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● **AGM report**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on 13 April, following a keynote presentation by Daran Ponter (Chair of Greater Wellington Regional Council). Daran explained the responsibilities for water management in Wellington and the management plans that direct them.

Draft minutes of the AGM, including notes on Daran Ponter's presentation are available on the CPCA website

<https://www.churtonpark.org.nz/agm-documents>

During the meeting, the following people were re-elected to CPCA's Executive Committee:

President:	Brian Sheppard
Vice President:	Kevin Arlidge
Honorary Secretary:	Brian Sheppard
Honorary Treasurer:	Priya Baskaran

Other Executive Committee members:

Brian Vincent, John Tiley and Rachel Qi

Other officers

Richard Whinam was re-elected as Honorary Auditor.

● **Your Community Needs You!!**

The small number of committee members elected at the AGM means that we need to co-opt other members.

CPCA rules require that a "Quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be not less than four Executive Committee members".

At any meeting with just two absences, we don't have a quorum to make decisions. This affects both financial and operational matters and can limit our ability to meet deadlines for submissions, such as those routinely raised by the Wellington City Council (WCC).

Any Churton Park resident who has paid their subs can be co-opted to the committee. Monthly meetings are only about 60-90 minutes long so please contact Brian Sheppard secretary@churtonpark.org.nz if you would like to participate or need further information.

Even if your interest is limited to one-off tasks, you are warmly invited to help us. We would like to organise activities and events but can't do it by ourselves. If you have ideas and can spare a little time to help make them happen, we would love to hear from you.

● **Our Community Centre is Ten Years Old**

Invitation from the Churton Park Community Centre

Saturday 24 June, 10am-12pm.

It is amazing to think of the changes over its first 10 years. We're planning a day that showcases our history, our community and also looking to the future.

Come along and meet your Mayor, Tory Whanau. Discover the groups that meet at the centre and the opportunities that the space provides.

● **WCC consultations**

In our busy lives, it is easy to miss opportunities offered by WCC to share ideas, discuss important topics, provide feedback on policy and planning, and contribute to the future of Wellington.

One simple way of keeping abreast of these opportunities is to check WCC's Let's Talk website

<https://www.letstalk.wellington.govt.nz>. It is constantly updated and gives the background as well as the current status of the work. Some of the items at the time of compiling this Gazette are:

Long Term (10-year) Plan Priorities

This plan sets the Council's direction, outlines, priorities, how much it costs, and where the money might come from. Key stages for public input are:

April-May: Priorities

Engagement on key priorities for the plan, including an online survey and series of in-person workshops open to the public.

Mid/late 2023: Review of rating policies

Consultation on the review of rating policies, which will look at how the overall rates bill is divided up – that is, the proportion each property owner pays.

Mid/late 2023: Levels of service

Levels of service workshops, where groups of Wellingtonians provide feedback regarding community expectations about the levels of Council services provided given associated costs.

Late 2023/early 2024: Participatory budgeting

Participatory budgeting, where residents are provided with budgetary information and options, and can have a direct say in how their rates are used to address the needs and priorities of their communities.

Early 2024: Formal consultation

Formal consultation, where people can provide final submissions on the draft Long Term Plan for 2024-34.

Community Facilities Network Plan

WCC is currently analysing feedback from surveys held in November about peoples use of, and views about, community facilities (including community centres). This feedback and other analyses are intended to inform

development of the draft plan, which is expected to be available for feedback in July.

● **Wellington Draft Speed Management Plan**

WCC seeks feedback on its draft Speed Management Plan. It notes that most of Wellington city’s streets have speed limits that do not align with Waka Kotahi’s new speed calculations for safe streets. e.g. 30 km/h is considered a safe limit on streets where there is, or should be, more walking and cycling, especially for children, and creates a more accessible environment for all users.

WCC is asking Wellingtonians for feedback on;

- A speed limit of 30 km/h for all non-arterial (local) streets.
- A speed limit of 30 km/h for arterial streets within city and town centres, near schools, suburban shops, kindergartens, play-centres, early childhood education facilities and where cycling or pedestrian safety warrants lower speeds.
- A speed limit of 40 km/h for all other arterial streets (with exception for a few arterial roads, and regional, national, high-volume roads which would remain at 50 km/h).
- Lower speed limits where appropriate (e.g. the existing 10 km/h on Cuba Street between Wakefield and Manners streets).

The consultation is open until **Friday 30 June 2023**.

All information can be found at www.letstalk.wellington.govt.nz/smp

● **Korimako Play Area update**

Wellington City Council (WCC) expects construction of the play area in the south of Stebbings Valley to begin at the end of May, with estimated 8 weeks’ construction.

● **CPCA and Glenside Emergency Hub**

Five people from Churton Park participated in the Wellington Regional Emergency Management Organisation Hub exercise on 25 March at Tawa School. The exercise gave our Churton Park Hub team a good introduction on to how to setup an emergency hub and

how to operate it. The exercise provided some good lessons for the development of the Churton Park Glenside Hub. The intention is to conduct another exercise at Churton Park School later in the year. People interested in helping with manning the Churton Park Glenside Hub are invited to contact Kevin Arlidge at:

krarlidge@gmail.com

● **New walking track**

In March this year, a new walking track was opened in Churton Park, between Erlestoke Crescent and Chippenham Grove. Check the CPCA website for details and photos of this and other tracks in Churton Park.

This track begins next to 60 Erlestoke Crescent (near the junction with Waverton Terrace) and zigzags up the hillside to the ridgeline. A short side track leads to the survey station, which gives a great view of Churton Park and beyond. From there it follows the existing well-formed pylon track along to the cell phone tower.

A newly constructed section, which includes several flights of timber steps, descends to Chippenham Grove below. Near the bottom there is a bridge with a waterfall upstream. Both of the new sections have been built with zigzags to give an easily walkable grade. Although the track is on open hillside, WCC has carried out extensive planting so that it will, in the future, be a great bush walk.

● **Responsible pet ownership**

From time to time, residents ask CPCA what can be done about dog and cat owners who leave their pets to roam freely and cause a nuisance by leaving messes in other people’s property or endangering our wildlife. CPCA can only remind people of their responsibilities to others as well as those for the welfare of their pets. All we can ask is please show consideration for others.

This Gazette has been delivered to you by a member of the Churton Park Community Walkers.

Churton Park Community Association (Inc) Membership Form

All Churton Park residents are invited to join, and assist the modest budget of the Association. Subscription (please tick appropriate box)

<input type="checkbox"/> \$20	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$
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Please complete the details below and return with your remittance to:

The Treasurer, Churton Park Community Assn (Inc) 8 Tattenhall Grove Churton Park

Name.....

Address.....

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Email.....

Alternatively by direct credit to ASB Account Number 12-3223-0079397-00, with your identification.

Please also email the information and details of your payment to: secretary@churtonpark.org.nz

Your financial membership enables us to carry out communication, advocacy and community support