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It's amazing how quickly the months roll by, and another AGM is upon us.

The GEBA Committee met nine times during the year. At each meeting, we receive updated reports from the management team and review upcoming activities and events, which include our popular family fun day events, which we couldn't do without the continued financial support of the Waitakere Ranges Local Board.

During the year we initiated more regular networking events at the RSA and it has been encouraging to see so many members coming along to meet and discuss what's happening in Glen Eden and taking the opportunity to network with each other.

Catherine Watson has continued to produce the Village Voice every two months and has really freshened up this long-standing publication. The issues continue to be well received but it does require continued support from members to ensure its on-going viability.

The BID has been exploring whether there is interest from property owners and businesses in the Great North Road and Waikaukau Road in joining the Business Association and enabling us to extend our area of influence and we will be putting forward a recommendation at this AGM to support a BID expansion poll to be carried out early next year.

Our executive committee of volunteers deserves a huge thanks for giving up of their time to help us with achieving good outcomes for Glen Eden - Ian Burkett, Bevin Mobberley, Nigel Somerville, John Wheaton, Warren Adolph, Rob Worker and Valerie Carroll.

I also want to thank Michelle Clayton who continues to play an important liaison role with the Waitakere Ranges Local Board with whom we have some good engagement with this year on how we can continue to improve Glen Eden.

I also want to acknowledge and thank our management team, BID Manager Gary Holmes and Membership Manager Kirstie Barton-O'Brien, who implement our work programme and maintain positive relationships with members and other stakeholders.

While I am stepping down from my role as chair at this AGM, having carried out the role for the last few years, I will continue to be involved as a Committee member.

Thank you everyone for your support this past year.



Natasha McDowall – Chairperson 2023/24