

COUNCILLOR REPORT
for
South Wairarapa Council Meeting
10 August 2016

COMMUNITY SAFETY & RESILIENCE WORKING PARTY

Councillor's Name	Julie Riddell
Meeting – Date & Venue	Thursday 28 July 2016 9.30am SWDC Chambers 7 attendees.
Key issues from meeting	Featherston Mens Shed – can they be encouraged to offer some mentoring to the Featherston Youth Groups. This was part of the MOU arrangement SWDC has with the group.
Graffiti/vandalism stats	Trish spoke to the tabled report. It was noted that the graffiti strikes continue to decrease in all three towns – while vandalism has been mainly confined to wheelies in the Featherston Cemetery and the Martinborough Square grassed area. Bollards have been placed in the cemetery to prevent vehicle entry. In July there were 31 strikes on Kiwi Rail property in Featherston. Neighbourhood Support to let people know they need to ring Graffiti/Vandalism into Council/Police and that Cleaning Kits available at the Libraries. Sgt Richie Day commented that the youth leaders have done a great job of keeping kids busy during the holidays and this has made the Police job much easier.
Reports	Police – Sgt Richie Day introduced himself. Retail burglaries are mostly for cigarettes – Police message to retailers is not to sell them. They have more staff out at night. Martinborough Community Patrol – have been successful in obtaining a vehicle. Youth – Alan has managed to keep the youth in Featherston very busy throughout the holidays even with no funding available. They took 10 children to a Youth Camp. Alan and family went to Turangi to participate in PRACTICE – Diploma in Youth Development. On 7 August they are planting Donald's Creek with Reanne's group. Still looking for larger premises – Senior Citizens Hall has been sold. Featherston Mens Shed team not interested in mentoring his youth group. <u>Fiona</u> is working with Alan to start a youth group in Martinborough at the School.

	Neighbourhood Support – Mark is doing the rounds of Community Boards and getting names to start groups in Greytown and Martinborough. Featherston has 138 members now and they are keen to support the Police and Civil Defence as well.
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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 8 September 2016, 9.30am at SWDC Chambers.