



MANGERE BRIDGE VILLAGE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION INC

ANNUAL AGM

30TH OCTOBER 2025 @ 5.30PM

MANGERE BRIDGE LIBRARY, 5-7 CHURCH ROAD, MANGERE BRIDGE

Apologies: Lieng Kong, Justin Ng, Vincent Wong, Rupen Chand, Asa Vete, Pragnesh Thakkar, Anka Bartulovich, Abheek Patell, Year Patell, Nina Nguyen. Michael Huang, Sam Song.

Present : Maria Mortimer, Kate Adams, Corinne Cameron, Marcella Howarth, Zena Lowther, Keyur Patel , Sepali Naus, Michael Haddad.

QUORUM MET

Minutes of the AGM held on 24th October 2024

Motion: That the minutes have been read and approved and accepted as a true and correct record of the 2024 AGM.

Moved: Maria Mortimer **2nd:** Michael Haddad

Financial Reports

The Financial Reports were reviewed by BVO Audit.

Motion: That the financial report are accepted as tabled and read

Moved: Michael Haddad **2nd:** Marcella Howarth

Appointment of auditors

Motion: That BVO Audit is appointed as the auditor for the Current financial year 2025-2026.

Moved: Michael Haddad 2nd: Sepali Naus

Draft indicative budget 2026-2027: recommended target rate increase

The current targeted rate is \$36,465.000 per annum

Motion: Move to approve the following financial year 2026-2027 draft budget which includes a BID Targeted rate grant amount of \$38,288.00, including a 5% increase \$1,823.00 to the BID targeted rate grant for 2026-2027 financial year.

Further ask that the Mangere Otahuhu local board to recommend to the governing body that the amount of \$38,288.00 be included in the Auckland Council draft 2026-2027 annual budget consultation process.

Moved: Marcella Howarth 2nd: Sepali Naus

Draft business plan

Motion: That the draft business plan for the 2026-2027 period be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Maria Mortimer 2nd: Keyur Patel

Chairpersons Report

Motion: That the chairpersons report be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Michael Haddad 2nd: Zena Lowther

Village Manager Report

Motion: The Village Managers report be accepted as tabled

Moved: Marcella Howarth 2nd: Zena Lowther

Treasurer's Report

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted and tabled.

Moved: Maria Mortimer 2nd: Keyur Patel

Election of Committee Members by Block Vote

Motion: To accept the following people as committee members

Michael Haddad, Justin Ng, Maria Mortimer / Mataiasi To'Ofohoe (as alternates) Marcella Howarth / Shane Howarth. (as alternates)

Moved: Sepali Naus 2nd: Zena Lowther

Election

Chairperson – Maria Mortimer

Moved: Sepali Naus 2nd: Michael Haddad

Treasurer - Michael Haddad

Moved: Maria Mortimer 2nd: Sepali Naus

Secretary - Kate Adams (Village Manager)

Moved: Maria Mortimer 2nd: Marcella Howarth

Associate Members

Motion: That the associate member fee be set at \$375.00 per annum

This was discussed and we agreed that we would make the associate member fee \$250.00 per annum. We will look at contacting, The Gaff, The Vet, GAS Station, Village Fisheries, Osteopath and the Wanderers Tavern.

Moved: Sepali Naus 2nd: Maria Mortimer

Discussion

Business Directory and Promotion

A new Directory Card will be created for the year 2026 to update and promote local businesses within Mangere Bridge. Recently, the 275 Times provided a complimentary listing of businesses to help with promotion efforts. For future advertising of events in the 275 Times, clarification is needed regarding the associated costs.

Infrastructure and Development Concerns

There are ongoing and serious concerns related to carparking, cycle lanes, and future developments managed by Auckland Transport. It has been noted that the work completed so far is incomplete and presented poorly. The consensus is that no further works should proceed until existing issues are resolved to an acceptable standard. Committee would like to be advised of any future developments.

It is proposed to engage with Auckland Transport to discuss the possibility of painting red areas on the road outside the Fresh Choice carpark entries and exits. This measure aims to ensure these areas always remain clear, improving access and safety.

Unitary Plan Submission

Maria from Mason and Mortimer will prepare a draft letter for submission regarding the Unitary Plan. The deadline for submissions is 19th November 2025.

Business Engagement and Marketing

Efforts will be made to identify suitable dates and times to organise a quarterly breakfast or catch-up event for all local business owners. The goal is to foster networking and strengthen community ties among businesses in the area.

There is a need to explore new ideas and approaches for promoting the "shop local" initiative. The current methods are not proving effective, and alternative strategies should be considered to enhance local business patronage.

Traffic and Accessibility Issues

The closure of Walmsley Road is significantly impacting village businesses, with traffic congestion occurring most nights. This situation is making it difficult for people to access the area, leading to decreased sales as potential customers are deterred from stopping in the village.

MEETING CLOSED :6.40 PM