

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

2 SEPTEMBER 2020

AGENDA ITEM D1

COMMUNITY WELLBEING – UPDATE REPORT

Purpose of Report

To inform Councillors of the progress on a community wellbeing and development strategy

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the Community Wellbeing - Update Report.*

1. Executive Summary

Earlier in the year SWDC and Carterton District Council (CDC) agreed to progress a community development approach as a shared service. The discovery phase of this work in South Wairarapa has progressed and this Report (at Appendix 1) provides Council with an update on progress and next steps.

2. Discussion

With the impact of COVID-19 and ongoing challenges in our community, a clear understanding of the community development and community-led development work across the District will be essential for SWDC to support our residents in the future. This update will also help inform Council decisions on future strategy development.

3. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Community Wellbeing – Update Report

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Appendix 1 – Community Wellbeing – Update Report

South Wairarapa Community Development



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To start with it is always helpful to identify what Community Development is not:



So, what is Community Development?

Community Development

Relationships, shared experiences and working together to create a sense of belonging.

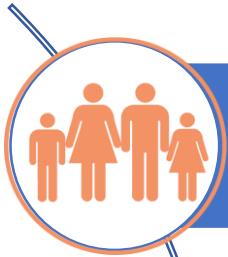
Community Led Development (CLD)

Fostering communities to thrive, be strong and resilient.

CLD in Local Government

Communities need to own the change and lead where possible. Local body enablers are there to support, connect, advise, guide, resource, inform and leverage.

The Wellbeings



Social - Involves individuals, their families, whanau, hapu, iwi, and a range of communities being able to set goals and achieve them, such as education, health, the strength of community networks, financial and personal security, equity of opportunity, and rights and freedoms.



Economic - Looks at whether the economy can generate the employment and wealth necessary to provide many of the requirements that make for social well-being, such as health, financial security, and equity of opportunity. Environmental



Environmental - Considers whether the natural environment can sustainably support the activities that constitute healthy community life, such as air quality, fresh water, uncontaminated land, and control of pollution.



Cultural - Looks at the shared beliefs, values, customs, behaviours and identities reflected through language, stories, visual and performing arts, ceremonies and heritage that make up our communities.

Snapshot of South Wairarapa Community groups

GREY TOWN TRUST LANDS
Growing the Community since 1877

GREY TOWN TRAILS TRUST
EST. 2010

GREY TOWN POPULATION: 2,420
*June 2019

GREY TOWN MENZ SHED

GREY TOWN SCHOOL

KURANUI COLLEGE

GREY TOWN VILLAGE.COM

GREY TOWN COMMUNITY BOARD

GREY TOWN HERITAGE TRUST

GREY TOWN SPORT AND LEISURE SOCIETY

GREY TOWN TRUST LANDS

Friends of O'Connor's Bush

Friends of Stella Bull Bush

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Sports Clubs

LIONS INTERNATIONAL

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MARTINBOROUGH WINE VILLAGE
Shop Local • Stay Local • Love Local

MARTINBOROUGH SCHOOL

MARTINBOROUGH COMMUNITY BOARD

MARTINBOROUGH DARK SKY SOCIETY

MARTINBOROUGH BREAKFAST CLUB & SCHOLARSHIP

1680 RESIDENTS
*June 2018

MARTINBOROUGH HOMEMARK CLUB

MARTINBOROUGH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

MARTINBOROUGH FOODBANK & WAI WASTE

WAIHINGA COMMUNITY CENTRE

FEATHERSTON BOOKTOWN

FEATHERSTON'S OWN CHARITABLE TRUST

FEATHERSTON BEAUTIFICATION GROUP

WAIKARAPĀ MOANA TRAIL GROUP

WAIKARAPĀ WHANAU TRUST

WAIKARAPĀ WHANAU TRUST

WAIKARAPĀ COMMUNITY BOARD

WAIKARAPĀ RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

WAIKARAPĀ COMMUNITY PATROLS CPNZ NEW ZEALAND

WAIKARAPĀ NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT NEW ZEALAND

WAIKARAPĀ BOOKTOWN TRUST

WAIKARAPĀ FRIDAY NIGHT CLUB

WAIKARAPĀ MULTIPLE FEATHERSTON SPORTS CLUBS

WAIKARAPĀ SCHOOLS: FEATHERSTON ST TERESA'S SOUTH FEATHERSTON

WAIKARAPĀ 2 EARLY LEARNING CENTERS

WAIKARAPĀ PAE TŪ MŌKAI O TAUIRA

WAIKARAPĀ SOUTH WAIRARAPA FOODBANK COLLECTIVE

WAIKARAPĀ CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

WAIKARAPĀ SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL
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What the Community is saying about SWDC?

We have no links into the council, but we are reliant on the Community Board to relay message. This often doesn't happen and is frustrating.

Often try to reach out but don't have much luck.

SWDC support is good at the moment but it depends on the person in the role at the time.

Council has lack of understanding about what we are trying to achieve.

Consultation processes are confusing and not clear – this makes it hard for us to know what we are consulting on.

Its frustrating when they don't understand what we are trying to achieve will benefit the community.

Would like clarity on the structure of Community Boards, people know who is in it, but there is no action.

There is a lack of communication, connection and understanding.

Feel somewhat supported by SWDC however this is with a particular person.

Strengthen Community Boards to become efficient and purposeful conduit between council and community.

Strengthen connection with Māori and iwi

Support Community Led projects and initiatives.

Develop Community Plans

Strengthen and grow Neighbourhood Support

Foster and maintain relationships with all stakeholders in community development

Gaps



Opportunities

Support vulnerable communities to reach potential

Facilitate connections across the community

Celebrate diversity

Support community events/activities (CLD)

Empower the community to identify and achieve aspirations

Support community ability to actively engage in council making decisions

Identify and remove barriers to access and/or participation in council related activities, services, infrastructure, processes and information.

Where to from here....

- Community Development role, continues to complete scoping exercise with community.
- Develop a 5-year community development plan
- Work with Community and Community Boards and community to develop Community Led town plans.

Suggestions for Long Term Plan:

- Incorporate wellbeings into LTP
- Develop a Community Grants funding strategy
- Partnerships with Services and organisations.

