

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

20 FEBRUARY 2019

AGENDA ITEM D2

INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES REPORT

Purpose of report

To update councillors on the Infrastructure and Services Group activities.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the Infrastructure and Services Report.*

1. Group Manager highlights

Over the holiday period there had been incidence of road closures due to weather and large volumes of solid waste to remove. These added loads and works were dealt with well by our contractors. The Solid waste contractor had to carry out exit trips to get the last of the rubbish at White Rock not picked up due to the volumes.

Likewise at Ngawi there was a lot of domestic refuse in with the tourist bins and this will need to be looked at in the future as to how this is dealt with over the long term and next year.

The department is now at full staffing with Bryce Neems appointed as the Amenities Manager and Tracy Gardner as the Project Officer.

Work continues on the possible move to a new location for the department across the road at the old ISite building. The department has had some time to look at the layout and requirements for the staff. This is seen as an excellent option to be able to locate all the staff in the same location with room should there be the need.

The Waihinga Centre is open and we are working through a few of the teething issues of a new building and the mixed use of a communal space. There is favourable comment regarding the hub and the facilities co-located at the same place.

1.1 Wairarapa Road Maintenance contract

The current roading contracts across the three Councils were let as standardised contracts where discounts were given for the Councils with all three contracts awarded to the same contractor. Before going to the market this year, the Councils investigated what factors might increase market interest in tendering for the contracts e.g. bundling options, inclusion of reseal programme, contract tenure. A better understanding of how these factors might influence interest and competition at the tender box has informed us in establishing the right procurement approach. Information on other local road maintenance contracts from across the region also assisted the Wairarapa Councils in making comparisons between their road contract and those of other Councils in the region.

The Wairarapa Road Maintenance contract has been finalised with two contracts going to market, a Masterton District Council Contract and a joint Carterton-South Wairarapa District Council contract. A Market Analysis was completed and the Procurement Strategy has been developed with both contracts to open and close on the same days.

The Contract document for CDC/SWDC is being reviewed at present to be advertised at the end of February. A Multi-party funding agreement (MPFA) between Carterton District Council and South Wairarapa District Council in respect of Road Network Maintenance has also been developed.



Figure 1 Current road maintenance contract details across Wellington Councils

1.2 Shared services

In conjunction with the joint roading contract SWDC also shares services in Libraries with Carterton District Council and solid waste across all three councils.

There is also a current investigation into the joining of Wellington Water.

These collaborative arrangements are to enable better services to be able to be supplied where the economies of scale or specialist knowledge and skills required above what can be supplied alone.

1.3 Open Spaces 17a Review

We have started the Section 17A Review of the Parks and Reserves services. This will look at how the service can be delivered in the future with the contract expiring on the 1 October 2019. The options of contracting, internal, shared service and hybrids will be reviewed similar to that above for transport.

2. Land transport

SERVICE LEVEL – Roads are maintained to ensure they are safe and comfortable to travel on. Footpaths can be safely used to get around town.

2.1 Key Performance Indicators

LAND TRANSPORT KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	TARGET 2017/18	COMPLAINTS		INCIDENTS	
		APRIL	YTD	APRIL	YTD
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	80%			NRB Survey:	73%
5% of 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				
The number of fatalities and serious injury crashes on the local road network	<7				
Ratepayers and residents are satisfied with footpaths in the district	70%			NRB Survey:	63%
Availability of footpaths on at least one side of the road down the whole street	88%				
Footpath Condition rating 95% compliant with SWDC AMP Standard	95%				
The % of customer service requests relating to roads and footpaths responded to within 48 hours	95%	36/39 (92%)	115/154 (75%)	39	154
Meet annual plan footpath targets	Yes				

2.2 Roading Maintenance – Fulton Hogan

Work have commenced on Hinekura Road to reinstate the damage caused by the rain event in July 2018. Works are expected to take 4 weeks. School Zone 40kmph signs were erected outside the Pirinoa School prior to the School Holidays ending.

Sealed road dig outs have commenced on White Rock Road. Works have carried on with regard to the reinstatement of the flood damage around Featherston, and also works were carried out to assist affected property owners.

119.8km of unsealed roads graded in January. The upcoming dry conditions means the grading will be reduced.

Greytown, Featherston and Martinborough had various kerb and channel swept as part of the monthly cycle.

2.3 Other activities

Higgins Contactors have commenced on the seal extension and sealed pavement rehabilitation on Western Lake Road. Western Lake Road Rehabilitation section and will be completed in early February 2019.

Higgins Contractors have completed the annual reseals. The target of 20km was not met due to Bitumen price increase impacted on the budget. Geotechnical consultants have investigated both the Glue Pot on Te Awaiti Road and Johnsons Hill and Cape Palliser Road, in relation to stability, a report has been received along with sketch plans and a Schedule of works required. This will be priced by contractors with work on the Glue Pot due to start early March.

Initial ground testing has been completed on the Tora Farm Settlement Road Bridge in advance of pier replacement. A joint bridge contract will be let with Carterton District Council for major bridge works.

Mangatoetoe Bridge works on Cape Palliser Road have been assessed and the damage caused in a rain event in early December will be rectified.

3. Amenities

The Amenities team is responsible for the management of Council's parks, reserves and other amenities. The team looks after 12 parks, 31 reserves, 41 buildings, five sports facilities, four cemeteries, eleven public toilets and 22 other properties. The Amenities Manager is the contract manager for the City Care parks and reserves contract, and is also responsible for the management of the libraries.

SERVICE LEVEL – Parks and reserves enhance the quality of life in our communities. Our playgrounds are safe and enjoyed by the community. Clean safe public swimming pools can be accessed in the District. Provision of some low cost housing for the elderly (or in line with Council policy) in each town. Well maintained hall facilities that are available for the public to book. Public toilets are convenient, clean and safe. There is a wide range of library stock including up to date material.

3.1 Cemeteries

A new ashes wall for Martinborough will be erected in the New Year.



Martinborough Cemetery – Ashes Wall 6 – 33 Niches Completed



3.1.1. Purchases of burial plots/niches 4 December 2018 to 13 February 2019

	Greytown	Featherston	Martinborough
Niche	2	1	0
In-ground ashes Beam	0	0	0
Burial plot	2	2	0
Total	4	3	0

3.1.2. Ashes interments/burials 4 December 2018 13 February 2019

	Greytown	Featherston	Martinborough
Burial	0	1	1
Ashes in-ground	2	0	1
Ashes wall	2	0	0
Total	4	1	2

3.2 Events

3.2.1. Featherston

Completed events:

Featherston Market –held every fourth Saturday: 22 December 2018 & 26 January 2019

Featherston First Fridays – held 7 December 2018, 4 January and 1 February 2019

Featherston Christmas Parade – held Saturday, 8 December 2018

Community Carols – held Sunday, 23 December 2018

Mysteries of the Moana – held Sunday, 10 February 2019

Future events:

Featherston Market – being held every fourth Saturday: 23 February and 23 March 2019

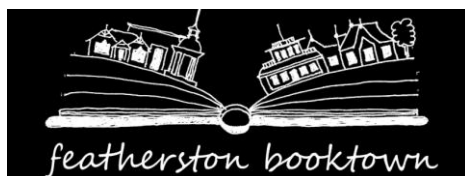
Cross Creek Railways – Summer Miniature Train Rides – being held Friday nights, Saturday and Sunday September 2018 through to April 2019

Featherston Junior Triathlon – being held Saturday, 23 February 2019

Pepe Ora Expo – being held Saturday, 9 March 2019

Featherston First Fridays being held 1 March 2019

Featherston Booktown – being held 9 – 12 May 2019



3.2.2. Greytown

Completed events:

The Greytown Country Market – held 23 December 2018, 20 January 2019

The Greytown Christmas Parade – held Saturday, 15 December 2018

Future events:

The Greytown Woodside Rail Trail Fun Run -

The Greytown Country Market – being held 17 February and 17 March 2019



Wairarapa Balloon Festival – being held 20 April 2019



New Zealand House & Garden Wairarapa Tour – being held 22 March 2019

3.2.3. Martinborough

Completed events:

Christmas Magic in Martinborough – held Saturday, 8 December 2018

Martinborough Christmas Parade –held Saturday, 8 December 2018



Cruise Martinborough 2019 – held Saturday, 26 January 2019

Martinborough Fair – held Saturday, 2 February 2019

Future events:

Round the Vines – Fun Walk & Run – being held Saturday, 16 March 2019

Ngawi Big 3 Fishing Competition – being held Thursday 14 February to Sunday, 17 February 2019

Martinborough Fair – being held Saturday, 2 March 2019

Wairarapa Balloon Festival – being held Sunday, 21 April 2019

