

# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

12 MARCH 2014

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## AGENDA ITEM D2

### INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES GROUP REPORT

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#### **Purpose of Report**

To update Councillors on the Infrastructure and Service Group activities.

#### **Recommendations**

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information.*

## **1. Consents**

### **1.1 Wastewater**

The three discharge consent applications (Working Draft Format) for the Council wastewater treatment plants were submitted to Greater Wellington by 31 January 2014 in accordance with the required time frame.

Separately and arising from a meeting with Papawai Residents on 22 January 2014, attended by the Mayor, Councillors and a Council officer were a range of concerns expressed about Council's future intentions for the land now owned by Council between Tilson's Road and Pah Road, adjacent to the Papawai Marae and associated existing housing communities.

Subsequently, residents requested the Regional Council to grant Council additional time for full lodgement of the Greytown Wastewater Discharge consent application. This was to provide time for further pre-consultation with the local community and other interests.

Greater Wellington Regional Council have considered this request and on 4 February 2014 granted Council a three month extension of time. This will not impact overall planned timeframes.

Further consultation will take place with the Papawai Residents and Marae interest group in the near future.

This additional consultation will not impact the planned consent issuance of late November 2014, as the issues can be worked through at the same time as the consent is progressed with GW.

In respect of the Martinborough and Featherston consents, the Council team proposes to prepare the working draft applications to final draft status by

the middle of March for consideration by the Regional Councils Consent processing team.

It is anticipated the Greytown consent application will be finalised and submitted in April once pre- consultation with the Papawai community has been concluded.

### **1.2 Water**

All water take consents are current. Council is advised that a new consent will be required take water from the new bores at Woodside for the Waiohine Water Treatment Plant.

These new bores form part of the improvement programme underway for the Featherston/Greytown water supply upgrade.

### **1.3 Coastal**

Consultation continues to take with place affected parties and nearby landowners as the Site Environmental Management Plan required for the Whatarangi Foreshore protection works is developed for regulatory approval.

### **1.4 Gravel Pit Extraction and Other**

Awaiting DoC feedback for the Otakaha Stream mouth extraction rights (new site) so that consent renewal processes can resume.

Separate consent is required for a one off proposal gravel take in the Awhea Catchment. This take is necessary to provide an affordable source of road construction material for proposed road improvement works at Fullers Bridge.

### **1.5 Water Supply Capital Improvements**

The new production bore at Woodside required for the water supply upgrade has been drilled. Testing, development and yield confirmation is expected to be completed by the end of March 2014.

Following that detailed design for the borehead and transmission pipeline works will get under way.

## **2. Operations Utility Assets and Services**

### **2.1 Wastewater Treatment Plants**

Greytown, Martinborough and Featherston Wastewater treatment plants operated routinely over the period. Normal monitoring for flow and compliance reporting continued throughout the period.

### **2.2 Wastewater Reticulation**

There were four reported pipeline blockages during the period.

### **2.3 Water Treatment Plants**

Martinborough and the Featherston/Greytown Water Treatment Plants operated routinely throughout the period.

River levels have been monitored as trending information shows that the levels have come close to the trigger points, although the levels have remained above the trigger points, and no water restrictions have been imposed.

Community water usage and rainfall records and trending is attached for Council's information in Appendix 1.

### **2.4 Water Reticulation**

There were 26 water reticulation repairs reported and rectified during the period.

There was a transgression for E Coli at the Pirinoa water treatment supply that was reported to the Drinking Water Assessor and followed up, as per the Drinking Water Standards. The transgression indicated low-level contamination that was potentially related to the high rainfall in the previous days. The three follow-up samples were taken and were all clear, this indicated that it was a one-off event. A sanitary survey was completed by CCL and showed that the treatment plant was operating normally and there was nothing out of the ordinary. The school was notified on the transgression and all follow up actions were undertaken under the direction of the Drinking Water Assessor.

### **2.5 Water Races**

The routine monthly inspections and blockage clearing of the water race network has been performed by City Care Ltd to maintain satisfactory flows. There were eight reported accounts and requests for blockage clearing and cleaning for the Moroa and Longwood network over the period. Notices to land owners where required for water race cleaning have been sent out.

### **2.6 Waste Management**

There has been on-going complaints regarding refuse and recycling collection specifically in Featherston and Martinborough, this will be addressed at the next Waste Minimisation Monthly Contract Meeting held 10 March 2014.

The waste minimisation officer will consult with the community looking at alternative location options available for recycling out at Tukurumuri.

Waste export and recycling tonnage data for the period is attached in Appendix 2.

### **2.7 E-Waste Collection District Wide**

The contractor advises that the free TV take back scheme continues to be successful and that there has only been minimal focus on other e-waste items.

Once the TV take-back scheme is concluded possible as early as the end of this month Council might like to consider what level of subsidy it can offer to encourage the separation of e -waste componentry from the residual waste stream.

Officer will prepare some reporting around this in the future.

### **3. Roding and Reserves**

#### **3.1 Roding Maintenance – Oldfield Asphalts**

Inspections have taken place on several unsealed roads and road maintenance methods will be discussed with the contractor. While unsealed roads should be treated and driven on as such there are areas that can be improved via changes in methodology and frequency's.

#### **3.2 Road remarking's**

The Contractors have just completed the annual road remarking programme region wide, which included centre lines, giveaway and stop signs, pedestrian crossings and bus stops. New markings were also completed such as carparks at Kuranui College and on Ohio Street.

#### **3.3 Tenders for Contracts**

Tenders are now open for both the Bridge Maintenance contract and the Road Maintenance contract; closing dates are 11 March and 31 March respectively. The Road Maintenance contract has been done in conjunction with both Carterton and Masterton District Council, with all three contract's tenders closing and being awarded on the same days.

This contract is still to be let as 3 separate contracts without alternates being considered. Discussions need to take place at the earliest convenience should this wish to be revisited

### **4. Amenities**

#### **4.1 Graffiti**

**Table 1 – Graffiti strikes January 2014**

<b>Town</b>	<b>Strikes on SWDC property</b>	<b>Strikes – other property</b>	<b>Total strikes</b>	<b>Location</b>
Featherston	6	4	10	Lamp post opposite playground, Cross creek railway station, Otarua Reserve
Greytown	0	0	0	
Martinborough	9		9	Corner of Malcolm and Jellicoe Street on the street

				sign and side walk
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**Table 2 – Graffiti strikes February 2014**

Town	Strikes on SWDC property	Strikes – other property	Total strikes	Location
Featherston	3		3	Cherry tree park, Garden of Remembrance,
Greytown	1	1	1	Greytown town centre, Woodside railway station
Martinborough	0	0	0	

**Table 3 – Graffiti strikes March 2013 – February 2014**

Town	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	TOTAL
Featherston	23	87	101	0	5	1	1	50	44	12	10	3	337
Greytown	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	4
Martinborough	0	0	13	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	9	0	27
TOTAL	24	87	114	1	5	1	4	53	44	12	19	4	368

#### 4.2 Non-graffiti vandalism

**Table 4 – Vandalism strikes – January 2014**

Town	Strikes on SWDC property	Location
Featherston	14	9 x public toilets, 2 x playground, 2 x Anzac Hall windows, Information Centre fence
Greytown	2	2 x Arbour Reserve toilet
Martinborough	3	Blister gardens, street bin lids ripped off

**Table 5 – Vandalism strikes – February 2014**

Town	Strikes on SWDC property	Location
Featherston	9	2 x Library back fence, Library courtyard fence, Library shed, Anzac Hall- windows, 2 x swimming pool fence, Dorset Square fence, Info Centre windows
Greytown	0	
Martinborough	0	

### **4.3 Playgrounds**

Two pieces of equipment are currently out of action at Martinborough playground. The rotating platform is beyond repair and requires replacement. The large slide is under repair, but is technically non-compliant with current standards and should be replaced.

### **4.4 Sports fields and facilities**

The timetable and process for transitioning Soldiers' Memorial Park from cricket to football has been agreed with City Care and the sporting bodies. The agreement enables a final fundraising cricket match to be held on the park on 5 April.

### **4.5 Pensioner housing**

One new resident moved into the Cicely Martin Flats in Martinborough in January. There are currently no vacancies at any of the flats. There are 7 people on the waitlist for Martinborough, 5 for Westhaven and 10 for Featherston.

A review of the exteriors and grounds of the flats has been carried out by officers and City Care.

#### **4.5.1 Burling flats, Featherston**

General maintenance has been carried out, with the hedges being trimmed and some gardens directly outside the flats being removed. Soil is being dug out to get the garden level lower as the soil has been touching the wood of the buildings which causes rot. The beds are currently being prepared for winter planting. The entrance to the Burling Flats has been tidied up and a new 'Burling Flats' entrance sign erected. The broken concrete picnic table now has a new wooden top.

#### **4.5.2 Westhaven flats, Greytown**

General maintenance and grounds tidying has also begun at Westhaven, with the bushes at the southern end of flats being trimmed, tidied and raised. A new picnic table has also been installed in the park area, built by the members of the Greytown Menz Shed. Planting on the road frontage garden of the flats where the pencil cypress trees were removed will be carried out late autumn to winter.

General maintenance and grounds maintenance works will be completed at Matthews and Cicely Martin Flats in the coming months.

### **4.6 Parks and Reserves**

#### **4.6.1 Featherston**

Remedial works to the "Windgrass" sculpture were carried out by the artist, Kon Dimopoulos, assisted by City Care staff. All rods have now been replaced.

## **4.7 Toilets**

### **4.7.1 South coast**

Planning is underway for a replacement to the current "long-drop" toilet at the Ngawi surf break.

## **4.8 Properties**

### **4.8.1 Featherston**

The carpet in the Featherston Information Centre has now been completely replaced. The carpet had become loose and baggy as a result of rising damp from undrained stormwater beneath the building. A new stormwater system has been put in.

## **4.9 Cemeteries**

### **4.9.1 Featherston**

There was one burial and one ashes interment in February. Work will start shortly on the construction of the third ashes wall.

### **4.9.2 Greytown**

There was one burial in January and one ashes interment in February. Planning has begun for the installation of the first in-ground ashes beam at Greytown Cemetery.

### **4.9.3 Martinborough**

There was one burial and one ashes interment in January and one burial in February. The services (RSA) ashes wall is showing some cracking, assumed to be from the 21 January Eketahuna earthquake. Planned repair work will involve partial disassembly of the wall to insert reinforcing. This work will not affect any of the occupied niches.

## **4.10 Swimming Pools**

This season is still on track to finish on 16 March 2014. School classroom swimming sessions are operational daily at all three pools as well as special events such as the Featherston Community Relay, various school swimming sports and cluster swims. Featherston and Greytown pools also have regular evening use by Featherston and Greytown swimming clubs. January statistics are provided in table 6 below.

**Table 6 – Public opening hours - swimmer numbers for all pools January 2014**

	Greytown	Featherston	Martinborough
January swimmer numbers	1388	601	1240
Concessions as %age of total swimmers	30%	31%	26%
Peak day	15/01/2014 : 172	20/01/2014 : 68	19/01/2014 & 25/01/2014 : 117
Number of unattended days	1	2	1

#### **4.10.1 Wellington Anniversary Day Free Swims**

Greytown and Featherston Pools both hosted very successful free swim days on Wellington Anniversary day, 20 January 2014. Featherston and Greytown Community Boards sponsored these for their respective pools. Featherston Pool had its highest swimmer numbers for the month that day, with 68 swimmers. Greytown pool hosted 88 swimmers which was the fifth highest swimmer number for the month.

#### **4.10.2 Sponsorship of 10-swim tickets**

Featherston Community Board sponsored 30 child 10-swim tickets and Martinborough community board 20, to be given out to local families who might not otherwise be able to afford regular swimming. The tickets were passed on to Child Youth and Family as well as the Safer Communities Council to distribute. Due to privacy requirements, no attempt was made to monitor the uptake and usage of the tickets. However CYF staff said they thought the idea was extra special and very kind giving at Christmas/school holidays and would be greatly received.

#### **4.10.3 Family Swim Nights**

The three pools also hosted free family swim nights thanks to sponsors Earthcare Environmental, City Care and CLM (SWDC pools contractor). The swim nights had a reasonable turn out given that the weather was less than ideal.

#### **4.10.4 Compliments**

There was great feedback received from a parent attending the South Wairarapa Interschool swimming for regional primary schools. During the event one of the children dived into the pool and appeared to lose his goggles. He put his hand up in the air and appeared pretty distressed. The lifeguard on duty reacted very quickly and dived into the pool to assist the child. The parent commented that it was a superb display of reacting to what might have been a real problem, and most parents there were very impressed with the lifeguard.

#### **4.10.5 Martinborough Inflatable Slide**

The new inflatable slide at Martinborough Pool has been operational now since mid-January and is proving very popular with children of all ages. The slide also received a great write up in the *Wairarapa Times-Age*. The slide takes two people to inflate it and two lifeguards must be on-site when it is operational, one to monitor the slide and one the rest of the pool. Although the slide is intended to be available every day, there are days where it cannot be inflated due to staff absences.





## **4.11 Events**

### **4.11.1 Featherston**

Annual Commemorative Wreath Laying service at Featherston's Garden of Remembrance, to mark the 71<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Featherston Incident.

### **4.11.2 Martinborough**

February saw the first Martinborough Fair for the year. City Care staff worked extra hard in the week leading up to the Fair to ensure Martinborough was looking great. Their extra efforts were rewarded with a number of compliments saying how great the Square was looking and that the annual beds were looking better than ever.

## **5. Libraries**

### ***Statistics all Libraries***

See Appendix 3 for issues and transactions statistics.

## 6. Department Service Performance Indicators

The following table outlines progress year to date in relation to the service performance measures set in the Annual and Long Term Plan.

<b>Emergency Management</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Ratepayers and residents prepared for an emergency	65%	74%	
Regional Civil Defence Emergency Plan developed and implemented	<i>Implemented</i>	<i>Work continues with WREMO to complete this suite of plans</i>	
<b>Roading</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Using the RAMM measurement system, average smooth travel exposure on urban roads to be 85% and rural roads 95% with maximum variation of 5%	95%		
Ratepayers and residents fairly/very satisfied with the roads	82%	75%	
(20km ± 10% variation) sealed roads are resealed each year subject to availability of NZTA subsidy	100%		
The pavement condition index as measured by the NZTA pavement integrity index	95%		
The number of crashes causing injuries is reduced	Group and control average		
Ratepayers and residents are satisfied with footpaths in the district	70%	66%, 5% don't know	
Availability of footpaths on at least one side of the road down the whole street	90%		
<b>Water</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Compliance with resource consent conditions/water permit conditions to "mainly complying" or better	95%	<i>Annual result</i>	
Water supply systems comply with Ministry of Health Bacteriological Drinking Water Standards guidelines 2000**	95%		
Ratepayers and residents satisfied with level of service for water	75%	73%, 22% don't know	
Urgent (dirty, cloudy, smelly, or bad tasting water or no water at all) requests for service responded to within 1 day	95%		
Fire hydrants tested annually that meet NZ Fire Service Code of Practice	100%		

<b>Solid Waste</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Number of communities with recycling centres	6	6	
Volume of waste disposed out of district	Decreasing by 2.5%		
% of ratepayers and residents satisfied with the level of service	90%	Recycling 77%, 14% don't know Refuse 73%, 23% don't know	
<b>Wastewater</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
Number of blockages per 1000 connections	10		
Ratepayers and residents satisfaction with waste water services	70%	58%, 38% don't know	
% of resource consent conditions complied with to mainly complying or better**	90%	Annual Result	
Proportion of urgent waste water service requests responded to within 6 hours of notification	95%		
<b>Stormwater</b>	<i>2013/14 Target</i>	<i>2013/14 Result</i>	<i>Comment</i>
% of ratepayers and residents satisfied with stormwater drains	50%	54%, 18% don't know	
% of urgent (any blockage causing extensive flooding of buildings or other serious flooding) requests for service responded to within 5 hours	90%		

## **7. Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Monthly Water Usage

Appendix 2 - Waste Exported to Bonny Glen

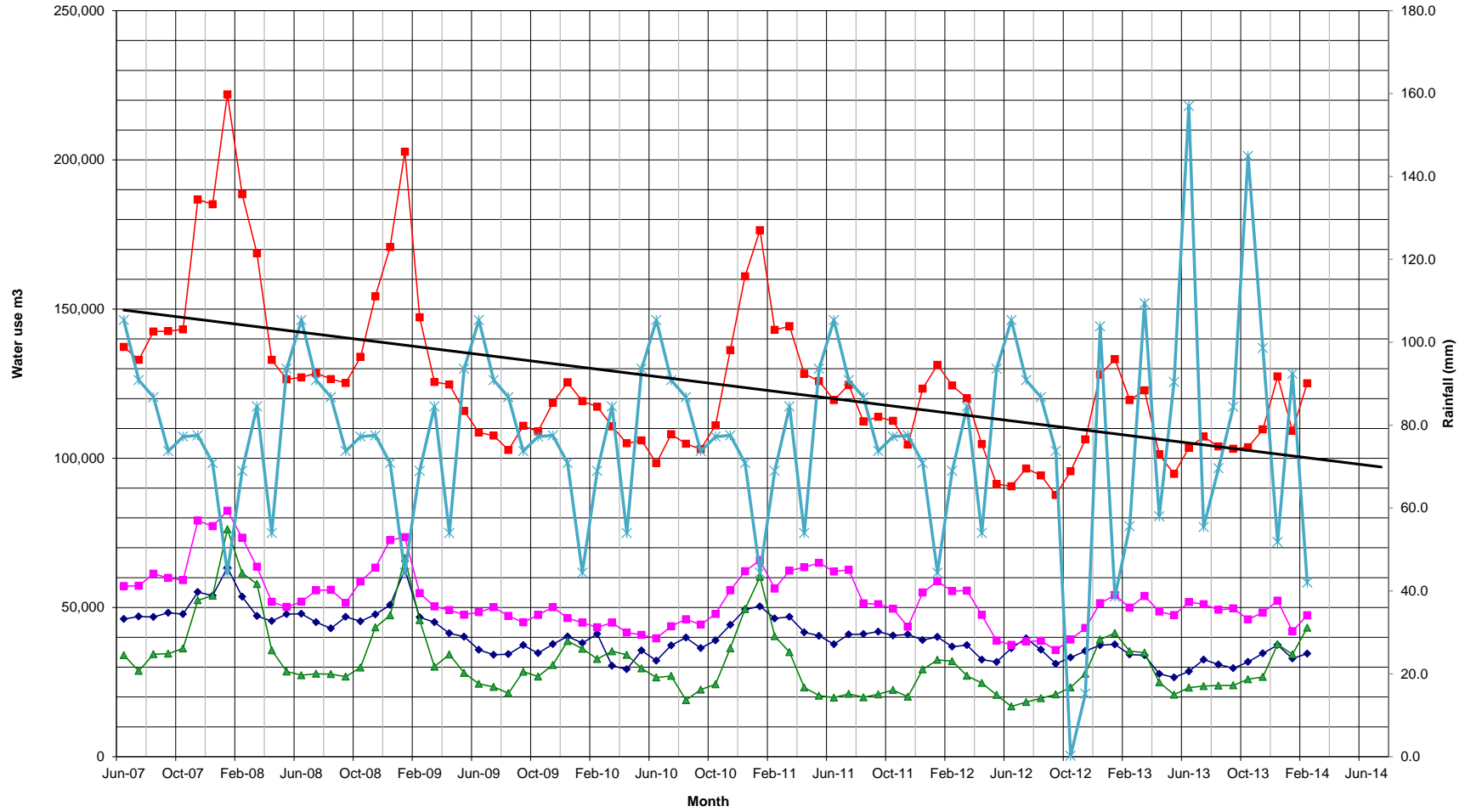
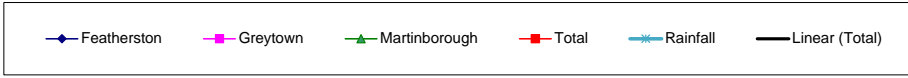
Appendix 3 - Library Statistics

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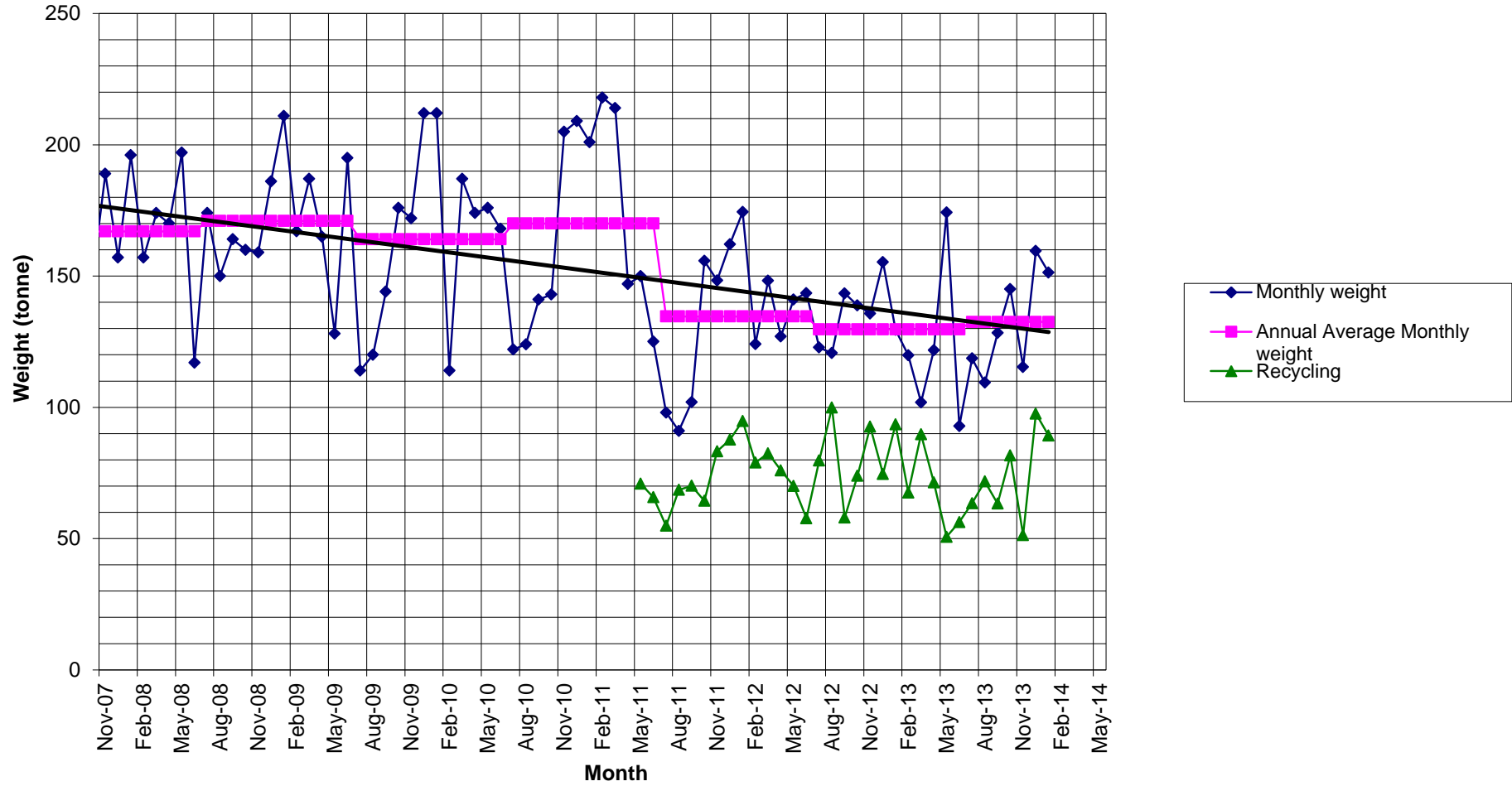
# **Appendix 1 – Monthly Water Usage**

### Water use South Wairarapa District Council



**Appendix 2 – Waste  
Exported to Bonny Glenn  
Including Recycling**

Monthly weight of waste transferred from Martinborough transfer station to Bonny Glen





# **Appendix 3 – Statistics all Libraries**

### Issues to January 2014

