoom option available.

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