

Supporters of Tiritiri Matangi Inc. (SoTM)
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
Held on 17 September, 2018 at Epsom Community Centre,
202 Gillies Avenue, Epsom.

Supporters were welcomed to the 30th SoTM Annual General Meeting by Brian Chandler, Chairperson. The meeting opened at 7.30 pm

1. Apologies:

- Alan and Cecilia McCullough, Yolande Fothergill, Wendy Baily, Carne Blandy, John and Frances O’Ferrall, Jo Trent, Sue and Ashley Reid, Nina Smith, Vincent Maire, Dell Hood, David Meldrum, Heather Rogers, Mel Galbraith, Jonathan and Sharon Spring, Karin Gouldstone, Jenni Jones, Carl and Gaye Hayson, Aaron de Raat, Sue and Mike Rowledge, Kay Milton, Alison Chambers

2. There were no matters arising from AGM 2017 minutes:

- Moved by Malcolm de Raat and seconded by John Stewart that the AGM 2017 Minutes be approved. Carried.

3. There were no matters arising from EGM 2017 minutes:

- Moved by Malcolm de Raat and seconded by Geoff Beals that the EGM 2017 Minutes be approved. Carried.

4. Election of officers

- Brian Chandler (Chairperson)
- Kevin Vaughan (Treasurer)
- Gloria Nash (Secretary)

The above officers were elected unopposed.

- **Committee**

There were 10 nominations for the 9 positions and the following were elected:

Helen Bucksey
Hester Cooper
Simon Fordham
Barry Fraser
Carl Hayson
Peter Lee
Karen O’Shea
Jane Thompson
Ray Walter

5. Chairperson’s annual report was presented by Brian Chandler (attached and available on the website)

Moved by Brian Chandler and seconded by Malcolm de Raat that the Chairperson’s report be accepted. Carried.

Some key points from Brian Chandler’s report were:

- The passing of Jim Battersby. Jim and Barbara Battersby had formed SoTM 30 years ago and have left a huge legacy.
- As Kay Milton and Chris Hannent are stepping down as members of the Main Committee, Brian thanked them for all their work.

- One of our greatest achievements is that we have remained a close knit family.
- Planting on the Island effectively complete and there are many endangered birds, reptiles and insects which are thriving.
- 30 to 35 thousand visitors each year and a thriving education programme.
- \$8,000 raised by Supporters for the family of Jason Campbell after Jason tragically died. Jason had previously worked as a Ranger on Tiritiri Matangi.
- Looking to the future – changes to our administration to support where we are going but still incorporating our core values and plans for new Field Centre.

6. Treasurer’s report and financial statements presented by Kevin Vaughan (attached and available on the website)

Aside from the numbers Kevin pointed out that the reports contain statements of our objectives and outputs for the year. He went through the financials and asked if there were any questions.

- Geoff Beals queried the reason for having term deposits staggered. Kevin said that the reason for this is so that a term deposit doesn’t need to be broken.

Kevin thanked our various sponsors including the supporters and made mention of one strange payment being the payment of \$4,113.97 plus GST for the purchase of flies for the geckos.

He concluded by saying that he was stepping down as Treasurer at the end of the 2018/19 financial year and therefore a volunteer was being sought for the position of Treasurer.

Moved by Kevin Vaughan that his report be accepted and seconded by Bill Mancer. Carried.

Reappointment of auditors:

Moved by Kevin Vaughan and seconded by Malcolm de Raat that RSM Hayes be re-appointed as the auditors for 2018/2019. Carried.

7. Notices:

There were no notices.

8. Nomination of 2 new Life Members:

Moved by Brian Chandler and seconded by Simon Fordham that Ian Higgins and Cathy Catto be made Life Members of the Supporters of Tiritiri Matangi. This motion was unanimously approved with a round of applause.

The AGM concluded at 8:45pm

Guest Speaker:

Following the AGM a talk entitled “Bringing the Elegants back to Tiritiri Matangi” – An update on the collaborative project between SoTM and members of the NZ Herpetological Society to re-establish elegant geckos on Tiritiri Matangi Island was given by Hester Cooper and Roger Wallace.