



## **Algies Bay Residents & Ratepayers Association** **July Newsletter**

### **Annual General Meeting**

Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers meeting was held at the Betty Paxton Room Community Centre 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015. Overall there was a good attendance (46 Persons), which is a reflection of a strong commitment to our bay. Again we were fortunate to have Councilor Penny Webster, Rodney Board members Greg Sayers and Beth Houlbrooke in attendance to make a brief presentation and to respond to questions from the floor.

### **Main points from the key speakers**

#### **Penny Webster**

- 47% of annual budget comes from rates. Rest is sourced from share, bonds and borrowings
- Ongoing challenges surrounding roads in Rodney
- Update on Long Term Plan expenditure such as Showgrounds, Western Collector Road, SH1/McKinney/ Hill/ Hudson Road upgrades and the Town Hall

#### **Greg Sayers/Beth Houlbrooke**

- the Long Term Plan where money gets committed for the next 10 years
- Breakdown of the Local Board structure and processes
- Focus for Rodney - Transport, Roads, Walkways and a regular bus service to Silverdale from Warkworth
- Rodney has 46% of the geographical mass under Auckland Council but represents only 4% of the population

### **Election of Committee 2015/16**

The elected committee for 2015/16 is:-

- Chairman - Richard Papworth
- Secretary - Brendan Chaffe
- Treasurer - Ray Harrison
- Peter Stoupe
- Brian McGrath
- Peter Bishop
- Nigel Hayman
- Sandy Garman

Contact details and portfolio assignments for the committee can be found on our Algies Bay website [www.algiesbay.co.nz](http://www.algiesbay.co.nz) Please contact any of our committee for matters needing our support or input

### **Donations**

Our committee is intent on supporting local organizations which provide significant support and involvement in our local area. Recently we made a donation Coastguard Kawau which was gratefully received. For more information on Coastguard Kawau go to the **Algies Bay website** home page and click in the "Coastguard Logo"

### **Coastguard Services**

Should you have the need to contact coastguard for services please be reminded that the following are the channels to be used

1. For general emergencies use channel 16. Note that Coastguard Kawau have mentioned that this channel encounters some weak spots in some of our areas. If this situation occurs use channel 82 but only by exception
2. For all other communications use channel 82

### **Northern End Seawall Upgrade**

As many of you have seen, the upgrade to the northern end seawall has been completed. This work was completed by Wharehine Contractors with minimal disruption to the bay residents and has certainly enhanced the look of the foreshore. The Algies Bay Residents and Ratepayers committee sent a letter to the Rodney Local Board thanking them for their help and support in seeing this project through from start to finish. Our letter was well received by the board members and those close to the project.

### **Kowhai Connection**

There is now a permanent bus service for our bay. The bus stop is located at the top of Alexander Road. The timetable for services can be found on the internet or from the driver or by phoning 0508kowhai

### **Local By-laws**

A reminder that feeding of wildlife is not permitted. Feeding can affect the ability of these animals to fend for themselves in the wild. Additionally, it can also cause a nuisance in our community such as attracting unwanted vermin, attacks on rubbish bins etc.

Recently it was highlighted that maintenance of boats on the foreshore is not permitted due to the potential contamination.

Currently Dog access by-law is under review across Auckland Council. Submissions have been called for which will be consolidated and summarized prior to hearings

### **Annual Subscriptions**

The annual sub has been retained at \$10/household which was passed at the AGM in April. Many residents have already paid and we thank you for your prompt payment. It is important for us to have a solid membership base as it provides our Association with a strong voice when dealing with Statuary Authorities on matters affecting our bay. Also Association funding allows us to support our local community and matters directly affecting our bay.

We welcome newcomers and current residents to join the Association. Simply contact one of our committee members who can provide a subscription form to complete. Also we deliver forms with our newsletter drop which provides information on payment options. We encourage new members to provide an email address so we can keep you updated on events etc.

Payment can be made by:-

1. Direct credit to the Association bank account **number 12-3105-0013354-00**. If paying by direct credit please send your email address to [ngh@igrin.co.nz](mailto:ngh@igrin.co.nz)
2. Post to **Algies Bay Residents & Ratepayers Association PO Box 12, Snells Beach 0942**

**Note: Annual subscriptions are now due for the 2015/16 year.**