

## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Eden Park Residents' Association, Inc.

**Venue:** Conference Room, Eden Park

**Date:** Thursday 16 February 2023, 7pm

**Committee Members Present:** Tony Wright (Chair), Victoria Toon, Sarah Jack, Shona Tagg, Sandra Khouri, Anthony McGivern, Jeremy Todd

**Other Members Present:** Maryann Wright

**Apologies:** Eamon Drumm, Martin Gaskell

Tony welcomed everyone present and confirmed that the requirement in Rule 20 for a quorum of 8 members has been met and the meeting can proceed.

**Confirmation of Minutes:** Minutes of the previous AGM held on 9 February 2022 were moved by Tony Wright, seconded by Anthony McGivern and unanimously approved by the meeting.

**Annual Report:** Tony welcomed those present and thanked them for attending. He summarised the key events of 2022. Refer Chairperson's Report below:

I'm pleased to report that 2022 finally saw a return to 'close to normal' in terms of events and activities at Eden Park (EP). The usual array of rugby, cricket and other sporting events resumed early in the year and proceeded uninterrupted through to year end.

Members will recall that, in 2020, EP secured resource consent approval for six concerts per year as part of a strategy to establish a stronger revenue base for the Park. The Covid lockdowns and restrictions prevented the concert schedule getting off to the flying start EP would have hoped for over the first 18 months but 2022 saw that change very much for the better.

Six60, Billy Joel, Guns 'n Roses and Ed Sheeran (2 nights) have certainly set the scene for what should be a regular roster of major artists performing at the stadium. For 2023, in addition to the usual schedule of Blues matches and community events, EP will be hosting games for the FIFA Women's World Cup. This is the largest women's sporting event in the world and should be a fantastic tournament for EP and the neighbourhood.

### 2022 EPRA Activities

- While the EP event schedule ramped up in 2022, the established protocols and principles for traffic and crowd control appear to have worked well with no member requests to address any significant issues with Eden Park management.
- On 23 June, EP announced they would no longer host school balls after a noise related incident generated significant media attention (non-member complaint). This was one of several noise and behaviour related incidents in the preceding couple of years.
- On 24 August, the Committee (available members) met with the Eden Park Trust Board Chairman, Doug MacKay and CEO Nick Sautner for a briefing on discussions between the Trust and the Auckland Council regarding future managerial control of EP. We requested the meeting as community stakeholders who could be significantly affected by any change of control. We became aware of the potential for a change in control

through a publicly available livestream of the Auckland Council's Governing Body meeting of 23 June.

- Doug acknowledged there had been discussions with the Council at the encouragement of Central Government. The discussions are focussed on integrating and 'synergizing' the use of stadiums throughout Auckland. He stated that the discussions were preliminary at that point (August 2022) and unlikely to be concluded before the local body elections which proved to be the case.
- We reminded Doug that EPRA had been very supportive of EP over recent years and that as an active community stakeholder, we expect to have input into any changes, especially on how the relationship with residents will be managed. The incoming committee will follow this matter closely.
- At last year's AGM, membership stood at 225 representing over 404 people. As of 16 February, membership is now 229 representing 408 people.
- Since the last AGM, the EPRA Committee has met 3 times. The Committee has also remained in regular contact via email and a WhatsApp group, especially around the time of concerts and other major events.

I'd like to express my appreciation to the Committee for their ongoing support and input throughout 2022 and thank the membership for their continued support and their active participation in our surveys when required. Without that high quality feedback, we could not continue to represent the residents as confidently and effectively as we do. Thank You.

A J Wright  
Chairperson

The Chairperson's Report was accepted unanimously, as moved by Sarah Jack and seconded by Victoria Toon.

**Financial Report:** We collect no membership fees, no income and no payments. Victoria Toon circulated the Annual Accounts for the year ending 28 February 2022 with a nil balance. The Financial Report was accepted unanimously, as moved by Shona Tagg and seconded by Anthony McGivern.

**Election of Committee:**

The following members were nominated by Shona Tagg and seconded by Maryann Wright to form the Committee of the EPRA:

Tony Wright  
Victoria Toon  
Shona Tagg  
Jeremy Todd  
Eamon Drumm  
Sarah Jack  
Sandra Khouri  
Anthony McGivern

The members nominated above were elected unanimously by all members present to form the committee of the EPRA.

**General Business:**

Victoria suggested that we move the AGM to November as this would fit better with the dates for filing annual accounts. Next AGM will be held in early November 2023 (date TBC).

The meeting closed at 7.15pm  
Minutes taken by Sarah Jack / Sandra Khouri