



Meeting 1 April 2019

Louise Follett – Who Am I?

Host: Stuart Hylton
Thanks: Kate Smith
Top Table: Stephen Lace
Sergeant: *Denis McGowan*

Meeting 8 April 2019

Guy Le Quesne: Walk from tip NI to tip SI

Host: Ann Petherick
Thanks: Don Gordon
Top Table: John Henderson
Sergeant: *Ian McGowan*

Meeting 15 April 2019

Denis McGowan – Whanganui Residential Built Heritage

Host: Ed Boyd
Thanks: John Wilson
Top Table: Stephen Lace
Sergeant: *Stephen Lace*

Apologies:

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**Attendance at Last Meeting:
(25 March 2019)**

Present -27
Apologies: - 6
Silent : - 8
41

Men's Care Bags

Donations for Men's Care Bags to Henry Ngapo. Items may be left at the meeting.

LAUREN TAMEHANA SAFER WHANGANUI

Lauren, who has lived in Whanganui for 26 years, is the project leader for the 'Safer Whanganui' initiative of the Whanganui District Council. Her background is in public health and she has previously worked for the District Health Board.

To assist in developing the council's strategy, a Safety and Positive Ageing Forum has been established. To achieve international recognition in this area, several aspects of living in Whanganui are considered. These include: transport, housing, civic communication, outdoor environment and social cohesion. To be able to judge how well our city does in each category, a process of wide consultation is being undertaken.

A standard four questions are being asked of various groups around the city to gather views, opinions and ideas. Lauren asked members to contribute to this by discussing the questions and providing answers on post-it notes which were attached to four sheets pinned to the wall. Although I cannot replicate these sheets, I can report that there was a spirited discussion resulting in her sheets being well filled with ideas. The questions were:

- What should Whanganui look like in 2050?
- What are we doing well?
- What can we do better?
- Any suggested solutions?

By mid-May there will be two community meetings held to discuss the material collected from the local groups, including ours. Lauren asked us to consider who else should be consulted for views. She also suggested that there might be other opportunities for feedback, including the website.

This meeting was different and allowed all members to be actively involved. Thanks, Lauren.

BOOK FAIR WEEK ONE OVER ONE TO GO!!

Many thanks to all those who have contributed to the sale this week. The hard work is paying off and we have made steady sales over the last 4 days.

So, take a break during the week and be ready and refreshed to make next week's 3 days even more successful. Just let Jo Thomson know when you are available to assist – every little helps!

District Conference 17 – 19 May 2019

Have you registered yet??

Remember to Apologise if you are unable to attend lunch

Maternal and Child Health Month