

Motueka Valley Association Newsletter

November 2011

next MVA Meeting

8pm Wed 16 Nov

@ Ngatimoti Memorial Hall

all welcome

PUBLIC MEETING ON MULTIPLE-OCCUPANCY

AT NGATIMOTI MEMORIAL HALL

19 OCT 2011

Last month the hall was full and buzzing for the public meeting held in place of the usual monthly MVA meeting.



The meeting was backgrounded in the last newsletter and the issue attracted strong interest from residents throughout the Tasman district. It was very well facilitated by Philip Woollaston, who managed to keep most comments and questions from straying too far off the topic.

Irma gave a brief outline of her recent experience (see last newsletter) which she saw as a catalyst to making some changes to the present rules regarding the number and type of dwellings per title allowed in the Tasman Resource Management Plan (TRMP).

Greg Mason gave a clear overview of the Resource Management Act which is the overlying direction setter for the TRMP. The RMA promotes sustainable management and enables the undertaking of activities (a dwelling is a residential activity), provided the environment is protected. The TRMP sets out for Tasman residents what activities are permitted. For example in Rural 2 land there is 1 dwelling per 50 hectares. Greg went on to say that the present rules are not taking into account the actual social and economic benefits of shared living, and that the plan needs to be reviewed to allow multiple dwellings on rural land where there is no environmental harm. Even simple changes like allowing cooking facilities in

sleepouts can enable multiple occupancies without creating any additional effect on the environment. Greg urged the council to take a leadership role and engage the community with an open mind on this issue.

Dennis Bush-King agreed with a need to review the TRMP. He said that this need has been accepted since 1996 and the decision to carry out a review was made on 6 Oct. 2011. However, this process is long and wouldn't be completed until 2014.

Steve Markham is also an advocate for a TRMP review. He said that the rural area has missed out in the review process but has now been given the green light with the announcement of the Rural Futures Project. He also talked about some of the risks of multiple-occupancy eg successive subdivision, fragmentation of land and (social) boundary effects.

Questions and comments from the floor brought up many aspects of the issue; impermanent structures, administrative costs, bureaucracy overload, the Health Act, the building code, hard economic times, benefits of living co-operatively, differing perceptions of good use of productive land and differing perceptions of community needs.

The mood of the meeting definitely supported introducing changes to the TRMP and two motions were put to a voice vote and passed;

that the TDC will review the TRMP provisions relating to multiple-occupancy in the rural zone with a view to supporting more flexible living situations.

that the TDC will agree not to take enforcement action against landowners who have buildings that currently do not meet the TRMP rules for multiple-occupancy until such time as the Plan has been reviewed.

The meeting closed at 10pm and was followed by a cuppa where discussions continued.

The above motions will be presented to the **TDC Environmental and Planning committee; 11.30am 23 November**. Any resident is welcome to attend this meeting. Also every resident is encouraged to be involved in the review process which hopefully will be set in motion after the above meeting. MVA will endeavour to keep Valley residents informed of this process.

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Term Four: 25 Oct.- 14 Dec

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