



**GREYTOWN COMMUNITY BOARD
THREE YEAR PLAN**

OUR COMMUNITY

- Greytown is a picturesque, small town with a strong historical focus. It is the home of the vibrant and historically significant Papawai Marae and is also known for its English settlement inspired heritage main street.
- Greytown's easy connection to Wellington and the broader Wairarapa region stimulates tourism and entrepreneurship. Established farming, commercial and other professional sectors support opportunities for residents of all ages.
- Greytown's young people are encouraged to project their aspirations for Greytown's future.
- Environmental and infrastructural needs of the town are important considerations for Greytown residents currently and into the future.

OUR VISION FOR THE BOARD

Greytown's Community Board aspires to make a difference. It seeks to

- Engage with, listen to and advocate for community interests
- Engage with local Iwi to better understand the historical and cultural significance of Papawai Marae and the perspectives of the Mana Whenua as an integral part of Greytown
- Acknowledge and support key events and celebrations that promote cultural diversity
- Continue to work with SWDC as an effective partner in Ward issues.

PRIORITY AREAS

- To listen to and understand the needs of residents and to support new ideas
- Support and progress the development of the Main Street project
- To inform the community of SWDC decisions that affect Greytown
- Support key community events such as the Christmas Parade, Carols at Cobblestones, Christmas in the Park, Matariki, Waitangi Day, Māori Language Week, Mid-Winter Festival and Arbor Day
- Respectfully commemorate each year those who have fallen in Wars
- Work with Greytown Primary School and Kuranui College to provide murals for our local swimming pool
- Promote and encourage use of Greytown library and Greytown Town Centre facility

- Connect with Kuranui College and encourage feedback, interaction, regular meetings and input into Community Board meetings
- Encourage developments which cater for future generations
- Encourage meetings with key people and organisations in Greytown including Mana Whenua, Rotary, Lions, Inner Wheel, Greytown Heritage and Cobblestones.

A WELL CONNECTED, LIVEABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TOWN

Advocate for:

- improved safety for those travelling on foot and using bicycles around Greytown
- wheelchair friendly roads and footpaths
- bilingual signage around Greytown
- the review of speed limits
- adequate maintenance and accessibility of community assets
- better public transport links between the towns and to Wellington
- a complete review of the District plan to enable sensible residential and commercial growth to occur
- increasing engagement with Greytown youth through use of social media e.g Instagram, Facebook et al.

A VIBRANT TOWN CENTRE

- Advocate for and support community efforts that encourage tourism and related events
- Continue to promote increased lighting in Stella Bull Park, murals in the pool, attractions for Colliers Park and increased activities for families in Greytown
- Continue to look at ways for the community to make use of the Greytown Town Centre.

INCREASE DEMOCRATIC DECISION MAKING

- Identify opportunities to inform and involve residents regarding the process of decision making that affects Greytown.

GREYTOWN A SUSTAINABLE TOWN

- Support environmental initiatives, encourage the involvement of pre-school groups, junior schools and Kuranui College in projects that support the environment
- Support voluntary groups involved in gardening, trees and wider environmental projects
- Support the continuation and extension of sporting activities in the schools and community
- Encourage the provision of additional green space in Greytown
- Encourage initiatives that enable the older population to benefit from the digital age.

A PROFESSIONAL AND WELL RESPECTED COMMUNITY BOARD

- Continue to promote our activities via Grapevine, Facebook and the SWDC website
- Consult with SWDC to ensure that proposed community events are easy to run and compliance with SWDC regulations is simple and affordable
- Provide feedback to the community on successful grant stories
- Ensure that our funding criteria supports the projects and groups which deliver local benefits in a cost-effective manner
- Engage constructively with SWDC by presenting this plan to Council.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD

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- Schools and Kuranui College Ann Rainford
- Heritage Liaison Simone Baker
- Sports facilities Alistair Plimmer
- Tourism and Business Ann Rainford
- WREMO and Civil Defence Liaison Shelley Symes
- Working with Stella Bull Park Users Group Ann Rainford and Graeme Gray
- Beautification Projects Graeme Gray
- Plans for Main Street Alistair Plimmer
- Waiohine Action Group Rebecca Fox
- Greytown Information Centre Ann Rainford and Shelley Symes
- Greytown Tree Advisory Group Graeme Gray
- Papawai Stream Care Group Simone Baker
- Greytown Wheels Park Steering Group Aimee Clouston