

**ERA Newsletter - August 2013**

Welcome to the August edition of the Ellerslie Residents’ Association (ERA) newsletter.

**Notice of public meeting**: On Tuesday September 3 at 7:30pm at Leicester Hall, Findlay St, Ellerslie, the Ellerslie Residents Association will be hosting a special “meet the candidates” public meeting. This will be an opportunity for residents to hear from and meet nominees from both the Orakei and Maungakiekie local board areas for the upcoming local government elections. Invitations have been sent to all those competing for local board and Councilor positions. We expect a strong turnout, so you may wish to arrive early to ensure a seat. The doors will open at 7pm.

If you have questions for the candidates, please could you email these to [ellerslieresidents@gmail.com](mailto:ellerslieresidents@gmail.com)

Our Treasurer will be on hand at the meeting to renew ERA membership. If you have not renewed your ERA membership, please bring along $10 and we will sign you up for the coming year. This money is extremely important as it enables the ERA to pay for venue hire and other activities which enable events like our public meetings.

The ERA is continuing to monitor progress on the Unitary Plan. This is the most significant document the Council produces for residents and will have a big effect on how our suburb grows over coming years. The Council is currently debating changes to the draft which was released earlier this year, but we await further information of the official notified version. We will update our website with news on the Unitary Plan when it becomes available.

An application for a liquor license to open a liquor store at 62 Michaels Ave has been made to authorities. The public hearing for this license will be held at 10am on 6 September at the Auckland District Court. For residents with an opinion on this matter, this is your opportunity to present your views.

In November, the first annual Ride to Conquer Cancer will start and finish in Ellerslie. It is a 200km, two-day ride to raise money for the Cancer Society Auckland. The Cancer Society is looking for volunteers from the Ellerslie community to help with the event. Please contact Lourens Viljoen if you can help (887-7433). Details of the event can be found at <http://ak13.conquercancer.org.nz/site/PageServer?pagename=ak13_homepage>.

The Ellerslie Residents Association is also looking for images of Ellerslie for both our Facebook page and for use in our various publications. These may be photos of some of our character homes, our main street, our parks or anything else you think demonstrate why Ellerslie is a great place to live. Please contact us if you can help: [ellerslieresidents@gmail.com](mailto:ellerslieresidents@gmail.com).

Last month the ERA was advised that there is a change planned to aircraft flight paths which would bring aircraft accessing Auckland Airport closer to the Ellerslie area. If you have any concerns about this or would like to find out more, please email our ERA email address.