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## A COVID UPDATE (30 August 2021):

### Assistance needed?

First, we hope all our members are staying safe, and not finding this lockdown excessively harsh or difficult. Last year we offered to try to support anyone needing special assistance. Some of our individual members with special skills supported our offer, for which we are grateful. Nobody came forward requesting assistance, but that does that no help is required this time. Our offer to try to help remains. Just let us know.

## Proposed Apartments at Sandspit Road

The Environment Court hearing for the application to construct apartments in Sandspit Road should have commenced on 30 August. It has now been postponed until 6 December. Five days have been scheduled for the hearing.

## Hearings on Sale of Reserves

The proposed hearing on the sale of reserves has also been postponed. At the moment it has been rescheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September, with your Association speaking on the morning of 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will not be surprised to see the date changed again!

## Street Racers

Danny Wright has received a preliminary cost estimate of \$45,000 to install video cameras to monitor traffic and deter street racers. He is following this up and approaching the Howick Local Board to see what assistance may be available.

### "Support Local"

As was the case last year, we encourage our members to support our local shops, who will be do doubt be struggling with revenue streams because of the impact of the lockdowns. Those in our most immediate catchment area provide convenient corner dairy, butchery, fish and bakery supplies, as well as Indian takeaways; Thai eat-in and takeaway services, a hairdresser and general supplies. We are also fortunate to have an excellent restaurant – Windross – at the beach. Still close to home we have a wide range of retail and hospitality outlets in Howick itself. As the economy opens up – hopefully in the not too distant future – do consider giving these businesses some patronage, thus helping them recover from what has been a difficult time for everyone.

### Web Site

Don't forget to look at our web site <u>www.cocklebay.co.nz</u> for more information!

### Renewals

Many of our members have now renewed their subscriptions. We also welcome new members. If you have not yet renewed, then our bank account details are on our web site.

Stay positive. Test negative!