

**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
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Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015

To: Draft Annual Plan
South Wairarapa District Council
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SWDC DRAFT 2014/15 ANNUAL PLAN

Submission by Perry Cameron on proposed Featherston Town Square

Reference: Page 15 DRAFT 2014/15 ANNUAL PLAN:

‘The final configuration of the recently swapped land in Featherston is not yet known, depending on the result additional funds may be required from reserve funds, existing capital or operational budgets, grant funding, or as a last resort rates.’

SWDC Draft Annual Plan

I attended Featherston’s SWDC Draft Annual Plan presentation on 6 May 2014, and expressed concerns at the lack of a business case for the use of land acquired through a swap that ceded Featherston public land to Masterton Licensing Trust.

Community Board Meeting 13 May 2014

I also attended the meeting of the Featherston Community Board, Item 3: Public Communication, on 13 May 2014. (My personal feedback response of 03/04/14 Appendix I - the document did not appear on the SWDC website response listing.)

I spoke and made reference to the community’s response to the SWDC request for feedback on the Proposed Featherston Town Square Development. Based on Council’s statistical summary of Feedback returns received (about 150), from 1,200 survey forms distributed, only some 6 percent of residents supported the ‘suggested Town Square/Menz Shed concept’. The lack of response by residents overall was telling.

Further information on Featherston residents’ suggestions would be most helpful, prefacing more comprehensive public consultation and meetings. ‘Local public service’ considerations should include:

- Development of Featherston’s facilities for trade and enterprise, employment opportunities, and thus improved quality of life.
- Economic incentives for new business: such as precedents for start-up discounted rental charges and rate relief for public land.

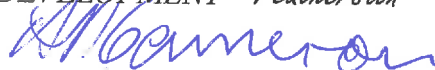
Clearly, Council would improve the debate and potential outcome for the Featherston community by preparing and circulating business cases for both aspects: the Town Square development, and the Menz Shed concept & best site.

I concluded by also expressing the view that urban design expertise was essential: such as currently under consideration in Carterton, Porirua City, and Paihia. Creative Communities International (‘CCI’) (David Engwicht, Director) has provided the attached fliers *How to Get Started; Co-created Places; and Summary of Services*. I have no association with CCI.

FEATHERSTON LAND SWAP – A different view (18 October 2013)

The writer’s document (Appendix II) refers to the 25 August 2013 announcement by SWDC of the ‘land swap’ with Masterton Licensing Trust. The attached statement in response was provided to Council at the time. Reference is made to the two previous Featherston business-working group studies: mentored by Shane McManaway; and previously ‘*Have your say – PROPOSED TOWN SQUARE*

DEVELOPMENT – Featherston’



R Perry Cameron, 19 May 2014

FEEDBACK: PROPOSED FEATHERSTON TOWN SQUARE

Personal response to Questions:

1. No, I do not support the concepts as described. Refer to the writer's 8.10.13 views in the attachment, as circulated to Community Board members.

Additional Comment: Masterton Licensing Trust (T/A 'Trust House') failed to complete the original supermarket development, despite nominal rental granted by Council for an expected 18 year term (to 2020).

Following Mayor Adrienne Staples's public announcement at the Featherston community meeting on 25 August 2013, Council wrote to the Minister of Local Government, Hon. Chris Tremain on 2 September. Council's stated intent at that time was to develop the combined land block as an 'additional hard surface recreational area (following consultation with the public). The claim is made that 'SWDC and Featherston residents are very excited about this overall development which will help revitalise this small New Zealand town.'

These are ambiguous statements: at that stage no public consultations had taken place.

Moreover, Mayor Staples on 29 October informed the writer that the 'town centre area '..."could be leased or sold in the future. There was no call to consult with the Featherston Community over this transaction as we were not divesting assets, committing funds or making policy decisions."

However, another ambiguity: "As this concept however is not considered in any current plan and has no budget, never has there been any suggestion that it would not require full consultation." (Ibid)

Recommendation: Council convene a public meeting to discuss Feedback and options as submitted.

The generosity of Trust House in offering the current liquor store building as a Featherston Men's Shed in acknowledged. However, based on my understanding of the space needed and used in other Wairarapa Men's Sheds, the proposed facility would be small.

Of greater concern would be its location – in what should be the new heart of the town.

Recommendation: That Council support the Men's Shed concept, sited elsewhere in a more suitable location on public land.

2. Sell, lease or develop land for commercial and retail purposes. See also GO Wairarapa relevant comments 30/4/04 on 'Our Town' for Featherston.
 3. 4.
- Refer the attached PC Statement on Land Swap (8.10.13), ETHOS and worksheet for Town Centre.

Recommendation: Review and initiate the 2011 Shane McManaway case: 'Featherston, a breath of Fresh Air'; recharge 'Our Town' with Destination Wairarapa input.


Perry Cameron
3 April 2014

FEATHERSTON LAND SWAP – A different view

Mayor Adrienne made the public 'land swap' announcement on 25 August at the Featherston Crime Prevention and Community Support Meeting, held at the ANZAC Hall, and attended by about 600 residents for the real business of the day.

Masterton Licensing Trust, for commercial reasons, chose not to proceed with its planned extensive Featherston-retail upgrade. Now it owns the land! 'Trust House' has a pot of Featherston gold to sell, as it will. The charitable trust certainly knows its boundaries: in the 2013-year a grand total of \$5,250 was distributed to four Featherston clubs, the Community Patrol, and Lions Club – out of total distributions of \$2.8 million, about 0.19 percent!

We are left with a black hole in the heart of Featherston. I have expressed my concerns on the 'chicken before egg' circumstance, not the unknown facts or the politics, by the following means:

- (a) At the subsequent Lion's Club, 'Meet the Candidates Evening' at the Anzac Hall, 16 September;
- (b) Arrow FM (92.7FM): 'Community Board Election Special' for Southern Exposure, the Community Access Radio. Lucy Cooper has provided this link:
<http://recooper8.wordpress.com/2013/09/17/lots-to-look-forward-to-on-arrow-fm-92-7fm/>, and
- (c) In my 'five issues' and profile on <vote.co.nz.>: "The Town's strategic plan needs to re-address the proper & best community usage of recently announced land-swap assets..."

Public consultation should have been the imperative before Council reached such a significant decision on disposition of public land. Notwithstanding the lack of community consultation, ministerial approval has already been given. Approval of what, exactly?

In my view, Featherston has sufficient space already for a 'town square', somehow defined. The core components already exist: historic Fell museum (and several more), an information centre, library, playground, mini-rail, ANZAC Hall, skate-park, creative outdoor art, and so on.

Two years ago Family Works hosted a business-working group study and presentation, mentored by Mr Shane McManaway.¹ The team developed a concept for Featherston's economic development and wellbeing, with fresh options for the future. Council needs to get with it. For example, there is scope for small business outlets for the sale of South Wairarapa's horticultural and pastoral produce. More 'town square' space is not what Featherston or South Wairarapa needs.

Perry Cameron

Perry Cameron
18/10/13.

¹ See attached Featherston PROMO draft and ETHOS.

Accommodation

B&B potential
'Longwood' &
Lodgings
Two Hotels
Motel

Location

Central to South
Wairarapa.
Hard ride by road
from Wgton., easy
from the north. R.
Hill upgrade.
Easy rail commute
to Hutt, Wgton and
Stadium. Now seen
as a potentially a
dormitory suburb
for professionals –
need to avoid
Kapiti's mistakes.

Entertainment

On completion of
shopping centre:
movie theatre +
Kiwi Hall potential;
Existing skate park;
golf courses; Fell,
township, and
military museums.
Potentially a
component of trail
rides and walks,
including Wairarapa
Moana.
Martinborough Fairs
– NZ's two largest
fairs.
Food & Wine/Toast
Fairs, French Fair.
Tauherenikau track.

Culture & History

Close to Papawai
Marae; Grand old
homes;
Stonehenge-
Aotearoa; Prisoner
of War Camp
(Anniversary?);
Cross Creek and
Rail Trail; Mountain
ranges/reserves
(Barr-Brown Bush
Reserve) and South
Coast.sites (DoC).
Three Schools.
Lions Club, Rotary
SW

**Agriculture,
Horticulture &
Fishing -
Wairarapa**

Large dairy herd;
highly rated sheep
breeding;- potential
to allow viewing of
milking and
shearing.
Martinborough/Glad
stone active in
horticulture –
several public
events. Ngawi port
the centre for
second largest
fishery in NZ.

Issues

Part of Greater
Wellington: Public
Relations exclusions
and Stats. NZ
issues.

Oppportunitites

Tauherenikau track.
Market to foreign
tourists & NZ-ers.;
Regional Media,
Facebook, local
papers, and web
sites. Acknowledged
in business
publications.
Generation Baby-
boomers and X,Y.
Proximity to WOW,
Hot Air Balloon,
Shearing events,
and Mount Bruce
wild life.
Easy and
competitive cycling
routes; extended
trails.
Featherston Trails.

Contacts/Mentors

Mayor Adrienne;
Chair GW Fran
Wilde; John Hayes
MP, locals.
Wairarapa business
groups.

¹ The township is named after Isaac Earl Featherstone 1813-1876. (See Dictionary of New Zealand.) Featherston became the centre for Featherston County, the centre for a very large district also encompassing Martinborough, Greytown, and Carterton.
The general area was known to local Maori as 'Paitumokai', commemorating the loss of a Kookako, a chief's pet parrot.

ETHOS: the characteristic spirit and belief of the Featherston community. Our challenge is to make a positive and ongoing difference to the town's future.

Action Plan

- Listen to Shane McManaway: review the case "Featherston, A breath of Fresh Air".
- Identify areas of strength and concern.
- Define our mission and pathway forward.
- Find owners for the new direction.
- Make a five year action plan.
- Find managers for the plan.
- Agree on areas of immediate focus: enhance strengths and diminish weaknesses.
- Always promote success.

Vision

- ❖ Featherston regains its place in the Wairarapa community.
- ❖ Featherston's potential is recognised, and drives fresh business and quality of life initiatives.
- ❖ Featherston's current attributes and future achievements are recognised.
- ❖ Featherston grows a culture of success and achievement.

HOW TO GET STARTED

CREATING GREAT PLACES



David Engwicht | Director

After 25 years of Place Making, we highly recommend that clients start with the Exploring Possibilities Workshop.

It helps us design a better program for you, and builds a much stronger foundation and support base for what follows.

The Exploring Possibilities Workshop allows you to test the possibilities of an integrated, agile approach to place making, for a very small investment.

COST: \$2000 all inclusive (design of workshops, delivery, all travel and accommodation, and production of proposal). This is half the normal cost.

GETTING STARTED

1. EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES

A series of workshops, over the course of a day, with Councillors, staff, business and community leaders to explore collaborative approaches to creating great places in your focus area.

2. PROPOSAL

Based on the outcome of the Exploring Possibilities activities, we will send you a targeted proposal.

DELIVERY

3. MEASURE VITALITY

We measure the vitality of your focus area, which helps us design more effective initiatives. It also provides an evidence base for measuring the success of your programs and projects.

4. PLACE MAKING FRAMEWORK

We analyse your focus area and map what is working, what is not, opportunities and strategies. This helps get all players on the same page.

5. ACTION PLAN

We work with you and your stakeholders to design the best suite of initiatives, with the available resources, and to create a pragmatic Action Plan.

6. IMPLEMENT

The Action Plan is implemented, with support from Creative Communities.

WRAP-UP

7. RE-MEASURE VITALITY

We re-measure vitality in order to evaluate the success of your program.

8. REPORT

We send you a report outlining what was done, outcomes and recommendations for the future.

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BECAUSE PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES DESERVE GREAT PUBLIC PLACES

CO-CREATED PLACES

MAKING ONE GREAT PLACE... TOGETHER



David Engwicht | Director

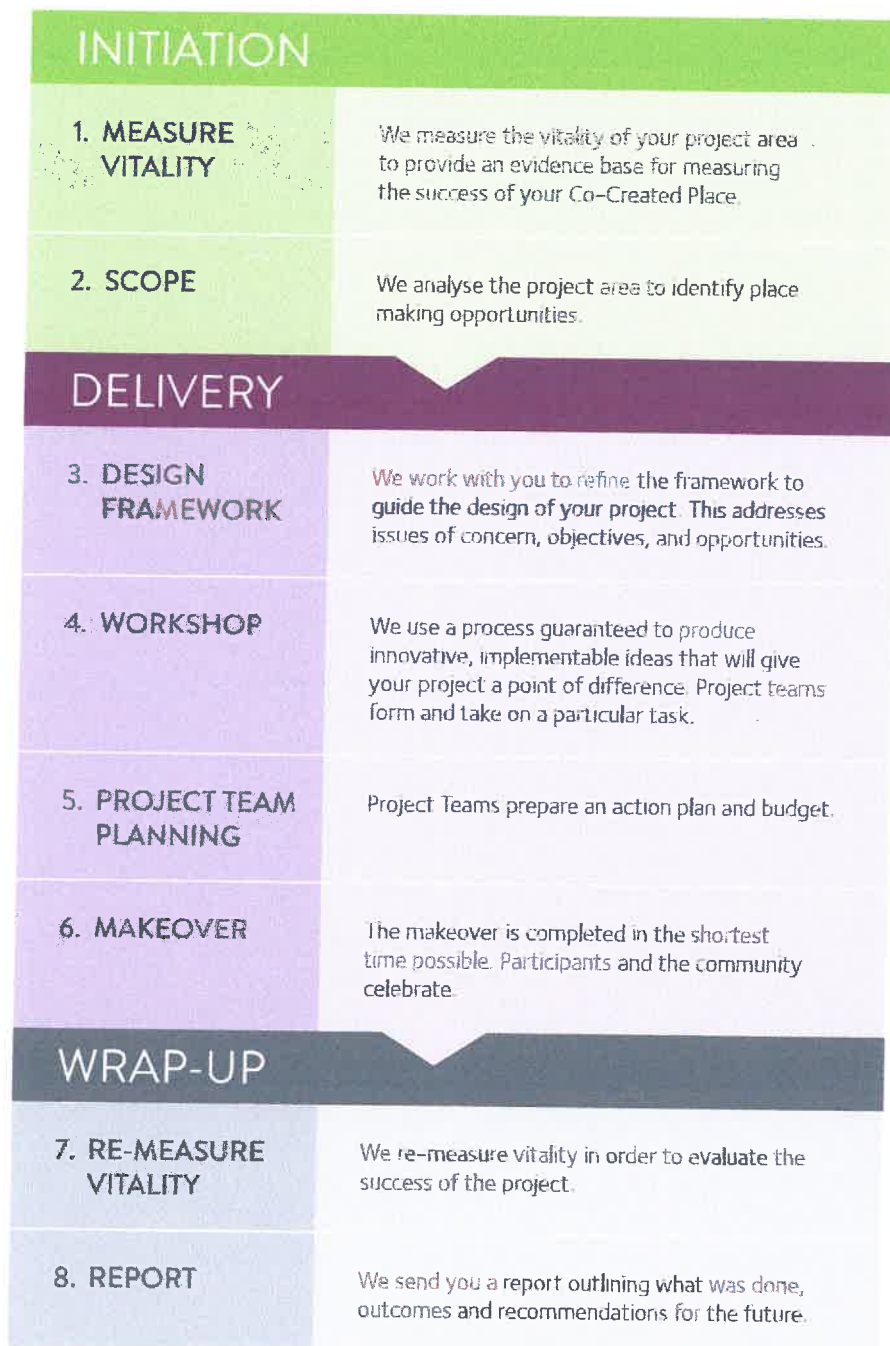
When communities work together to build a great place they discover that they have also built resilience, optimism, and civic pride.

The toilet block in Paihia was the town embarrassment. The only thing the town could imagine doing was to bulldoze it.

But I thrive on the challenge of turning deficits into assets.

In just nine days, at a fraction of the cost of a traditional makeover, this toilet block was transformed into a major tourist attraction. (See story next page.)

Paihia has gone on to make ten great spaces, their capacity expanding with every project. Now they are inspiring other towns in their district to do the same.



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The Paihia Story

This toilet block in Paihia, NZ, was transformed from town embarrassment into a tourist draw card in nine days.



How it began...

The Paihia story actually started 18 months earlier with the first co-created place – the creation of a civic heart in a formerly dead corner.

This space, created on a budget of just \$5000 for materials, and completed in three days, has become a people magnet.



The Wodonga Story

This blank wall degraded the main street of Wodonga. As the city Place Maker, David Engwicht converted this wall into an outdoor art gallery. Designed and built by David Bell and Gary Tippett.



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SUMMARY OF SERVICES



CO-CREATED PLACES

Bringing people together to transform an ordinary space into an extraordinary place.

For those who want the community to work together in creating one memorable or iconic place

WHAT YOU GET

- A transformed place that the community is proud of.
- A great place that is a magnet for people

HOW IT WORKS

- The community is invited to a workshop where they create a Resources Bank (what they have to work with)
- Teams "compete" for the most creative way to use these available resources.
- The best ideas are identified and people form into Project Teams and plan for particular parts of the makeover.
- The space is made over in the shortest time frame possible
- The community celebrates

HOW IT IS IMPLEMENTED

- You tell us what you want to achieve and the budget you have to work with.
- We establish some "base measures" so you can measure the success of the project
- You invite people to the workshop, and we facilitate the workshop.
- Project Teams prepare for the makeover.
- We ensure the project is project-managed to the highest professional standards.
- We measure the success of the project and send you a report.

PLACE MAKING PROGRAM

Resourcing retailers and residents to take personal responsibility.

For those who want to empower retailers and citizens to take numerous small place making actions

WHAT YOU GET

- Revitalised places for lower cost.
- Public places with personality.
- Engaged citizens

HOW IT WORKS

- Retailers and residents are given the tools they need to work together in undertaking small, meaningful place-making projects
- These people come together on a regular basis to share their experiences, inspire each other, and invite other people to join in
- The cumulative effect of the small actions is a revitalised public place.

HOW IT IS IMPLEMENTED

- You tell us what you want to achieve and the budget you have to work with.
- We customise the program and materials to meet your needs.
- Before the program starts, we establish some "base measures" so you can measure the success of your program.
- We support you in launching and running the program.
- We measure the success of your program and review it with you

CONSULTING SERVICES

Helping you find creative solutions to your problem spaces.

For those who want the community to work together in creating one memorable or iconic place

WHAT YOU GET

- A pragmatic action plan that tells you what you need to do next
- Benefit of 25 years experience.

HOW IT WORKS

- We do a Place Audit of the space with you
- We work with you (and relevant stakeholders) to generate creative solutions
- We integrate the best ideas into a pragmatic action-plan.

HOW IT IS IMPLEMENTED

- You give us background information
- We design a process that will generate creative solutions – including a Place Audit of the space.
- We facilitate the agreed process
- We send you a report which contains your pragmatic action plan. This document can be distributed to participants or other interested parties.

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Application to South Wairarapa District Council's Annual Plan

16th May 2014

WAIRARAPA BALLOON FIESTA 2015

The Wairarapa Balloon Society thanks the Council for the financial support that you have given to the Balloon Fiesta in past years. The event holds an iconic status on the Wairarapa event calendar and remains part of the fabric of the Wairarapa community.

We are seeking funding support from the South Wairarapa District Council to assist with the running costs of the 2015 Balloon Fiesta.

The event is organised by a group of local people, including local balloonists, who are committed to ensuring we achieve a positive national profile for our region. The Society's dual objectives remain, to promote the economic development of the Wairarapa region and engender community pride in the residents of the Wairarapa.

The 2014 event had the following characteristics:

- ✓ A four day event in mid March featuring 23 hot air balloons
- ✓ visiting pilots and crews arrange their own accommodation
- ✓ pilots and crews are supplied breakfasts
- ✓ the LPG/propane gas is supplied
- ✓ flights were from locations in Masterton, Carterton and Martinborough
- ✓ promotion of the event in local and national media, including coverage by TV3
- ✓ school visits on the Thursday afternoon and special shape at the Wairarapa College gala
- ✓ burner parades through Carterton and Greytown
- ✓ two special shape balloons featured (Patriot the space shuttle and Mike Pero House)
- ✓ a Night Glow was scheduled on the Saturday night at Solway Showgrounds, but was cancelled due to weather (Cyclone Luci arrived that afternoon)

Three excellent mornings flying saw the balloons put on colourful displays across the Wairarapa. Social media (Facebook) was utilised very successfully to communicate updated information on a timely basis. The extensive 'reach' of this media meant the many stunning photos of the balloons over Wairarapa were quickly and widely disseminated. Free public access to the morning lift-offs and the burner parades saw thousands of people, mainly family groups, enjoy these events.

This year we had great success with a burner parade through Greytown and a flight over

Martinborough, with the support of the local business association. The pilots love the flying conditions over Martinborough and this year was one of the best. The extra 'buzz' generated by the balloons being in town added to a very busy weekend. The synergies between the events were able to be linked for some great experiences by visitors and locals alike. Many Martinborough people awoke on that Saturday morning to marvel at the sights overhead and converse with people in balloons only meters above their houses.

We also had tremendously positive feedback about the Patriot space shuttle balloon – a unique and wonderful sight in the Wairarapa skies - and it gave us a prime time slot on TV3's Campbell Live. The media profile was also enhanced through Newstalk ZB's live broadcasting from a Carterton café where the crews were having breakfast on the Friday morning. Local business support was great, particularly The Pukemanu and Pain & Kershaw Mitre10.

The loss of the Night Glow revenue has resulted in the Balloon Society running a loss on the 2014 event. All of the prior years' carried forward funds have been utilised, leaving a no back-stop funding going forward.

In order to plan the 2015 event with confidence, the Balloon Society is asking the South Wairarapa District Council to confirm its support by committing a grant of \$7,500.

We will continue to seek increased commercial sponsorship in order to grow the event, but we recognise our funding reliance on the local Councils and charitable grants. Our event generates economic benefits to many local businesses and a healthy boost to our community's overall well-being. We believe these benefits justify a level of community support. We are committed to the fiesta remaining an iconic and key feature of the Wairarapa's event calendar, but our finances have taken a hit. We intend organising a meeting of current and potential local sponsors and supporters to reaffirm the Wairarapa's support and enthusiasm for the event.

Hot air balloons and the Wairarapa are a natural partnership – we have a wide open valley, unrestricted airspace and usually favourable weather.

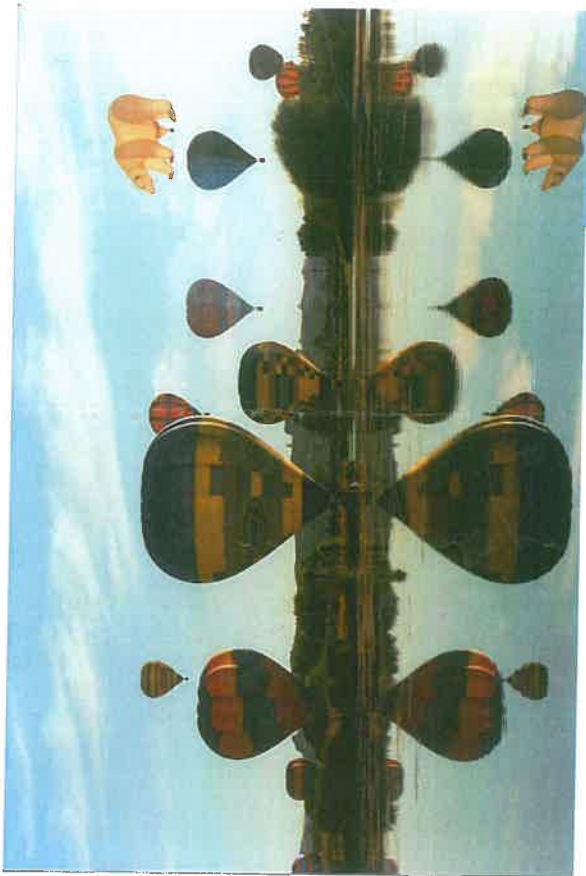
We look forward to South Wairarapa District Council again becoming a major sponsor of this iconic Wairarapa event with a grant of \$7,500.

Yours faithfully



Jonathan Hooker
Chairman

Wairarapa Balloon Society Inc.



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19 May 2014


Martinborough Town Hall Submission.

I submit my support for the proposal to retain and strengthen the current building, and extend it to incorporate a library, information centre and other community rooms.

The Martinborough community has a wonderful spirit and is very supportive of local activities, and the town hall I believe, plays an important part. An example of this was the recent Madcaps show which was hugely successful, selling out three of the four evenings, and mostly from our local community.

I think the centralising of the library, information centre and other community activities around the town hall is a great idea, and in particular I can see the marriage of these services with the playground creating a fantastic centre to the town, and its location close to the square will draw in locals and visitors alike.

Another important factor for me in giving my support to this proposal, is the support that has already been demonstrated for it. There are many good ideas out there for what should, and or could be done, but the concept that will most likely become a reality, is the one that has the best and most motivated team behind it. That too has been clearly demonstrated.


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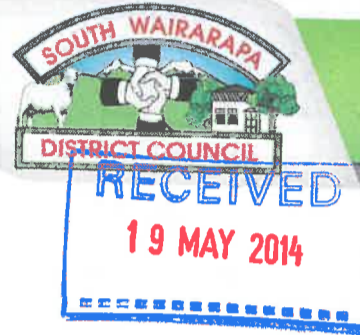
AMENITIES COMMENT

- It is important to add amenity improvement to the already approved earthquake strengthening of the Martinborough town hall.
- Higher utilization of the Town Hall will be necessary to get the benefit of the considerable investment envisaged. The governance structure & staffing should be designed to achieve this.
- Co-location of the Martinborough library and other community activity is an excellent idea.

David Bull
16/5/2014

I ~~would~~/would not (cross out which does not apply) like to discuss my submission with the Council when it meets to hear and deliberate on formal submissions on 9 and 10 June 2014 (reserve day 10 June 2014), commencing at 9.30am each day.

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Page 3	<p>Martinborough Town Hall Community Centre - Agree With Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Very few opportunities present which allow communities to grow. The best one for Martinborough was the Cruise School. It slipped through our fingers. This is another such opportunity over which we have some control through the SWDC. This project can only benefit our community given that we need more families/folks coming to live here - it will create a hub for all residents to gather! - I was on the ^{next recent} committee to "save" the Town Hall. Our team was pleased SWDC supported us by committing to pay for strengthening the Hall. We never believed the Hall should be "bowled" for a new community centre. However the current proposal gives the best of both ideas - i.e. Town + Community Centre (provides library services) - While the Mayor said at the public meeting that she supported the idea, Martinborough Community had to show they wanted it through submissions - Swely Moo, part in pledges must count for something.

Continue on separate sheets if required.

Please tick your preference:
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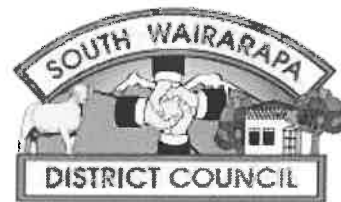
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I thought the plan of the Town Hall Community Centre was very good. I would like to see it go ahead as I think it will be so good for our future and is in the perfect site on our square.

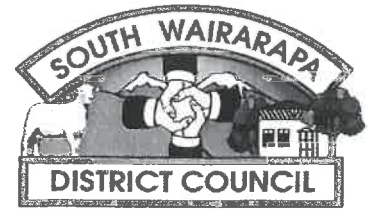
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AMENITIES COMMENT

I support the idea of fencing off the new park. The whole park rather than just a section makes sense. I think it would make it easier for parents to encourage use of parks, especially those with more than one child to use it. Thanks

I would/would not (cross out which does not apply) like to discuss my submission with the Council when it meets to hear and deliberate on formal submissions on 9 and 10 June 2014 (reserve day 10 June 2014), commencing at 9.30am each day.

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AMENITIES COMMENT

Thankyou to all the people who have worked and are still working to up grade the Town Hall and the surrounding area. I attended the meeting that was held a few weeks ago and I felt it was great at the positive attitude. I have many memories of occasions that have been held in the Hall. In the early 1930's I took part in a concert , during my school days we had school socials and other school activities. During the WW2 all the servicemen were farwelled from the hall. At one time the Town Hall was the meeting place in the event of a civil emergency. At that time there was a boiler in the kitchen and two men, Mr.Shore an d Mr Blisset would sit there all evening stoking the boiler. There were many "Balls" held in the hall. A Mr.Charles Mitchell decorated to inside of the hall with various places and scenery for decorations for the R.S.A. Balls. I am completely in agreement with the refurbishment of the hall but I very Strongly ob ject to the sale of any part of theHuangarua Park. I live in this area and I see how many times it is used.

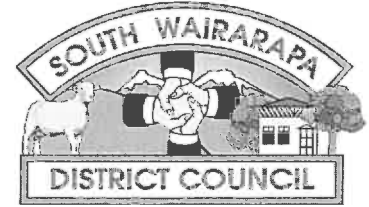
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AMENITIES COMMENT

On completion of this very exciting project - our iconic Village will be very much enhanced as a "top destination" and many more activities will be able to be held. I congratulate the organizing committee on the work they have done + what they have achieved so far.

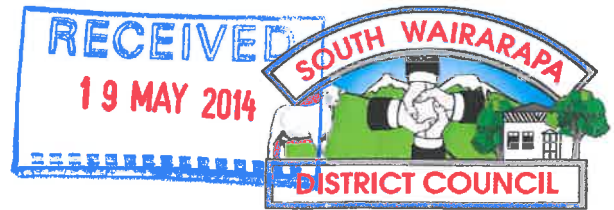
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AMENITIES COMMENT

I fully support the plans but I am very concerned that the park should have full fencing around it to make it a safe & relaxing place for children to play.

I understand the idea of fencing a younger children's area off while leaving the rest unfenced but I think this is a bad idea as parents may have children of different ages playing or they may be with friends with children of different ages and also, let's face it, no toddler wants to stay just in the toddler area of any park!

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Email:

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PG NO.	COMMENT
Page 4	<p>Re Martinborough Town Hall should be Strengthen Only at cost of Martinborough Rate Payers Only. Not from the Sale of Cecily Martin Land (Huangarua Park) as was a Gift to the People of Martinborough. The Pain Farm was gifted to the Children of Martinborough benefit (another bequeath) hence Not for Mortgaging. Plunket is Not Council owned so should Not Fund any Council Building the Land was also Given by George Pain to the Plunket. Any further Cost including Strengthening could be Started by the Pruning of Staff and Salaries including Councillors, and their Perks, also Mayor and c. 50. Featherston Ratepayers and the Community of Featherston has suffered the Neglect of S.W.D.C. Featherston at Present presents a very Bad Image to all Tourists and People entering the Wairarapa from Wellington or even going to Wellington. The Council and Councillors should be utterly Ashamed of themselves, so should Not be funding Strengthening of Martinborough Town Hall either. There should Not be any Sale of Land in Featherston to pay for the Councils Cemetery Plot on Fitzherbert Street. to be Developed either. I am a fourth Generation Martinborough Person, but having lived 48 years in Featherston and a Ratepayer in both.</p>

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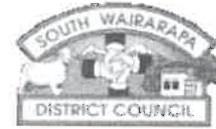
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SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2014/2015

We support the Council's initiative for the proposed funding provision of \$240,000 per year for two kilometres of new seal in the district. We believe that Te Muna Road should receive this funding to extend the existing sealing work already started. Ideally we consider the target would be to seal the road from end to end, but we would be very happy for an additional one or two kilometres to be added this financial year. In our view it makes financial sense for all the funds available this year to be allocated to this one project as this would ensure the funds are used in the most efficient and effective way..

Residents of Te Muna Road are very appreciative of the 2.5 km of road sealing extension already completed in previous budget years. The road is significantly safer on this section with the widening of the road and the seal. However there is a safety issue when cars are travelling on the seal at 100km per hour and are unaware that the seal is about to end at Escarpment vineyard. The curve at that point "hides" the change in surface just around the corner and the change to an unexpected gravel surface has caused some of our visitors considerable alarm.

Our vineyard entrance is 100 metres past the end of the current seal end. This means that we endure clouds of dust in the summer and muddy potholes in the winter. Several times a year we employ 12 or more contract workers to do vineyard work. They, and our Vineyard Supervisor, are subjected to working in dusty and potentially unhealthy conditions during the summer when huge trucks hurtle along the road and send clouds of dust into the vineyard. We know that every vineyard south of Escarpment suffer in these conditions too.

Julicher Estate wines are some of the best in Martinborough, consequently we have regular cellar door customers visiting to taste and buy wine. These customers are our bread and butter, and we are concerned that the road acts as a deterrent for more people to visit us. "Townies" hate to get their often expensive cars dusty or muddy, and we frequently have customers complaining to us that "if we'd known about the dust and the mud on Te Muna Road, we may not have come".

Many tourists visit Martinborough in rental Campervans. These tourists are reluctant to visit us because their rental contract does not allow them to drive on gravel roads. More lost revenue for us and the district!

The sealing of Te Muna Road would be a huge benefit to all the wineries along our road, both in better working conditions for staff, and also in enabling more revenue to be derived from cellar door sales.

Land use on Te Muna Road has changed over the past two decades.. Over the last 15 years in particular, intensive viticulture has greatly increased the value of the land, and rates have accordingly risen.

Finally, to summarise:

1. We support the initiative of including funding of \$240,000 in this budget for additional road sealing.
2. We request that this be allocated to Te Muna Road, to carry on the project already started in previous budget years.
3. We request that similar funding allowances be made in future budgets for seal extension of Te Muna Road until the sealing project is completed from end to end.



Wim Julicher and Sue Darling
Julicher Estate, 301 Te Muna Road.

(See over)

Also supporting this request for further seal extension of Te Muna Road are:

Margaret and Garth Edwards, Contract Wine Growers Te Muna Road

John Douglas Te Hera Estate Vineyard Te Muna Road.

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Address: *

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The gravel on Te Muna Road in front of my property is now in worse condition than 50years ago!

As a huge amount of money has been spent on viticulture, this has greatly increased the traffic flow.

I would also like to know who decides where the proposed seal extension is allocated in the SWDC Draft Annual Plan 2014/15.

Ian Campbell



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I have been sending written submissions to SWDC since 2008 for Te Muna Rd seal extension to reach Craggy Range entrance.

At the risk of repeating myself I have attached all correspondence to SWDC since that date.

Since my last submission in 2013, I have noticed the volume of traffic has increased considerably, with more vineyard workers, cyclists and runners using the road.

The two sharp corners (which could do with more signage) have potholes and corrugations a few hours after the grader has been.

Many comments are made by visitors on the terrible state of the gravel road, other are repeatedly have their wheel alignment adjusted.

TK use the road for their vineyard at Ruakokapatuna. This year a large load of grapes fell off the trailer at the sharp bend approaching Craggy Range.

Oldfield's trucks use this road frequently to carry metal and heavy machinery.

This has been very evident since the re-sealing of the road from the golf course to the Hinakura Rd.

All the residents on Te Muna Road gravel would be so pleased if the 2km's seal extension that is allocated in the Draft Annual Plan 2014/15 can be used to complete the seal to Craggy Range entrance as promised in 2008.

Helen Campbell



Submission to SWDC Draft Plan 2008 & 2009

I have lived on TE MUNA road for 40 years. During this time I have seen very little improvement to the metal road.

The rates during this time have increased hugely and what benefit have the residents on the road received?

Now we are getting another rate increase. FOR WHAT!!!!

My submission to the SWDC is that we are not getting a fair deal.

My Submission details:

1. In the passed 15 years, \$20+ million has been spent developing the wine industry on Te Muna Road.
2. Traffic on the road has increased considerably in this time.
3. Vineyard workers with limited driving skills use the road continuously to reach their employment.
4. Heavy trucks and stock trucks use the road constantly.
5. The road is narrow and many drivers are not confident to pull over when passing oncoming traffic.
6. I have been in situations when I have experienced near misses.
7. The dust is a danger to visibility for approaching traffic, as well as an irritant to vineyard workers when the dust covers their working space.
8. The long grass in some parts of the road is a visual hazard.
9. The road is too narrow for passing slow traffic.
10. The road is presently full of potholes and the surface is down to the base.

This year the dust was completely covering the cottage on our farm and settling in the terraces below our house. Something I have never seen in the previous 40 years.

I would like the SWDC to explain where our rates are being spent, because it is not on Te Muna Road.

The road is waiting for a serious accident to happen.

Submission on Draft South Wairarapa District Council Community Plan

May 2009

It is a year since I presented my submission on the hazards of Te Muna Road.

Since that time the road has deteriorated considerably. It has had no metal spread or pot holes filled during the last year and it is several months since the grader was on the road. But then I might add there is nothing for the poor man to grade!!!! The only metal on the road has built up on the edge, making it extremely difficult for cars to pull over for passing traffic.

The road is full of pot holes, very little metal and many parts of the road are down to the base boulders. It is just a dirt track!!!!

The road is a disgrace. In the 40 years I have lived on Te Muna Road I have never seen the road in such a dangerous and shocking condition. I would appreciate some answers from the SWDC on where our rates are going and why the road has been left to deteriorate to this level.

As no improvements have been made to Te Muna Road since my last submission, I am presenting it again and would appreciate the opportunity to discuss my concerns at a hearing.

Helen Campbell

SUBMISSION TO SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL DRAFT PLAN 2013/14

1. Introduction.

2. The state of the Metal Rd. Grader coming more frequently. If the road is graded in the morning it is back to when he started by the afternoon, full of pot holes and dust or puddles. The only thing we have gained is the clumps of grass and soil spread over the gravel which adds to having more hazards.

All councillors will know that good grader drivers are very hard to find. The near retirement drivers are being kept on because there are no replacements. No wonder this job is not popular, when the hourly rate is \$15.50 an hour. What is going to happen when there is nobody to grade the road?????

To us this is false economy.

- 3. A few days ago the Road had pit metal spread. Pit metal is great for filling pot holes, but not for the entire road in the pouring rain. Within an hour the road was slush, by the end of the day all the pot holes were back. An utter waste of time and once again false economy because Te Muna Rd's traffic has increased hugely since my submission in 2008.**
- 4. The SWDC has caused a division between our road! Why should some have tarsal to their entrance and some not? The vineyards and families on the metal feel vindicated.**
- 5. You say there is no money available, but if more foresight was given in 2009 when sealing commenced, perhaps the long stretch of road passed John Donald's woolshed to the start of Redbank Estate could have been left as metal and allowed bitumen to Craggy Range as promised.**
- 6. The eight families living on the Te Muna Rd metal are FED UP. We would like the SWDC to revisit the tar sealing completion in the 2013/14 Annual Plan.**

Helen Campbell

To: Adrienne.Staples@swdc.govt.nz
Subject: Te Muna Road.
Attachments: I have lived on TE MUNA road for 40 years.doc

South Wairarapa District Council
Kitchener
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Martinborough

Dear Adrienne (Her Worship The Mayor & Fellow Councillors),

With this long dry summer and autumn I was prompted to send another submission (late or too early?) to complain about the dust on Te Muna Road and the effects it has on residents and road traffic. Attached is the letter I sent as a submission for the 2008/2009 District Plan. Since then we are all very grateful that Te Muna Road has been tarsealed to The Escarpment entrance. But what has happened to the rest of the ROAD that was promised tarseal. At least to Craggy Range entrance? Although I must admit that the stretch of road from Craggy Range to the White Rock Road is far the most treacherous, as there is no room to pull over to let an approaching truck pass. This is why the vineyard workers from Craggy Range travel the other way.

Last vintage in May we reported an accident when a fully laden truck of freshly picked grapes skidded in the metal and went through our farm fence, snapping off a concrete strainer. The driver was extremely lucky he was not injured.

Since my last submission I have now moved from our old house (on Te Muna Road where I could not see the traffic passing), to a new property on Te Muna Road. I am staggered at the increased traffic flow over the last few years. Vineyard workers all come from the tarsealed end. People running and biking is common place. Large trucks and through traffic is constant! There is hardly a moment that the dust has time to settle. I have also noticed the broken white railing at the Hinakura end of the road has not been fixed. This happened almost a year ago!

As I said in my earlier submission millions of dollars (and now more) has been spent on setting up high profile wineries. The revenue from this and the high rates we pay to SWDC is considerable and over half of Te Muna Road is the same as 50 years ago.

I know that Council will say there is no money!!! But we are going backwards here!! The metal road from the Escarpment is still very narrow and dangerous (not to mention the sharp corner that narrows very quickly from tarseal to metal) .When reaching the metal I permanently drive on the grass edge so that vehicles can pass safely. When following another vehicle the visibility is so poor that it is impossible to see approaching traffic.

Please can you revisit Te Muna Road tarseal extension. The rest of us on the metal, dread to think of yet another winter with mud, corrugations & pot holes following a long dusty summer on a very hazardous and dangerous road.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Campbell.

28/04/2014



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Creytown Swimming pool - retain.
Bring up to standard re cleaning, surfaces, heating & perhaps community fundraising to have pool covered. Imagine water aerobics, all year training & competitions for the swimmers - Creytown is so proud of. The pool was built with community fundraising, so this is possible.

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Water - I would like to see all new houses having own water tanks, to be able to use for gardens, cleaning of cars etc over summer months.

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Table with 2 columns: PG NO. and COMMENT. Contains handwritten feedback on Featherston development, cycle track, and road sealing.

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doesn't need to be huge. checkout WPA. Hopetown recently opened

PS New bus in Creytown are excellent

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usage & then environmental concerns - dust/dangers, commercial implications.

Please tick your preference:

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SWDC DRAFT 2014/15 ANNUAL PLAN

SUBMISSION BY THE SOUTH WAIRARAPA BIODIVERSITY GROUP

19 May 2014

TO: Draft Annual Plan
South Wairarapa District Council
PO Box 6
MARTINBOROUGH

FROM: Heather Atkinson, President
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swbg@hotmail.co.nz

Phone (day) 06 3077838

HEARING ATTENDANCE:

South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group representatives will attend the Council's deliberations on the Annual Plan (9-10 June) and hope to speak to their submission.

BACKGROUND



The South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group was formed in October 2011 and was incorporated in November 2012. It is a rural community-led initiative and was the original brainchild of two Pirinoa Farmers.

The group's vision and goals are:

- To improve water quality and biodiversity through wetland restoration projects.
- To raise the level of awareness in the community of positive environmental management and its benefits.
- To improve farming practices through support and education.
- To promote restorative projects around Lake Onoke.
- To act as a conduit between local/regional agencies and the community on environmental issues.

Lake Onoke is an area with high biodiversity value and it plays a fundamental role as part of the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands complex. The Lake Ferry area attracts a growing number of visitors each year, and (particularly over the summer months) caters for various recreational pursuits. More recently it has been a focal point for many biodiversity events: a measure of the future long-term success and survival of Wairarapa Moana.

The South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group (SWBG) is working to empower the local community to enhance the ecology of the area with specific focus on potential educational, recreational, cultural and tourism opportunities available at Lake Onoke. It has been at the forefront of recent restorative work and has worked collaboratively with a number of agencies and community groups.

SWBG is grateful for the support given by Council to the group's initiatives, including riparian planting along the lake edge, planting at the wastewater treatment area, restorative works at Okorewa Lagoon and annual beach cleans.



Photo 1: Planting at Lake Onoke 2013



Photo 2: Children's Educ. Day – Sep. 2013

PROJECT AREAS

1. Lake Ferry wastewater treatment - wetland planting project

Draft annual plan (DAP) reference: Page 62 Waste Water

The Waste Water Activity Goal is: ... To collect, treat and dispose of waste water to provide public health protection with minimal effects on the environment from the urban areas of (Lake Ferry) so as to provide public health protection with minimal effects on the environment.

SWBG funding proposal: appropriate budget provision for ongoing wetland work at Lake Ferry wastewater treatment site to communicate best practice.

Lake Ferry's Inflow-technologies wastewater treatment system is considered state-of-the-art and environmentally friendly. The treatment area is located on top of the hill above the Lake Ferry settlement and includes a constructed wetland area used to filter treated greywater. The site has panoramic views of Cape Palliser and the Wairarapa valley.

Stage 1 of the flora wetlands was completed last year, with approximately 1400 eco-sourced plants put in the ground (with SWBG assistance).

SWBG proposes three further stages to complete the wetland complex and provide opportunities for public access (the idea of increased public access is not a new one – a walkway and loop track was first mooted by the Wairarapa Moana Management Team in 2012).

Stage 2 (winter 2014)

- In-fill fenced area with plants to the eastern and southern boundaries.
- Construct appropriate public walkway to access site.

Note: Per tree cost estimate to 18months

\$3.50 tree purchase

\$2.30 tree mat and surround

\$0.15c fertilizer tablet

\$0.10c water retention gel

\$1.70 pre-plant spray and post plant spray x1

\$7.75 Total per tree including GST

Tree planting - In kind contribution from SWBG and community

(1000 trees x 12 per hour/pp = 83 hours work + 3 hours set up - Total 86 hours

Estimated cost: Stage 2 (winter 2014)

Plant purchase – 300 trees @ 3 metre spacings = \$2,325 Eco-sourced natives

Public walkway – SWDC to undertake work relating to walkway provision with potential partners (Wairarapa Moana Management team)

Plant Cost estimate - \$2,325

Stage 3 (winter 2015)

- Plant western side of wetland area.
- Develop signage for the public (could include information about the wastewater project).

Estimated Cost: Stage 3 (winter 2015)

Plant purchase – 300 trees @ 3 metre spacings = \$2,325 Eco-sourced natives

Interpretation signage x2 - \$900: cost met by potential sponsors

Plant Cost estimate - \$2325

Stage 4 (long term)

- Fence off the track up to the wetland and plant with Eco-sourced natives.

Estimated Cost: Stage 4

Agreement and budget to be calculated upon acceptance and collaboration with potential partners (Wairarapa Moana Management team, SWBG)



Photo 3: planting site
2 Sept 2013



Photo 4: post planting
February 2014

Action 1

SWBG request that Council:

- Provide funding of \$4,650 to complete Stage 2 and Stage 3 of the project, and
- Undertake to consider Stage 4 as part of its long-term plan.



Photo 5: Collage prior and at planting September 2013

2. Extension of Onoke riparian planting to lake access reserve

DAP Reference: Page 33

Economic, cultural and community development – supporting heritage and cultural activities.

SWBG funding proposal: Riparian strip extensions and proactive reserve management

The riparian margin of the Council-owned reserve adjoining the Lake Ferry Hotel is now planted in native flaxes, shrubs and grasses (with cluster plantings of cabbage trees and lancewoods). The project has been two years in the making and has had fantastic support from the local rural community, Pirinoa and Kahutara Primary Schools, Council, DoC, Greater Wellington, Iwi, the Lake Ferry Hotel, the Lake Ferry Ratepayers & Residents Association and broader community.

It is anticipated that these plantings will not only improve the biodiversity of the area, but will also help stabilise the shoreline and add to the overall beautification and amenity of the area.

SWBG is proposing both short-term and long-term works for the Lake Onoke esplanade reserve area.

Stage 1: Short term

- Replacement plants (150) for existing plantings along riparian margin of Lake Ferry (Winter 2014).
- Development of Lot 4 DP 67585 (0.44ha – Appendix) Council owned land accessing the lake (north of Lake Ferry playground) and adjoining land owned by the Jakeman Trust. To include weed control (gorse), planting and walkway to link with Te Aratuna wetland (Winter 2015).

Estimated cost: Winter 2014

- Plants – 150 @ \$7.75 = \$1162
- Weed control – to be added to SWDC program of works
- Cost estimate - \$1162

Estimated cost: Winter 2015

- Plants – 650 @ \$7.75 = \$5037
- Walkway creation in collaboration with potential partners (Wairarapa Moana Management team, landowners)
- Cost estimate - \$5037

Stage 2: Long term

- Proposed walkway could eventually link up with Ruamahanga/South coast cycle/walkway systems (a natural link to the proposed Cross Creek/Featherston cycle trail). **See Trails Wairarapa Trust's submission.**

Estimated Cost: Agreement and budget for Ruamahanga/South coast cycle/walkway systems to be calculated in collaboration with potential partners (Wairarapa Moana Management team, Trails Wairarapa Trust, FTWT, SWBG)

Action 2

SWBG request that Council:

- a) Provide funding of \$6,200 to complete Stage 1 of the project ,**
and
- b) Undertake to consider Stage 2 as part of its long-term plan.**

3. Development of Lake Ferry public reserve land

DAP Reference: Page 33

Economic, cultural and community development – supporting heritage and cultural activities (including 'Maori heritage and cultural assets').

SWBG proposals

(a) Supporting and providing where necessary for South Coast and Ruamahunga Trails access, bordering Onoke/Okorewa as per Trails Wairarapa Trust submission

(b) Feasibility studies with community and lwi for use of historic public reserve land at Lake Ferry

On historic vested public reserve land north of the motor camp: consider shrubs and meadow flower plantings; a Lake Ferry/Onoke Spit visitor centre, DoC centre, for community events, recreation games, communication of cultural values – lwi canoe site. The public reserve land sites are available for a 'new build' or building relocation: facilitating community and visitor gatherings, and the '**Recognition, promotion and protection of Maori heritage and cultural assets**'.

Action 3

SWBG recommends Council initiate community consultation on best public use of the Lake Ferry reserve land to establish a vision, goals and long term objectives.

4. Okorewa Lagoon restoration project – repairs and maintenance of road reserve and parking.

“THE COAST

From Palliser Bay around to Cape Palliser there are many rocky headlands restricting agricultural or forestry uses. East of Cape Palliser there are a series of important coastal flats, some of which have been developed for farming, and several river mouths. Whether flat or headland the coastline has important recreational, scenic, and historic Maori values, as well as important natural values in river estuaries.” – SWDC Draft Annual Plan

Tucked under the cliffs at the end of Lake Ferry Road is Okorewa Lagoon. This area at the southern tip of Lake Ferry Road is an extremely popular destination point for tourists and locals alike – being the gateway to Cape Palliser.

Okorewa Lagoon is a coastal lagoon, which by its very nature has high biodiversity value. The site is of particular cultural significance to local Maori as an historic pa site. It also forms part of the Wairarapa Moana Wetlands Park – a joint initiative of Greater Wellington, DoC, Kahungungu ki Wairarapa, Rangitane o Wairarapa and South Wairarapa District Council.

SWBG has entered into a 10-year partnership plan with Greater Wellington Regional Council’s Biodiversity Team to improve the water quality and amenity of the lagoon. The project is into its third year with plans underway to plant another 500 native plants this winter. Water testing and sampling of invertebrates has taken place (results pending).

Action 4

SWBG submits that Council commit some infrastructure funding to repair and maintain the existing road access to Okorewa Lagoon (and the Palliser Coast) and commit further to create and maintain a carpark area - in collaboration with all relevant parties.



Photo: Okorewa Lagoon June 2013



Photo: Okorewa Planting day June 2013

CONCLUSION

Lake Ferry is a small settlement between the shores of Lake Onoke and Palliser Bay. Its settlement dates back hundreds of years with archaeological research suggesting that there were people living here from the 12th century until 1600. It has historical, cultural and environmental significance. The aggressive waves and winds from the sea make the spot ideal for surfing, windsurfing, and sailing. The area is also a popular location for surfcasting and on a beautiful day boasts the most spectacular coastal views and sunsets.

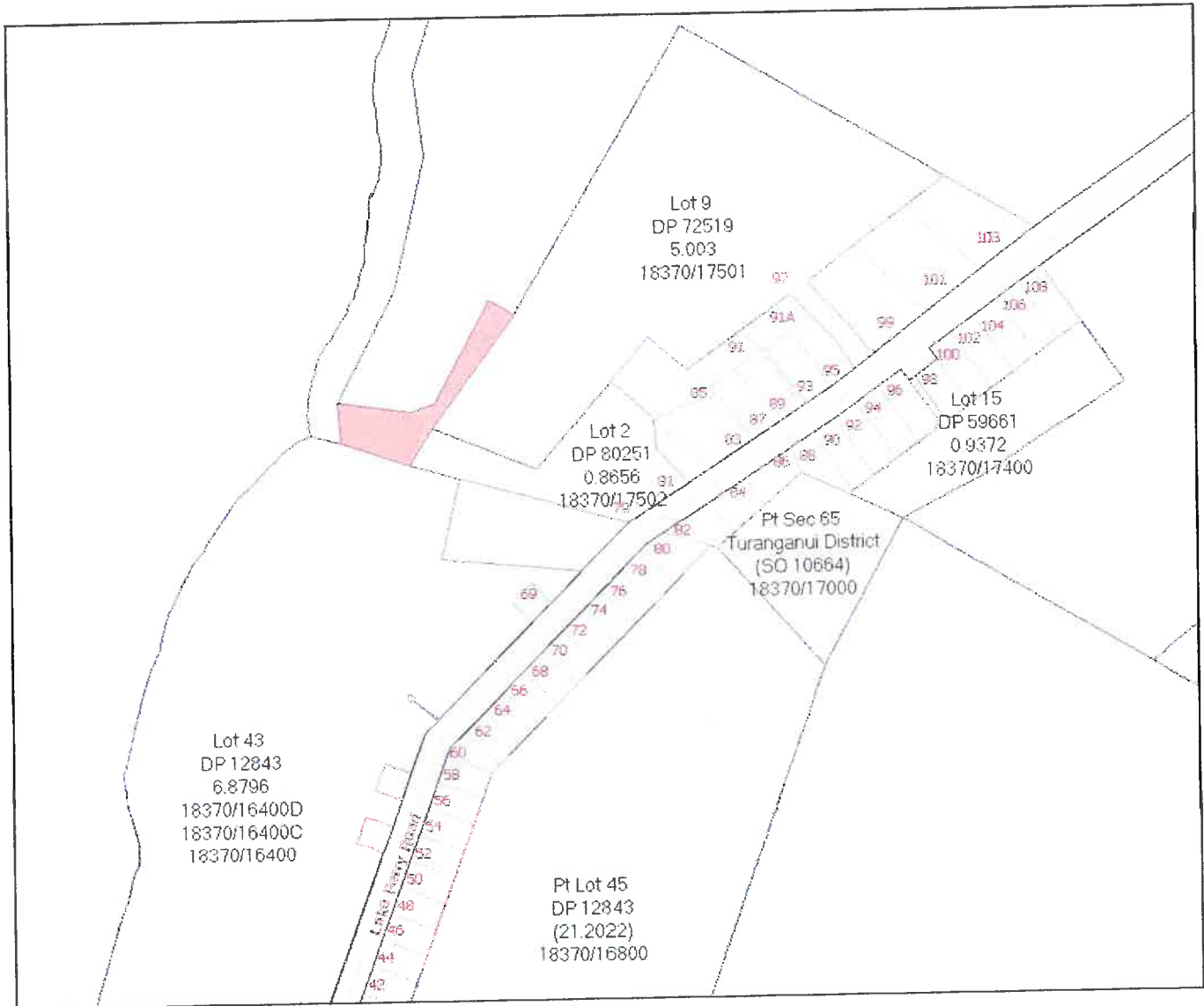
South Wairarapa District Council would do well to consider investing in the Onoke lakeside and Lake Ferry settlement for the future of the Wairarapa.

***(Signed) Heather Atkinson, President
South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group***

19 May 2014

APPENDIX

Lot 4 DP 67585 - 4429ha Council owned Recreation Reserve



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
SUBMISSION FORM**

Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015

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Martinborough Town Hall Submissions: The Martinborough Town Hall is a Council amenity and is maintained and managed via the Amenities Significant Activity. Your submission will be considered against the goals and objectives for this activity. For more information about this activity refer to the Council Draft Annual Plan 2014/2015 and the Long Term Plan 2012/2022.

AMENITIES COMMENT

Has the tree group been consulted?

Where will the green belt be under this plan? Most important to have a general green area for children to play.

Leave toilets - they are in a good public place.

No to paving stones - not in keeping with previous plans

No to paving stones in Soldier's Memorial Park

What will happen to the Memorial trees?

Parking? very restricted now.

No footpath now Texas Street to Cook Street.

Why all this building on cold south side? + on children's play area?

We came to meetings to look at ways the Hall + Green Room could be used for

- this plan just wants a whole new building.

No to selling off Huangarua Park (wharekaka should have first option for use)

Flat roof not in keeping with old style.

What about Council Amalgamation? - your building could be used as a library.

No trees along museum please.

I would/would not (cross out which does not apply) like to discuss my submission with the Council when it meets to hear and deliberate on formal submissions on 9 and 10 June 2014 (reserve day 10 June 2014), commencing at 9.30am each day.

Please continue over

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AMENITIES COMMENT

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A GABLE ROOF ON THE NEW BUILDING AT THE TOWN HALL. I FEEL THAT IT WOULD FIT IN FAR BETTER WITH THE AMBIENCE OF OUR TOWN.

THANKING YOU

David Harris.

P.S. Please leave the new toilets where they are as they are easily found & convenient to the oil of towners.

DAH.

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Please continue over



Fri 16th May 2014

Paul Crimp
Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Paul

Re: South Wairarapa District Council Annual Plan

Trails Wairarapa Trust are pleased to present the accompanying submission to Council for consideration in their 2014 Annual Plan.

TWT is a charitable trust established in 2009 to promote new cycling and walking trails, enhance safety, and help with health and leisure in the Wairarapa.

To date TWT has sponsored the NZCT Expansion Links into the Wairarapa, helped MDC with the Waipoua Trail and supported the Greytown Trails Trust with their Woodside Rail Trail development.

We would welcome the opportunity to speak to our submission.

Yours sincerely

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ANNUAL PLAN 2014-15

Submission to South Wairarapa District Council

Trails Wairarapa Trust wish to bring a number of matters to Council to be considered with their annual plan. These are presented under the following headings:

- New Zealand Cycle Trails
- Shared Usage
- Off Road
- Safety
- Fitness and Health

New Zealand Cycle Trail

New Zealand Cycle Trail (NZCT) has expanded into the Wairarapa this year with the opening of the Rimutaka Trail Great Ride, and the expansion links, the Route 52 Trail, Tararua Traverse and Wairarapa Valley Trail. Trails Wairarapa Trust (TWT) sponsored the latter three and wish to thank the District Councils for their participation as RTAs. Now that the routes are official and have been publicised as cycle friendly, we would like to encourage Council to be sensitive to cycle safety such as wide margins when roads are being repaired or upgraded, signage such as “share the road”, safe bridge crossings, cycle friendly road surfaces and speed restrictions where appropriate. Concerning speed, there are a number of narrow windy roads where 100kph seems excessive, in fact hardly attainable. In particular the lower Longbush Rd to Hinakura Rd and also the narrow portions of Western Lake Rd. We would support the introduction of an 80kph speed limit on these stretches of NZCT Trails. Please give thought to pleasant view points with rest areas, table/seat units, water and eco toilets. Any business opportunities along the routes, such as accommodation, sightseeing and food outlets are to be encouraged.

Summary: Enhance cyclist safety, facilities and business opportunities along the NZCT expansion routes.

Shared Usage

It is easy to forget the routes around a town used by leisure and club cyclists. Greytown and Martinborough have a number of popular routes, Featherston not so geographically favoured. Examples are the Papawai, Fabians, Bidwells Cutting circuit and the Woodside Rail trail with a loop planned along the Waiohine stop bank for Greytown, and the Lake Ferry, White Rock, Te Muna and Hinekura loop of Martinborough. We would encourage the SWDC to consider completing the sealing of Te Muna Rd in this loop. Now that Fulton Hogan hold the roading contract for the 3 District Councils, TWT would like Council to make them aware of the most cyclist used routes and consider wide verges, share the road signage, safe bridge crossings and cycle friendly surfaces where possible.

Summary: Encourage cyclist safety on popular routes and empower Fulton Hogan accordingly. Complete the sealing of Te Muna Rd.

Off Road

South Wairarapa District Council, and especially the Greytown Trails Trust, are to be congratulated on the Woodside Rail Trail, which is already recognised as a great town asset. We would like to see the completion of the intended loop back to Greytown along the southern Waiohine river stop bank.

TWT also wish to promote a new trail, the Underhill Trail, from Featherston to Woodside Station, and so to Greytown. This trail would make use of Underhill Rd, on each side of the Tauwharenikau river, and hopes to use the Railway bridge.

We are delighted with the planned off road track from Cross Creek to Featherston, SWDC could see the obvious advantage for Featherston by linking the Rimutaka Trail to the Fell Museum and Featherston Railway station.

There is now also a major new proposal to provide a mountain bike trail along the east side of the Ruamahanga river from Te Ore Ore bridge to Lake Ferry and Ocean Beach. This exciting new proposal is being led by 2 of our members, Joe Howells and David Knowles. It is certain to bring tourists and business to the Wairarapa and is fully endorsed by TWT and Destination Wairarapa. A separate paper is appended to this submission on the project and we would like the opportunity to speak to it.

As part of the Ruamahanga Trail it would be sensible to have a link with Greytown. For later development we would like to join Riverside Rd to Fabians Rd with a walkway/cycleway bridge.

Summary: TWT wishes SWDC to be aware of, encourage and support the continuing work it is doing to develop new trails in the Wairarapa, in particular the Underhill Trail and Ruamahanga Trail.

Safety

Population surveys show most would-be cyclists are put off by the density and speed of road traffic. TWT are encouraging the formation of good quality off-road cycle ways to enable pleasant and safe cycling and walking. Any new subdivision should look at cycle/walk ways as part of the development. We also wish to enable safe cycling to school and work place. A particular worry for cyclists is the Waihenga bridge at Martinborough, this is considered dangerous and is specifically mentioned in the NZCT description of the Wairarapa trails.

Summary: TWT supports traffic calming methods on busy streets and good signage. Support more cycling to school and work place and cycle/walk ways as part of new subdivisions. Promote cycle safety to NZTA for the Waihenga bridge.

Health and Fitness

We support Council plans in providing facilities for health and fitness purposes. This fits in with Regional Public Health service objectives in encouraging healthy eating, exercise and targeting those who would most benefit from a change in their lifestyle. TWT intends to bring a health service person on to their committee to strengthen this part of their goals and provide a plan for the future.

Summary: TWT wishes to strengthen this part of their agenda and wish to fit in with SWDC, WDHB and Regional Public Health in this resolve.



Trails Wairarapa Trust

Submission to the South Wairarapa District Council Annual Plan 2014/15

Proposal to create the Ruamahanga River Mountain bike trail

Cycle and walking trails are becoming a big industry internationally. The Central Otago Rail Trail and its associated development are the most prominent example of this type of development in New Zealand currently. We note that a large network of off road trails is a significant feature of the Otago/Southland trail developments, and that this aspect is proving very popular, sparking off many business opportunities and other advantages for the region.

Recently the idea of developing a trail down the eastern bank of the Ruamahanga River from Masterton to Lake Ferry and Ocean Beach was mooted to the Trails Wairarapa Trust (TWT). This idea is now being worked up as a project by two Trust Committee members Joe Howells and David Knowles, who are avid off road mountain bikers, with the support of Stuart Edwards, the owner of Green Jersey Cycle tours. The Ruamahanga River trail at approximately 150 kilometres in length compares well with the original Otago Rail Trail of approximately the same distance.

It is also envisaged that a trail also be created up the western side of the Wairarapa Valley from Featherston to Masterton, potentially utilising the rail bridges over the Tauwharenikau, Waiohine and Waingawa rivers. This development combined with the Ruamahanga River trail would enable a wide variety of loop journeys to be undertaken varying in duration from a few hours to many days, mainly off road or on very low traffic use roads.

The Ruamahanga River Trail proposal has been discussed with and is supported by the following:

- Destination Wairarapa
- Rangitane ki Wairarapa
- Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa

We are in discussions with the South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group as to the potential for us to collaborate in respect to their plans for trails in the lower valley.

The Ruamahanga River trail proposal has been discussed with Stan Braaksma of the Greater Wellington Regional Council who is also on the Trails Wairarapa Trust committee. Stan is very supportive and had told us that the Regional Council would be supportive of the proposal and that mowing the Regional Council controlled stop banks with a light mower where required would be permitted.

Development of the Ruamahanga River Trail will require the permission of all landowners whose properties are on the eastern riverbank. We are thus in the process of making contact with all the landowners and other stakeholders to inform them about the potential trail and in respect to those

landowners south of Martinborough, to obtain the necessary permissions to proceed with the first phase of the project.

We believe that the Martinborough to Lake Ferry and Ocean Beach section could be available to professionally guided groups of mountain bikers by next summer. Initially we are planning for the trail to be made available to professional cycle tour organisations with a view to taking guided groups of up to 20 people at a time along the trail. We see this as the first step in a development path that could eventually result in the trail being opened up to the general public in some way in the future.

So Phase 1 would be to develop the section from Martinborough to Lake Ferry and Ocean Beach. Most of the envisaged route is on the large stop bank constructed in the 1970s under the Lower Wairarapa Valley Development and flood control scheme. Whilst Greater Wellington Regional Council maintains the stopbank and has access rights for this purpose, the stopbank itself sits mostly on private land, thus requiring us to get permission from each of the landowners adjacent to the eastern river bank. Some of this stopbank is not grazed and is a wilderness area; other parts are currently lightly grazed by farmers.

The plan to develop the Ruamahanga River Trail includes:

- Installing gates or tape gates with an insulated hook within existing fences that cross the stopbank where no gate in a fence crossing the bank currently exists (many of such fences are in a state of disrepair in any event – the intention is to discuss with each farmer what is required on their sections of the trail)
- Where the stopbank is overgrown create a mowed path about 1.5 metre wide
- Where the stopbank is unsuitable and it is possible, create the trail nearer to the riverbank
- Some sections of stopbank may require a metal or limestone surface to be applied
- Some minor pruning of trees and limbs will be required in places

In the longer term it is planned to further develop the trail through potentially installing:

- Permanent cycle friendly (and stock and motorcycle unfriendly) gates on all fences
- Toilets and rubbish bins
- Permanent bridges over creeks and drains above the usual flood levels of the river (early crossings will potentially not be navigable in light flood conditions)
- Signage including directions and historic information
- Lunch/picnic stop points
- Where required trail surface development
- Riparian planting and pest control

The trail would be closed to all use when flood situations are forecast.

We envisage that the trail would be developed and maintained under the auspices of the Trails Wairarapa Trust, or under a separate purpose designed Trust. The Trust would levy the users a small per head charge to cover the costs of development and maintenance and to help fund further development of the trail over time.

Whilst we are not currently requesting financial support from the SWDC for the development of the Ruamahanga River Trail, should the first phase of the project succeed and have proven financial benefits to the district it may be appropriate for the council to become involved in development and maintenance of the trail in the future. Support for the trail development in general and these aspects in particular we request be included in your plan.

Representatives of the Trails Wairarapa Trust would be happy to come and discuss our plans with yourself or the council at any time. Please let us know if you would like us to do this.

Summary: Include recognition of the potential benefits to the District of the Ruamahanga River Trail in the Council's District Annual Plan for 2014/15.

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16th May 2014

Dear Paul,

RE South Wairarapa District Council Annual Plan

On behalf of the South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group (SWBG) I write to endorse the inclusion of support for an off road cycle trail development in the South Wairarapa, in your South Wairarapa District Council annual plan. SWBG are a community based group working collaboratively in the South Wairarapa to enhance waterway restoration and improvement of farming practices through support and education, and have a strong focus in the Lake Ferry (Onoke) locality. We have successfully delivered projects leading environmental change over the last 3 years.

The economic, health and wellbeing and environmental benefits to the district of developing these trails are potentially substantial given the experience in other NZ regions such as Otago and Hawkes Bay. Specifically we support the inclusion in your District Plan of the proposal to develop a trail down the eastern bank of the Ruamahanga River from Masterton to Lake Ferry and Ocean Beach as proposed by the Trails Wairarapa Trust. We understand that it may be feasible with the support of the council and local farm owners to have the Martinborough to Lake Ferry/Ocean Beach section of this trail available next summer to professionally guided groups of cyclists. This would be a great development for the district and help build the confidence required to fully develop this trail.

We also support the other trail developments outlined in the Trails Wairarapa Trust submission.

Specifically we suggest that the development of off road trails in the Wairarapa in a careful manner will support public interest in and our ability to enhance our natural environment. Native riparian planting and pest destruction programmes in conjunction with trail development, and helping adjacent landowners take best possible care of our rivers and lakes are aspects of the trails development planning we have strong congruence with, and are an area where the SWBG could add value to this project down the track.

Yours faithfully

Heather Atkinson President South Wairarapa Biodiversity Group



South Wairarapa District Council Draft Annual Plan 2014 - 2015

Submission to South Wairarapa District Council

(SWDC)

From

Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce

(WCoC)



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The Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce has 224 business members. This submission is presented to council by the Board Members of the Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce on behalf of our members.

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SWDC vision: Work with and for the South Wairarapa communities to affect the best possible social and economic outcomes which are based on valuing and respecting the people, the land and the resources.

SWDC have identified 5 community outcomes;

1. Healthy and Economically Secure People
2. Educated and Knowledgeable People

3. Vibrant & Strong Communities

4. Sustainable South Wairarapa

5. A Place that is Accessible and Easy to Get Around

The WCoC agree with this and agree that we should all be working together to obtain these outcomes. The WCoC would like to work with council to ensure that we successfully achieve them.

WCoC would like to clarify that the local economic development currently being completed in the region is tourism. Tourism is an important part of economic development however it is only part of it.

The following comments are not to undermine the work of Destination Wairarapa or suggest that this is not important. The following comments are aimed at the other parts of economic development – the ones that we do not currently do in the region at a local level.

There has been no 'local' economic development within the region since 2007 and this is of great concern.

It is important for growth in the region and the area that businesses choose Wairarapa as a great place to 'do business' and we would suggest this is not currently the case. There needs to be more information available for businesses looking to relocate to the Wairarapa. We believe the Wairarapa is not even on the national let alone international radar. One example of this is an international business that chose to enter the New Zealand market and base themselves in Feilding, they had not heard of the Wairarapa let alone Martinborough, Greytown or Featherston.

One business person stated "I've spoken with plenty of businesses who are interested in relocating to the 'Rapa' but there is no freely available information to be had. There's plenty about what to do when you visit, but nothing on why you would move here".

The WCoC has been asking council to look at funding projects in the area of 'local' economic development for a number of years and we ask that this be considered, again, with urgency.

We ask SWDC to ensure that development and growth does not become such a burden to business that they seek alternative locations outside the region.

This highlights an area of concern for the WCoC, fragmentation. The WCoC would like to see organisations, council and the business community working closer together to ensure a positive experience for any business looking to move to the district. To achieve the above district objectives we must all be working together to attain them.

There is a need for more collaboration and information sharing. When we have a business looking to move into the area we would like to see all parties work together to ensure a positive outcome.

The WCoC Board would like to become a partner in the area of 'local' economic development and believe WCoC has an important role to play. The WCoC Board see that by building stronger relationships with council we will be moving positively in the right direction.

We consider that business friendly initiatives need to be pushed harder and faster to allow the district to push itself ahead of other regions in the country. Unless we can demonstrate a commitment to strong and effective economic development and planning, we are at risk of being overlooked.

WCoC would also like to highlight that there are still increased costs for business and property owners. Insurance, increases in minimum wage and earthquake strengthening are putting added

financial pressure on many businesses. WCoC is concerned that Industrial/Commercial rates are going up significantly and this will put more financial pressure on businesses that employ many people in the area.

Another area that does put pressure on both council and business is transport links. This is an area that the WCoC would like to see improved. There is a need for better understanding of what enters and exits the region and how. There is a need to understand the logistics and economic impact of this area in order to ensure we have information and facts.

As we all know forestry is becoming a much bigger player in the next 5-10 years and we also know that much of this will come through roading networks that will need to be maintained and will get a lot more use than in the past. We have the same issue with our rural sector; the roads are an important part of our infrastructure and do impact on our economy as mentioned (page 17). We applaud SWDC for carrying out the 2km seal extension and acknowledge the cost (240k) does put pressure on council now that there is no NZTA subsidy.

There are many council funded community organisations working in silos and the WCoC would like to see them working together more for the benefit of our region. Too many organisations seem to be 'reinventing the wheel'. There needs to be more collaboration amongst these organisations to ensure that public money is being spent wisely and no duplication is occurring.

We understand that a lot of our community groups all require business support and other means of funding through sponsorship etc, however rather than approaching businesses separately WCoC would like to see a coordinated plan that can then be presented to the business community in a positive manner. Businesses do want to assist however it can be disheartening when approached by five or six organisations all asking for the same thing.

The WCoC agree with SWDC vision we just ask that the SWDC understand the importance of 'local' economic development in both retaining and attracting business and employees to the region, enhancing the regions GDP and ensuring economic opportunities are not missed.

To enable a strong and resilient economy in the future we ask that SWDC allow growth and economic wellbeing through ensuring closer relationships with the business community, greater communication and better understanding of the constraints many in business have and/or experience.

Interactive and transparent policy decisions and the desire to implement effective economic development and business growth in the region through collaboration can only be seen as positive for all. The WCoC would like to work with SWDC to achieve this for the region and would like to strengthen the relationship between the two organisations to ensure we succeed.

The WCoC would like to facilitate 'local' economic development for the SWDC. We ask that \$60,000 be put into an economic development fund that can be accessed by organisations to complete agreed projects on economic development.

The SWDC would be part of the project/s discussion and would be one of the stakeholders. The WCoC see other stakeholders in the area of local economic development as Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust, Wairarapa Reap, Rangitane o Wairarapa, Kahungunu ki Wairarapa and the Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce and others.

As many of SWDC councillors will be aware a Wairarapa Business Forum was being held on the 15th May 2014. The reasons for this is to look at the draft economic development strategy, see if it is still relevant and come up with some effective outcomes and actions that can be achieved.

The WCoC will facilitate a meeting with all organisations mentioned by attendees at this meeting to discuss a plan of action moving forward. It is hoped that the WCoC will have more information on this to share with council at the submission hearing. We would also like to meet with the councillors to ensure their input.

Many people are fed up with seeing little or no progress in this area and the WCoC would like to work with Council and other stakeholders to ensure positive outcomes for our region. The WCoC believe that we need to work together and support one another to ensure some action is actually seen.

WCoC may not always agree with SWDC however we do understand that by working together and ensuring understanding between the two organisations we can move forward in a more productive and positive way.

Yours Sincerely



Signed on behalf of the Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce Board
by;

Stephanie Gundersen-Reid
CEO
Wairarapa Chamber of Commerce

The WCoC would be pleased to support our submission to council on Monday 9th June

We would appreciate the hearing time being emailed through to steph@wairarapachamber.co.nz if possible.

Submission to: South Wairarapa District Council – Draft Annual Plan 2014/15
From: Cobblestones Museum Trust

Rates remission Cobblestones Museum, Main Street, Greytown

The South Wairarapa District Council has in the past generously supported the Cobblestones Museum with rates remission. We are seeking the continued support of this rates remission.

Cobblestones Museum is entering an exciting time in its development with the new entrance building to be completed in late June 2014. This will provide improved facilities to better manage our collection that has been at risk, display a number of our larger collection items and make the collection more accessible to the public.

Our site is large and included in the collection are six NZHPT category 2 listed buildings which require maintenance and management in terms of conservation best practice. The costs to undertake this work can at times be significant. We lease part of the site from Greytown Trust Lands Trust and they provide an annual grant to offset the cost of the rental.

The museum is a “not for profit” organisation and is managed and operated by volunteers and generates its funds through admissions, modest retail sales, donations and grants. The museum operates on a very tight budget and Trustees carefully scrutinise all expenditure.

The museum successfully attracts several thousand visitors each year and we believe that the visitation will continue to increase with the higher profile that will be achieved with the new building.

The museum is a valuable community asset both for Greytown and the wider South Wairarapa District.

The continued support of the South Wairarapa District Council with the rates remission will be greatly valued.

We would like to speak to our submission.

Graeme Gray

Chairperson

Cobblestones Museum Trust

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Submissions

I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Land Transport (Roading and Footpaths) (pages 47-50). We support the Council's goals and principle objectives in Section 3, particularly in relation to footpaths in the Martinborough urban environment. In Section 4, the introductory sentence could be amended to more accurately reflect the objectives. Suggested wording is 'Footpaths and pedestrian crossing points are established and kept in a safe and useable condition to separate pedestrians from other road users and provide foot access to properties and community facilities such as schools.' The second bullet point could be amended or an additional bullet point included which says that 'all urban streets within two blocks of Martinborough School have a footpath on at least one side and safe street crossing points'. We encourage the Council to include an additional performance indicator in the Statement of Service Performance table in section 7 saying 'footpaths and safe crossing points on all streets within two blocks of primary schools' with a 100% performance target from the 2014/15 year onwards. To achieve the above requested changes, we ask that an additional appropriate sum is added to the capital expenditure for new footpaths (Section 8). Related to the above submission points, we ask that the Council installs a new footpath on at least one side of Roberts Street in Martinborough and extends it along Grey Street a sufficient distance to provide for a safe pedestrian crossing location. The reason for this request is that a number of children walk or cycle to Martinborough School via Roberts Street. This street has poor intersection design, particularly at the Roberts/Grey Street intersection, which creates a significant safety risk for children using the carriageway. Children crossing from Roberts Street to the School have to negotiate this off-set intersection where vehicle drivers have a relatively complex set of considerations and hazards to contend with, including sun strike in the morning. We also ask as a secondary priority that the footpath along Weld Street is extended to connect to the new Roberts Street

footpath. We would be happy to meet with Council officers to discuss options for footpath location and to explain the current hazard.

Page 15, Martinborough Town Hall upgrade. We support the Council's proposal to make an increased contribution to the upgrade of the Martinborough Town Hall and the enhancement of the precinct as a community centre. We believe that there will be significant community benefits that will occur over a long period of time that justify the capital expense associated with this project. Council contribution only to strengthening without enabling the additional enhancements required to make the facility fully functional would be a lost investment opportunity. We support the project being funded so that it is designed and constructed properly to ensure that it can deliver benefits over a long period of time.

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Cc: Enquiries
Subject: RE: Rimutaki Summit Development - Will there be toilets included??

Good Morning Wendy

The Rimutakas border South Wairarapa District Council and not Carterton District Council, I have therefore included them in my reply back to you.

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Subject: Rimutaki Summit Development - Will there be toilets included??

Hello I read in one of the local papers recently that there was going to be new tracks and gardens at the top of Rimutaki Hill.

I also read that there was no plans for a public toilet to put there. That seems ridiculous - as already it is a spot people stop and look at the view and whatever!!

If you are encouraging people to take in the environment there will be more people stopping - and time they have gone for a stroll someone is going to need to use the toilet - not just the children.!!

To Upper Hutt City Council,
Carterton District Council,
Transit NZ and
Wellington Regional Council

Hello to you all.

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If you are encouraging people to take in the environment there will be more people stopping - and time they have gone for a stroll someone is going to need to use the toilet - not just the children.!!

They have great toilets at places like Battle Hill - and there are many options of composting toilets around. They have already spent millions on the Muldoon Corners - a bit more for a couple of toilets is just a drop in the bucket!! (even if we have to bring our own toilet Paper!! and water to wash our hands)

Can this issue please be included in discussion for Annual Plan etc and Budget for Council. I am aware it may be a joint cost with Upper Hutt City Council, Wairarapa Council and Regional Council and Tanzit NZ (roading).

Thank you. I would appreciate an answer at some stage on what the outcome on this will be. If you have any feedback or questions - feel free to email me.

With Regards

*Wendy Rozenberg
Concerned Wellingtonian*

My Background

- I have been a resident of Featherston, and have lived in the Commercial Zone of Fitzherbert Street since 1991. Although no longer actively involved in the industry, I have a degree and background in Architecture.
- I have seen proposals to resolve the dis-jointed nature of Fitzherbert Street, and worked for a Architectural Practice that was commissioned in 1996 by then Councillor Adamson to present a concept for the integration of the various parts of Fitzherbert Street.
- I have a keen interest in a vibrant main street and town, which includes helping some local businesses with the fit-out of their retail and café premises

I have met with McIndoeUrban, the Urban Designers in charge of the Christchurch rebuilt of the retail area to discuss the consultation process as well as presented concept on the feedback form.

I have also made my own investigations and am trying to understand the proposals for the empty 'Chungs' site in Fitzherbert Street from an Urban Design perspective. I would like to use this opportunity to make some comments and share my beliefs regarding the Menz Shed and the Town Square with you.

I do believe the proposals on the feedback form have some merit, but they need to be assessed in the greater scheme of our Main Street!

For the benefit of those who are not familiar with our District Plan, I will first read some extracts from Chapter 6, which relates to the Commercial Zones of all the Wairarapa Towns.

Extracts from Combined Wairarapa District Plan Chapter 6 – Commercial Zone ¹⁰⁸

(<http://www.mstn.govt.nz/planning/combinedplan/Documents/Part%20A%20-%20Environmental%20Zones>)

From the introduction chapter:

The Commercial Zone is a significant economic and community resource in the Wairarapa. It is essential that the Commercial Zone provide for continued development to accommodate changes in the economy, and in the nature and form of commercial activities.

A range of mixed use activities in the Commercial Zone assists in building vibrant town centres, and reinforces them as focal points for a range of retail, business, community and lifestyle activities.

The Commercial Zone is that of a working business environment, and the zone has Permitted Activity standards and a range of Permitted Activities that reflect that the amenity values and character of it, are those for a commercial environment.

Commercial areas need to be effective business environments. They need to be accessible and attractive to customers and workers, economically vibrant.....

6.3.2 Com1 Policies

- (a) Maintain and enhance the function, character and amenity of the Commercial Zone by controlling the bulk, location and nature of activities and buildings to achieve appropriate levels of scale, density and environmental effects.
- (b) Encourage a wide range of appropriate activities within the Commercial Zone while ensuring any adverse effects are avoided, remedied or mitigated.

Extracts from 6.3.3 Explanation

To maintain and enhance the zone's attributes and purpose, minimum performance standards have been specified. These standards reflect past practice and the normal range of activities that occur within the Commercial Zone. They also provide for change so that more effective use can occur where appropriate. **The standards will allow activities to occur where the effects are likely to be no more than minor. If an activity fails to meet one or more minimum standard, its potential effects may be more than minor, and an assessment of environmental effects will be required through the resource consent process.**

Extracts from 6.3.16 Objective Com6 – South Wairarapa Town Centres

To ensure the special characteristics and historic heritage values of the town centres of Featherston, Greytown, and Martinborough are maintained and enhanced in a manner that enables their efficient commercial functioning.

Extracts from 6.3.17 Com6 Policies

(b) Maintain and enhance the character of the Featherston, Greytown, and Martinborough town centres by controlling new development in a manner that is keeping with their historic heritage values.

(c) Avoid new development that is out of character with the historic heritage values of the Featherston, Greytown and Martinborough Town Centres.

(d) Promote a pleasant pedestrian-oriented retail environment.

Extracts from 6.3.19 Methods to Implement the Commercial Zone Policies

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- (a) Development standards for permitted activities to protect the character, amenity, and function of the Commercial Zone.
- (b) Identification of the Pedestrian and Historic Heritage Precincts in the commercial areas, and apply specific development standards as appropriate to the form, character and amenity values of each area.
- (f) Assessment of environmental effects through the resource consent process for activities that do not comply with development standards.

Extracts from 6.4 Anticipated Environmental Outcomes

- (f) Attractive town centres where protected historic character and well-designed new development has added to the vitality and distinctive amenity of each town.

35.1.2 Aims

The purpose of this plan is to provide guidelines for new development and additions to existing buildings in the district and to **provide details of townscape and civic improvements**. In particular the Guide aims:

(iv) **To retain the historic character of the district**, created by elements such as:

- ☐ Original architecture;
- ☐ Historic sites, buildings and objects;
- ☐ Mature landscape;
- ☐ Rural setting;
- ☐ Scale of townships;
- ☐ **Nature and containment of town centre and market place;**
- ☐ **Streetscape.**

(v) To encourage the development of the town centre as a focus for community activity and create spaces for public use.

(vi) **To ensure that new development within the district's areas of application (see Section 35.1.3 below) is compatible with the existing visual, treed and built character** and to oversee and advise all changes to ensure that the above aims are considered.

35.1.3 Areas of Application

The Design Guide applies to the Heritage Precincts in Martinborough, Featherston and Greytown

Based on the District Plan, I have some questions about the proposed site for the Menz Shed. These may not be able to be answered in the time frame allotted to me, but receiving answers on them would be good.

1. How do you believe the Menz Shed adds to the vitality and amenity of this part of town?
2. Can the proposed location and use be explained and justified against the criteria mentioned under chapter 6 of the District Plan, in particular with relevance to how ,by nature of the activities which take place in the Menz Shed, it “can maintain and enhance the function, character and amenity of the Commercial Zone” as stated in the District Plan
3. I understand from the Masterton District Council’s planning department that they could not accept a workshop in Queen Street because of the associated issues related to noise and dust. Could you explain the impact the Menz Shed will have on the area. In the context with the District Plan, would you consider the impact to be ‘minor’ relative to the surrounding activities, and do you believe it meets the minimum standards set out in the District Plan?
4. Have other sites been assessed for the location of the Menz Shed and if so why was the current location favoured?

I am not against the concept of the Menz Shed, and can understand the temptation of a 'free' building and land. However, I believe the nature of the activities within the Menz Shed are contrary to both the commercial and community nature of the surrounding areas. 108

A highly visible Menz Shed in the commercial heart of Featherston is out of context with the retail and community nature of the area. The Menz Shed should not, and doesn't have to be visible to the passing public.

1. The Menz Shed is a workshop type facility...There are no similar activities in this section of Fitzherbert Street. All businesses are either retail or service.
2. Menz Sheds in other towns are located away from built up areas or in a semi industrial/commercial area... If you google towns with Menz Sheds you will find there is one in Masterton, Palmerston North, Wellington, Levin, Naenae and Greytown. Streetview on Google Earth shows that not one of them is in a commercial/retail area.

I don't know if other public areas have been considered, but a Menz Shed on a small part of the dog park in Johnston Street, across from the rugby grounds seems like a location much more in line with the location of other Menz Sheds.

Area Fundamentals:

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- The Commercial area of Fitzherbert Street consists of 3 distinct, but disjointed parts as a result of the railway line, State Highway 2, Fox Street and Clifford Square.
- The top and bottom commercial sections are distinct precinct type areas with highly identifiable architectural elements
- The middle section is under-developed and the retail building stock is tired. Yet this is the geographical heart of the commercial area of town. Despite its location, it is the most empty and least attractive section. Only the south side has a continuous street face. The northern side looks onto the rear of bland commercial buildings in Fox Street, which currently have a major visual impact on the streetscape of this part of town
- The existing park areas referred to as Clifford Square are the basis for town gatherings like Christmas, Rimutaka Incline bike race, and contains various musea and public amenities such as the library and public toilets. Despite this there is no strong public space such as a town square to support the areas function

Questions about the Town Square

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- Where does the idea of a town square on the site in question come from?
- Why have past concepts and Management Plans for the Clifford Square been rejected/ignored?
- Is there a budget and for the proposed development, and what is the brief?
- Has there been any professional input into the concept for the proposed Town Square?
- Has the concept been developed with relation to the rest of the surrounding areas in town? If so, can you explain how it relates to the retail part of Fitzherbert Street and Clifford Square?
- How is the Menz Shed related to the proposal for the Town Square?

Option 1: As per Survey Form



- A. With Menz Shed in shown location, it is difficult to establish a relation between buildings and developments along Fitzherbert Street
- B. Developing town centre next to existing green areas does not give meaning to the green areas as a whole
- C. Use town centre development to integrate skate park into street scape

Option 2: Commercial development only



- A. Continue building line to give meaning to commercial/retail nature of the area
- B. Retain existing green areas, possibly move Menz Shed to Fox Street
- C. Develop town centre on green areas on opposite side of street

Option 3



- A. Continue building line to match opposite side of street
- B. Give form and meaning to green areas. Soften harsh structures such as skate park
- C. Develop town centre on green areas on opposite side of street

I have considered 3 possible scenarios for the middle part of Fitzherbert Street and Clifford Square; The first one based on the presented concept on the feedback form, the second based on commercial development right along the empty site in question and the last an in between option based on existing building lines and the relationship with Clifford Square

The first option provides an opportunity to better landscape around the fortress-like skate park structure. It could also provide other public areas such as a hard court play area. Although there is space for a smaller town square, it limits the potential for a good commercial development on the northern side.

There is no integration between the northern and southern side of Fitzherbert Street in the area, and leaves a backdrop of unattractive rear facades of the commercial buildings of Fox Street. It also does not integrate Clifford Square into the overall context, as the green heart of Featherston.

The second option offers development opportunities for retail, and by selling the land it will return some money which could be used for a town square development in Clifford Square.

However, it does not address the adjoining issues with the skate park and the Menz Shed would have to find another home.

A third option looks at landscaping around the skate park structure and integration with the adjoining green areas. The larger part of the area would still be available for a commercial development would allow for the northern and southern street faces to look visually correct with matching bulk and scale of buildings and development.

The Menz Shed could potentially be located on a nearby area or back section, if another appropriate site is not available.

Like option 2, a town square could be developed in Clifford Square, which would give meaning to this area.

I believe it is too early to decide on a permanent location for the Menz shed and the town square.

By considering the whole of the area which, includes both Fitzherbert Street and Clifford Square, it will be possible to please the vast majority of our Community, and stop the division. Please think about this carefully, as it will have a major impact on the future of Featherston

South Wairarapa District Council



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Submissions

I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

Yes

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Skate Park for Greytown youth.

Not identified specifically in DAP but may well be in there somewhere. Using opportunity to bring to Councils attention

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Submission pertaining SWDC Draft Annual Plan 2014/15

Skate Park for Greytown

My submission is a personal opinion only but one I believe valid and important, and one which I have some past professional experience of value.

I have followed the ongoing debate regarding the provision of a skate park style facility for our Greytown youth for recent years, which sadly faltered away a few years ago basically from frustrations, lack of support and I would offer a lack of commitment from Council. Otherwise one would exist now.

I recently visited the most eastern community in New Zealand, Te Araroa, at East Cape. There is not much there. It is a small community and very isolated. They have a neat skate park. This reinforced my opinion. Why don't we?

I am currently President of Greytown Lions and we were pleased to assist Council with the fencing to the 'off the lead' dog park at the end of Cotter Street. While working on this & other projects I have also discussed with my fellow Lions, Council representatives and members of the public a number of other community projects of varying nature.

What has come to light concerns me in that it appears there is a proposal to establish a facility adjacent to the Dog Park that would accommodate a BMX track & maybe Skate Park for our youth.

In fact I have been told the decision has been made. End of story.

I note there is no specific reference to any such development or spending in the Draft Annual Plan, but I accept such a small project may be absorbed in a larger Amenity reference. However, I take to opportunity to comment as follows;

I appreciate Council perhaps has land available in this 'ex Stellar Bull Park' area for public use and they may well be keen to see it utilised now that we have the Rail Trail and Governors Green.

But by default that should not be the major factor in relation to any youth facility & I submit this area would be completely inappropriate.

I have watched the development of the Masterton, Carterton & Featherston Skate Parks over their time, during which I was a member of New Zealand Police & clearly had an interest.

I recall the many issues relating to the Masterton development; bullies & undesirables, boy racers, drug dealings, disorder, graffiti. The need to install security CCTV to help little 10 yr old 'Johnny' enjoy the public facility without having his skate board snatched from him by someone else...or worse. Mums & Dads shouldn't have to be in attendance at such a facility. Kids need to be kids.

We (Police) felt the location would be public enough to be 'self policing' to an extent. I'd offer that it was not. Vehicle access accentuated the problem with 'undesireables' able to access the river bank area etc, and it is just too far away from public traffic to have an effect.

Cotter/Pierce/West Streets does not counter any of these basic issues & is extremely remote. As was the earlier proposal to site it near the old railways goods shed on West Street some years ago.

To suggest (speculatively) that the Dog Park & Rail Trail users will afford any 'public presence' to make a difference would be insignificant. This is not the place for any youth facility.

I would offer that the Featherston Skate Park is a reasonably successful example and has factors we should be taking on board.

In conclusion my submission offers;

- Cotter/Pierce Street is an inappropriate location for any youth facility
- A skate Park MUST be located in public view and as convenient as possible for kids & parents to get to & from. Prime site stuff...but what do we want to achieve?
- Preferably it should be located adjacent to other facilities where the public are attending; carparks, retail outlets (supermarket?), schools, parks etc.
- If there are 'long term development' proposals for Greytown sporting amenities in the pipeline and not ready to announce yet then I ask has consideration been made to establish a 'temporary modular' facility that can be established in a short term location for kids of today, with a view it can be relocated to the 'ideal' spot in the future.

I personally believe a Skate Park style facility should be sited in Kuratawhiti Street as part of the Memorial Park development. 'Johnny' could be skating while parents have other kids playing on playground, swimming at the baths, playing sport on the playfield, etc. there should already be plenty of 'play noise' so fits right in. Visiting campground users would have access. People are everywhere there already, that's what it is. What needs be done to make it work?

I can advise that Greytown Lions are keen to support such a project. Funds are tagged & can be available for the right project.

However, I personally (and only as a single Lion Club member, this is not a policy or anything) will oppose any involvement or funds being made available to any development that is unsuitable in my view.

If Cotter Street is the best SWDC can offer then I suggest don't bother. Be honest to our community.

Let's make it happen for today's kids and the future.

Bruce Farley

Greytown.

From: Emma McCleary [mailto:emma.mccleary@gmail.com]
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SUBMISSION:

Page four: I support \$205K of reserves being spend on a cycleway from Cross Creek to Featherston – this will ensure cyclists can safely travel from the rail trail to town, which can boost tourism opportunities. As it stands the road can be a scary place to bike.

Page four: I disagree with the plan for the Martinborough Town Hall upgrade. I disagree that the community has the money to contribute one million dollars through fundraising to the Martinborough Town Hall upgrade and am not happy about a rates increase.

I would support alternatives being considered and think that some better thought could be given to how this centre functions. For example, selling a naming rights agreement to a company or business who would then manage the rentals within the hall and control the venue as an events centre/hall for hire would be one idea.

The summary document outlines the need to strengthen the hall but I don't see the benefits of this. I'm also unclear on the popularity and usage of the Town Hall and don't see any information on anticipated revenue for future years.

On page five you outline that it's been difficult to find long term tenants for The Greytown Town Centre – this is a prime site in Greytown and an award-winning building. I don't think you can rationalise the spend on the Martinborough Town Hall when a nearby hall that is more centrally located with greater foot traffic is not well used.

Page five: I support the work on improving water supply to the three main towns and the cost associated with this.

I would not like to discuss my submission.

South Wairarapa District Council



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Submissions

I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the annual plan. My submission is set out below.

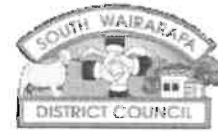
Page 25, table 8 - disagree with proposed operating costs for governance, leadership and advocacy. Council should be making very endeavour to control its own costs. As such budgeting \$50k more than the long term plan would not represent good value, and Council should be looking to constrain this expenditure.

Page 63, point 7. Disagree with performance metrics. With a baseline of 67% for satisfaction in 2005 to only aspire to achieve 70% demonstrates a lack of commitment to delivering improvements in satisfaction over nearly a 10 year period.

In a similar vein with the Council seeking to assure residents about future plans for wastewater surely the Council should aim for 100% in resource consent conditions being complied with. As currently framed the Council believes albeit in the name of technical breaches that 10% or some 35 days of non compliance is acceptable in terms of smell, spill and health.

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Submissions

I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Page 15 and 41 referring to the Martinborough Town hall Community Centre.

I agree with the EQ strengthening to the original amount allocated of \$900,000.

I disagree with the additional concept of Martinborough Town Hall Working Group refurbishment project of the extra refurbishment over and above the EQ strengthening.

Alternative suggestion - nil - just keep to the original plan of EQ strengthening

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Yes

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Page 15 and 41 referring to the Martinborough Town hall Community Centre.

I agree with the EQ strengthening to the original amount allocated of \$900,000.

I disagree with the additional concept of Martinborough Town Hall Working Group refurbishment project of the extra refurbishment over and above the EQ strengthening.

Alternative suggestion - nil - just keep to the original plan of EQ strengthening

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I support the complete works on the Anzac Hall for the 2016 anniversary - the hall should be painted and resealed walkways around the outside. It also should have new refurbished toilets in the Kiwi Hall part as done in the Main Hall.

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I support the continue on the new cemetery development at Featherston

Page 15

I support the new initiative to construct a cycleway from cross creek to Featherston

Not currently in the Annual Plan - new request to consider

A concrete footpath laid on the grass area of walkway to the station on Johnstone street opposite Garry Thomas house) between Fox and Bell street with 2 street lights. Essentially an extension from footpath that has lighting between Bell and Harrison street that takes you straight onto the station platform - this walkway is used on a daily basis and feedback that as a high use area that the continuation of the footpath laid between Bell and Harrison should continue on through. As it is a high use area there is need for street lighting for safety reasons.

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No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

In 2013 I submitted a proposal that the Transfer stations have a skip within the gated area for locals NOT on the regular rubbish collection routes to be able to dispose of non-recyclable rubbish. My suggestion (discussed with neighbours and friends who also see a need) was that we be able to buy rubbish bags at local supermarkets to dump into the skip, hence funding the operation of it. The initial feedback at the meeting was that people would dump other things - not valid as the station is staffed and controlled. The final feedback - verbal from a councillor - was that it is not in the contract. This year's submission is that it be included in the contract! - whenever it is renegotiated.

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MARTINBOROUGH
BUSINESS
ASSOCIATION

17 May 2014

Chief Executive Officer
South Wairarapa District Council
Martinborough

Submission on South Wairarapa District Council AP 2014

We would like to make the following submissions on the Council's Annual Plan:

- We support the on-going investigations and research into sustainable irrigation projects in the Wairarapa valley and appreciate being kept informed. We ask that the Council, prior to giving consideration to investing in, or publicly expressing support for proceeding with, such projects, undertakes independent economic investigations to support objective decision-making, and obtains a clear mandate from the community (which involves well-informed community consultation).
- We support the actions taken to help the New Zealand Cycle Trail and request that Council assists by providing cycle signage (cycle trail information, safety notices); furniture (bike racks, consider cyclists when upgrading intersections); and information (maps of trails, cycling itineraries, timetables and contacts for shuttles).
- We support the ongoing funding of Destination Wairarapa. International and domestic tourism is an important contributor to Martinborough community's well-being.
- We strongly support the Town Hall Project in Martinborough. We look forward to watching progress and being involved where possible. Involvement in consultation to date has been excellent and we are looking forward to the start of construction.
- We have concerns about the efficacy of moving the iSITE to the Town Hall precinct as it is currently a traffic 'dead zone'. The design of the community centre needs ensure that the footfall of the iSITE is increased and that it is fit for purpose. The Town Hall Working Group needs to engage with tourism operators and Destination Wairarapa to make sure beyond reasonable doubt that the Community Centre facility is a better proposition than the current iSITE facility or any other alternatives.
- Access to fast broadband continues to be an issue for business in Martinborough. Our main growth in membership is in the Professional and Trade services. Fast internet is key to building high value business in Martinborough. We encourage the Council to strongly advocate, including to the network providers and Central Government agencies, on behalf of the business community for rapid and affordable access to high speed broadband services.



- Please continue to involve the Business Association in consultation on the preparation of Reserves Management & Development Plans (such as the Square Management Plan and Town Hall). Well-developed and managed community facilities are essential to support a vibrant business sector, which relies on a healthy and happy community and visitors to the area.
- We are very concerned about the loss of the Sunday bus service between Featherston and Martinborough. We believe that the loss of this service is having a negative impact on weekend tourism in Martinborough. We have seen a reduction in weekend stays by younger Wellington residents and a reduction in Sunday day trippers. We would urge SWDC to work to reinstate this bus service.

Thanks for the opportunity to submit. We DO wish to be heard, but we are happy to answer any questions.

Regards

Frank Cornelissen
Chairman, Martinborough Business Association



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Chief Executive Officer
 South Wairarapa District Council
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 MARTINBOROUGH

16 May 2014

Submission on South Wairarapa District Council AP 2014

We do wish to be heard with respect to this submission

Martinborough TOP 10 Holiday Park is a Qualmark 4+ park operating on land leased from SWDC in the Considine Park reserve.

In the 12 months to 30th April 2014 we welcomed just under 6,000 guests, 48% of these guests were international tourists whilst events are a crucial driver of domestic visitation. Based on expenditure research carried out by Angus and Associates¹ our guests contributed \$1.15m to the local economy in the 12 months to 30 April 2014.

P22. Governance, Leadership and Advocacy - Shared Services

We support the continued development of shared services, where cost savings can be achieved without prejudice to South Wairarapa residents.

P22. Governance, Leadership and Advocacy - Wairarapa Water Use

We support the on-going investigations and research into sustainable irrigation projects in the Wairarapa valley. We have concerns about nitrogen levels and pollution from unbridled farming. However we also find the amenity value of lakes to be attractive from a recreational and tourism point of view. It is not all about economics and farming.

P32. Economic Development - Ultra Fast Broadband

We see that UFB is live in a subdivision in Martinborough and that fibre has been laid to our school. What can we do to roll it out within the urban boundary or have wireless options been explored? We believe that access to excellent broadband is essential for economic growth and to encourage new businesses into the area.

¹ Peak Season Holiday Park Visitors 2012/13, Angus & Associates, January 2013

**P33. Economic Development - Destination Wairarapa**

We support the ongoing funding of Destination Wairarapa, their work is crucial to the tourism industry.

P33. Economic Development - Council Support of Events

Events are a key driver of domestic visitation to South Wairarapa, we appreciate the ongoing support that Council provides for events.

P41. Amenities - Considine Park

We note that Considine Park is missing from the list of Martinborough public amenities that are owned and maintained by Council, we assume this is an oversight.

P41. Amenities - Notable Trees on Considine Park (Holiday Park and pool area)

The Cedar hedge outside the pool is notable under the district plan. It urgently needs topping and trimming with the work done to trim around the wires totally insufficient. We request that Council arrange for the hedge to be trimmed and add it to the schedule to be checked annually. We also ask that Council ensures that the notable trees on the holiday park continue to be checked annually by a qualified arborist.

P41. Amenities - Removal of Pine Trees on Considine Park

The two mature pine trees on Considine Park should be removed as agreed in the Development Plan. They have been temporarily left there to provide shade however their location within the park means they are not used as such. No alternative shade planting has been carried out since the Reserves Management Plan was finalised. Their removal will enable us to better utilise our leased land without risking damage to tents and campervans from falling pine cones.

P41. Amenities - Martinborough Town Hall and Community Centre

We strongly support the Town Hall and Community Centre Project in Martinborough, this is a great opportunity to revitalise the town centre. We look forward to watching progress and being involved where possible. The Martinborough i-Site is crucial to tourism in the South Wairarapa and we request that Council and the Steering Group ensure that operation and visibility of the i-Site are given a high priority in the new Community Centre development. Particular attention needs to be given to directional signage to ensure that relocation of the i-Site is not detrimental to the objectives of Destination Wairarapa and local tourism operators.



P41. Amenities - Coastal Camping Designated Areas

We support SWDC's current approach to coastal camping and would like to continue to be consulted on changes to freedom camping rules and facilities wherever possible.

P43. Cycle Trail Development

We strongly support the Rimutaka Cycle Trail and see cycle tourism as a major growth opportunity for South Wairarapa tourism. We support the development of a cycle way from Cross Creek to Featherston.

P45. Land Transport - Intersection of Kitchener and Princess Street

This intersection is dangerous, the current road markings and give way signage are insufficient. We regularly see drivers on Princess Street drive straight across Kitchener St without slowing down (about 4-6 times per year). We ask Council to investigate all options for improving safety at this junction and would particularly suggest the investigation of traffic islands with Give Way signs in the middle of the intersection. Traffic Islands will also stop cars and trucks from cutting the corner when turning right into Princess St. It is only a matter of time before there is a serious accident at this intersection.

P45. Land Transport - Sunday bus service between Featherston and Martinborough

We believe that the loss of this service is having a negative impact on weekend tourism in Martinborough. We have seen a reduction in weekend stays by younger Wellington residents and a reduction in Sunday day trippers. We would urge SWDC to work to reinstate this bus service.

P46. Land Transport - Footpaths

We, and our guests, regularly use the Venice Street footpath between Princess and Broadway. The surface is deteriorating rapidly and is becoming a trip hazard in a number of locations. We request that Council allocate more funding to footpath repairs and renewals to improve the quality and safety of our footpath network.

We will follow the annual planning process with interest.

Regards

Frank & Lisa Cornelissen

Emily Greenberg
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Paul Crimp, CEO
South Wairarapa District Council
PO Box 6
Martinborough 5741 (via email)

19 May 2014

Dear Paul

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the SWDC draft Annual Plan 2014-2015.

I note that page 5 of the draft Annual Plan states Council has to highlight any major differences from what had been planned in the previous Long Term Plan, and why the changes are needed.

1. I attended the community meeting at Kiwi Hall about this plan and heard that the upgrade of the 3 wastewater plants are anticipated to cost upwards of \$34 million dollars. Given that the Long Term Plan 2012/22 states that this upgrade is budgeted to cost \$17M (page 19), I would have thought this was one of the financial items needing to be highlighted. However, the highlights on page 15 make no mention of this significant spending increase, or how this money will be found and serviced.

I therefore request that:

- The Annual Plan highlight that there is an anticipated need to borrow a significant amount of money to upgrade Council's core service of wastewater collection and treatment. I understand from the meeting at Kiwi Hall, that is an anticipated need to borrow and service a \$22M loan.

I do not think it is genuine to present any of the other highlighted items on page 15 without mention and consideration of this unavoidable big spend that must be planned for and budgeted for now. Council should focus on providing core services first.

2. I accept that Council has already pledge \$900,000 for earthquake strengthening of the Martinborough Town Hall. I do not support any additional Council money going towards this project. I especially do not support selling Council assets to fund this project. Stick to the original agreement that the community funds the refurbishment.

3. I support the proposed funding of the cycleway from Cross Creek to Featherston. This will attract more tourist dollars to our region and local businesses.

4. The final configuration of the recently swapped land in Featherston is deserving of quality consultation before a decision is made. Council should help enable the community to make the best decision. I note that no money is attached to this highlight on page 15. Therefore I request that at least \$30K is provided to ensure an experienced professional is made available to plan and guide this consultation.

Thank you again for this opportunity to make my submission. I would appreciate the opportunity to speak to this submission.

Regards

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Submissions

I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

Page 17 Martinborough Town Hall Community Centre: Martinborough Toy Library is a small community run charity. Specifically Martinborough Toy Library is in support of the proposed earthquake strengthening of the Town Hall and further refurbishment. Further support could be offered by our presence in the new facility to help create a family friendly environment and fun place for children to visit. The toy library would work well alongside other children's focussed areas such as Plunket and the children's area in the library.

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Martinborough Town Hall Community Centre Page 15:

I object to the proposal to spend ratepayer money on the earthquake strengthening for the following reasons:

1) The building has no architectural or historical merit. The money allocated for strengthening would be better used on a new replacement building that would, by default, comply with current building code and be purpose designed.

2) Featherston is in dire need of some major investment and money spent on development of the vacant lot on Fitzherbert Street would likely give a better return in terms of better facilities for residents and visitors.

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Fitzherbert Street development diagrams.pdf

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Fitzherbert Street as approached from Greytown



As per proposal on feedback sheet, with smaller commercial development on site next to supermarket



As per proposal on feedback sheet, with commercial development on entire site next to supermarket

The question should not be what goes on the vacant site, but what is the best place in town for what we want to see.

There is plenty of open public land in Fitzherbert Street for a town square, but no Wairarapa town has 2000 square metres of empty commercial zoned land in its main street for a comprehensive development.

We have to make sure we get this right, as it will dictate the next 25 to 50 years for Featherston!

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Submission from certain residents of Hart St_AP2014b.docx

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Submission from certain residents of Hart St, Featherston

The following residents wish to make the following submission to the SWDC in respect of, and in conjunction with the draft Annual Plan 2014

1 Hart St: Dr Tim Beal

3&5 Hart St: Ms Margaret Burt and Ms Diane Percival

6 Hart St: Ms May Brown

7 Hart St: Mr & Mrs Alf and Carole Page

This submission had its origins in a meeting of the above residents with Councillor Colin Olds in March 2014

Cycle trail

We support the proposal in the draft Annual Plan for a cycle trail to connect Featherston with the Rimutaka Incline at Cross Creek but urge to Council to make proper provision so that the direct and indirect tourism benefits are realised for Featherston itself and the wider area. There is no indication in the draft Annual Plan how this issue is to be addressed.

Speed limits

We are concerned that traffic coming into Featherston from the direction of Wellington is allowed to enter to periphery of the urban area too fast. This creates problems with safety, noise, and lost opportunities for local business. Most drivers seem to regard Featherston as part of the approach road to Greytown, and beyond, and something to be traversed as quickly as possible. We propose move the 70 km speed limit back up the hill to beyond the reserve on SH2 and the 50km zone to the reserve itself so that traffic is already slowed when it makes the left turn. The situation is particularly, and unnecessarily hazardous at the moment with entrances to a number of properties within the 100km, and 70 km zone.

We also propose that the same principle be applied to the Greytown approach, with the 70km and 50 kms zones being moved a kilometre or so in the direction of Greytown so that traffic is slowed to 50km by the time it enters the urban area.

We feel that in addition to improving safety, and reducing noise pollution, this would also have a calming psychological effect on drivers who might be more inclined to stop in Featherston for purchases and refreshment. This should also be part of a much broader traffic management strategy beyond the scope of this submission.

Footpaths

We urge the Council to implement its policy of ensuring that all roads have at least one footpath, and that this is kept clear of obstruction, particularly for the benefit of older residents and parents with pushchairs

Dog litter

We suggest that the problem of dog litter could be reduced by providing more, and highly visible, dog poo stands with bags. We understand that this is a relatively cheap but effective way of addressing the problem

Abbots Creek

There is continued anxiety about flood erosion from Abbots Creek. This is of particular concern to properties adjacent to the stream, namely 7 Hart St

Uncovered drains in Brandon St

Much of the storm water drain along Brandon Street, between Hart St and Moore St, is uncovered and this is hazardous for traffic and small children

General state of the town and derelict buildings

Recently there have been encouraging signs of rehabilitation of Featherston, with new and renovated shops and the construction of the enlarged supermarket. That and the proposed development of adjacent civic space owe much to Council leadership. We hope that this provides the foundation for the formulation of a comprehensive, long-term, visionary, and achievable strategy for the rejuvenation of Featherston.

However, one problem that is requiring immediate attention is the question of derelict buildings littering the main street. This not merely represents lost opportunities for commercial and/or civil development but creates a very negative image of the town for both residents and those passing through

We realise that this obvious problem has been discussed at Council and we are annoyed that no solution has been agreed upon, even though other councils – Hutt comes to mind – apparently have found ways to make sure that owners of derelict buildings perform their civic duty.



From: The Board, Toi Wairarapa Arts, Culture & Heritage Trust
 Contact: mena@toiwairarapa.co.nz
 For note: **We wish to speak to our submission Monday 9 June 2014.**

To: Mayor Adrienne Staples and Councillors:

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the 2014/15 draft annual plan and this Council's continued support of the arts and cultural heritage of South Wairarapa, and beyond.

We submit:

- *That, Toi Wairarapa is supported as recommended in the ACH strategy to 1.5 FTE, or as close to, on a per capita basis.*
- *And if so, the three Wairarapa district councils jointly agree on the amount to be set on a per capita basis.*
- *That, the Review of the strategy be stopped and instead Toi Wairarapa undertakes a sector-wide survey.*
- *That, the amount of \$5,000 received for the Review in 2013/14 FY contributes to the per capita contribution sought to form part of the 2014/15 annual grant to Toi Wairarapa.*
- *As well, increase 2014/15 FY grant from \$7,500 to \$9,292 to meet the minimum proposed per capita rate of \$1.50.*

In support:

At the Combined Councils' meeting on 4 April 2014 that forum heard Toi Wairarapa's submission for increased support on an equitable basis, and stop the Review of the Arts, Culture and Heritage strategy. From the feedback received there, we affirm and elaborate further those same submissions.

Toi Wairarapa is a key contributor to the Combined Councils' strategy for the region's Arts, Culture and Heritage. The recommendation to fund 1.5 FTE workers to properly develop the aims set out has never been met. The breakdown of \$25,000 from Masterton, \$10,000 of Carterton and \$7,500 from South Wairarapa totals \$42,500 that provides for one part-time worker (at .6 FTE) and small office costs. Funds required for programmes and extra services are sought from various providers including allocations within councils.

Each council by way of the Combined Councils **own** the Strategy. A clear intention to establish and operate Toi Wairarapa as a regional organisation is realised yet continues to be inadequately supported in the nearly six years of operation. Thus, we submit that the

contribution based on a per capita allocation reflects a more equitable spread from each of the communities served.

Current amount per head population	Masterton (23,400)* \$25,000 (1.06)	Carterton (7,820)* \$10,000 (1.28)	South Wairarapa (9,528)** \$7,500 (0.78)
Based on an equal per capita contribution (\$)	\$	\$	\$
1.50	35,100	11,730	14,292
1.60	37,440	11,730	15,248
1.70	39,780	13,294	16,197
1.80	42,120	14,076	17,150
<i>Figures from *2013 Census Community Profile, respectively and ** 2013 SWDC Annual Plan 'At a glance', p. 8.</i>			

Recommendation: Toi Wairarapa is supported to 1.5 FTE as recommended in the ACH strategy, or as close to, on a per capita basis.

Meetings with respective Council officers indicate that there are differing views on the value a Review might elicit and whether one is necessary at all. Based on their view that the 2005 strategy is “still sound”, Carterton district council publicly declared its intention not to support the Review and Masterton Council’s draft annual plan sets aside \$10,000 to proceed. Though no strong view is held, this Council allocated \$5,000 to the Review in 2013/14 Financial Year and this amount is held with Toi Wairarapa.

Accordingly, we submit that the Review not proceed and the amount set aside instead is re-directed to Toi Wairarapa’s operations to include a sector-wide survey of the community that will seek feedback from consumers and participants alike, Councils and other key stakeholders.

As background information, the initial talks to undertake the Review started last year but were stopped by the unavailability of the then-Aratoi director, a key stakeholder, and then later by the local elections.

Recommendation: that, the Review be stopped. That, the \$5,000 allocated in 2013/14 FY for the Review, and held with Toi Wairarapa, be redirected to Toi Wairarapa’s annual operating costs to form part of the per capita rate of \$1.50 minimum sought for the 2014/15 FY. As well, that this year’s grant increases from \$7,500 to \$9,292, minimum. A sector wide survey will be undertaken.

Background:

Toi Wairarapa facilitates, supports and advises on region’s arts, culture and heritage activities through advocacy, networks and training services. As a regional organization we are concerned with building skills and opportunities for the enhancement of the community through our work and the delivery of a high-quality workshop programme, open to all ages.

John Gilberthorpe chairs the board of six trustees, each a resident of Wairarapa. The board employs one worker at 24 hours per week.

South Wairarapa District Council



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No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

I support the exciting plan which will preserve and revitalise Martinborough Town Hall and town centre precinct. The draft plan has many many exciting opportunities for our town. Not only does it ensure the preservation of the auditorium of our hall but it gives us a purpose built library and community meeting areas that compliment the existing park, medical centre and museum. the plan creates a community hub that will be envied by other communities.

I also support the construction of a cycleway from Cross Creek to Featherstone as out lined on page15 of the draft Annual plan

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Submission Instructions: Identify the item and page number from the Draft Annual Plan document, state whether you agree or disagree with the proposal, and if you have an alternate suggestion to what has been proposed in the Draft Plan outline the suggestion.

Pg No. Comment

15	<p>I request that the SWDC reinstate the sealing program for Te Muna Road. I include with this submission my previous submission for the 2013/14 Annual Plan as all the points raised are still relevant. In addition no widening of the road has been undertaken and no additional signage has been provided as indicated in a response to my 2013/14 submission and subsequent conversations with council staff.</p> <p>I understand that a list of priority roads has been compiled and these will be the first to be sealed as and when funding is available. I note that Te Muna road is not included on this list. I question the testing criteria used to compile this list. Having spoken to Mr Allingham, councils roading expert, on 5th February 2014 I was surprised and disappointed to hear him say that dust didn't have any health effects, research conducted by the Far North District Health board confirms serious health effects from long-term exposure to fine dust particles. Mr Allingham's opinion on the state of Te Muna roads surface was also at odds with that of residents and users of the road. I also question how traffic numbers are measured considering where and when monitoring equipment is installed. Mr Allingham could not explain what data he was expecting to capture with the last placement of the monitoring equipment half way down the unsealed portion Te Muna road.</p> <p>Te Muna road is not fit for purpose and is dangerous. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with council.</p>
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I would/would not (cross out which does not apply) like to discuss my submission with the Council when it meets to hear and deliberate on formal submissions on 9 and 10 June 2014 (reserve day 10 June 2014), commencing at 9.30am each day.

Please continue over

28 May 2013

South Wairarapa District Council
19 Kitchener Street, Martinborough 5711
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New Zealand

To the Mayor and Councillors'

I am writing with regard to the state of the remaining unsealed portion of Te Muna Road Martinborough along which my vineyard is situated.

I would like to bring to your attention a number of concerns that I have with the condition and safety issues relating to this portion of the road:

Dust

When traveling behind another vehicle visibility is significantly reduced. It is impossible to see turning traffic, oncoming traffic and cyclists until you are only meters away. This is a daily occurrence during the summer months when traffic levels are especially high due to the number of seasonal workers employed at the various vineyards along the road.

The health effects to me from working in such a dusty environment include sinus infections, congestion, eye irritation. Dust masks have not helped. I am concerned about the long term implications this may have to both myself and those I employ.

Road surface

The surface is corrugated and riddled with potholes.

Grading appears infrequent and soon mitigated by the high number of vehicles that use the road.

The road is too narrow to pass oncoming trucks without driving on the grass edges.

Some visitors to Te Muna and seasonal workers have difficulty negotiating the potholes and have skidded off the road when they have drifted into dense gravel washed to the side of the road. I have personally seen this occur and the drivers have been lucky not to collect a power pole as they have come to rest on the grass raised edges of the road.

Te Muna road uses are many and varied and my observation over the past six years is that traffic volumes are ever increasing. I was encouraged to see the council commence a tar sealing

programme in 2010 and even more pleased to hear that this programme would continue each year until sealed to at least Craggy Range vineyard. I would like to communicate my disappointment when this programme ceased at the completion of works past Red Bank and Escarpment vineyards.

The indirect benefits to the Martinborough economy resulting from the income derived and rates paid from the vineyards and farming activities along Te Muna is not insignificant. The best support the council can provide to allow us to grow our businesses and provide a safe working environment for employees is to seal the road.

I therefore request that this letter be considered as a submission to the Draft Annual Plan 2013/2014 and look forward to notification that sealing work will recommence in the very near future.

Yours sincerely

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Subject: Submission re Communication

The Annual Plan has good things but I am concerned that communication of the Martinborough Town Hall project has not been done well.

The three towns need to work better together. What happens in one affects all. I note the strategic goal of the MTH project to attract families to live here. That's a goal for the whole region. The whole region needs to work to it. So Greytown and Featherston are stakeholders in Martinborough's issues, just as vice versa. So a huge project like this also needed input from the others.

What has happened is that it is hard for other residents to find out the details and the rationale for the Martinborough plan. There are parts of the plan that are excellent. But there is parochialism coming out of the woodwork because the merits of this specific plan for the whole region have not been communicated effectively. The concerns about council favouritism, and capture by a local elite, have been fostered and a lot of negativity raised.

A better process is for the councillors, community boards and interest groups to work together over a period to identify how each town can be helped, with a mixture of local and regional resources, to achieve gains locally that contribute regionally to the agreed strategic goal of making the region an attractive place to live. For Featherston it would be imaginative development of the empty space and better utilisation of the main street. For Mboro it is, of course, how to enhance the town hall building and create a community hub – including all options, like demolition and a new build. What seems logical for Mboro people doesn't always work for the others etc. Helping people understand where others are coming from is a huge job, but that's what councils are for.

In Carterton there is a superb community building operation under way, based on local initiative. There will be amalgamation of some kind soon. Carterton is also a stakeholder in Martinborough's project. Has to be. And how good it would be if their project was planned to include the 3 South Wai towns in follow-up, so we can all learn and move forward together.

What we have now is an inter-tribal dog-fight. Doesn't need to be this way.

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I would like to discuss my submission with Council in Person:

No

Draft Annual Plan 2014/15:

We would like to convey our support for the Martinborough Community Centre Project. We recently had the pleasure of hearing a presentation made by the project team and we feel the concept is exactly what our community needs. In it's present state the town hall is outdated and unwelcoming and is rarely used. It occupies a prime location on the town square which, if utilised correctly, would draw more visitors across the Square and create a vibrant hub for community activity. We are in dire need of a new library and plunket rooms therefore the multi use strategy for the project makes clear economic sense. There seems little point in spending any money on earthquake strengthening to a building that is rarely used. We wholeheartedly support the project and we are excited at the enormous potential benefits for the town and the people who live here.

James and Kiri Elworthy

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