

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

5 APRIL 2017

AGENDA ITEM E1

REPORT FROM HER WORSHIP THE MAYOR

Purpose of Report

To update Council on activities and issues which have arisen since my last report to Council.

Recommendations

Her Worship the Mayor recommends that Council:

1. *Receives the information.*
2. *Makes a submission to the Local Government Draft Proposal for the Wairarapa District Council.*
3. *Agree that the Mayor and councillor/s should attend the 2017 Local Government NZ Conference.*

1. Local Government Commission Draft Proposal for Wairarapa District Council

The Local Government Commission released its Draft Proposal for Wairarapa District Council on 15 March 2017. The LGC is seeking submissions from the community.

SWDC has provided input from both a council and officer level into the proposal. It is important that we debate the proposal and give feedback to the LGC by way of a submission.

2. Tuia Programme

I have become a mentor under the Tuia Programme. The following is an excerpt from the programme guide. Matiu Te Maari has been selected to be my rangatahi for the year. Matiu is from Pirinoa and works with youth. He is keen to work with local youth (possibly at Martinborough School) and conservation, environmental projects.

I have invited Matiu to attend the Citizenship ceremony tomorrow night. He is currently working over the hill until later in April. I will invite him to attend a Council meeting and Community Board Meetings when he has more time. Matiu attended the Last Maori Standing Committee meeting.

How The Programme Works

- Mayors develop a 'one-to-one' mentoring relationship with a rangatahi in their community over a twelve month period (minimum).
- Both parties commit to meet at least once a month to share ideas, engage in local issues and develop a relationship based on trust and respect.
- The Mayor provides opportunities to explore local government and civic leadership (via events/hui and informal training).
- The rangatahi provides opportunities for the Mayor to better understand their world view as a young Maori- growing up in their whanau, hapū, iwi and wider community
- The rangatahi attend 5 wananga during the year..
- In each community, the rangatahi must also engage and/or develop a 'community service' project to pass on the learnings and take action.
- Building good networks between the rangatahi themselves is paramount. Graduates of the programme provide 'Peer support' and ongoing development opportunities with four years of participants (100+) coming together at the wānanga and social media.
- Leadership development is rangatahi driven and sustainable, with governance and support provided by the TUIA Charitable Trust and Mayors.

Selected rangatahi are expected to undertake and record a 100hr community service project in their respective communities. This will provide the young person an opportunity to share their experiences, practice new strategies and demonstrate leadership.

3. Local Government NZ (LGNZ) Conference

This year LGNZ's annual conference and EXCELLENCE Awards will be held in Auckland from 23-25 July 2017. The 2017 conference theme is **Creating pathways to 2050: liveable spaces and loveable places** with a future focus on infrastructure, place making and community engagement.

Approximately 550-600 delegates are expected to attend, such as mayors, chairs, chief executives, councillors and senior management from New Zealand's councils, along with key players from the private sector, business, government and nongovernment agencies.

Council normally pays for the Mayor and one councillor to attend the conference. As we have a number of new councillors I am seeking input on whether additional councillors should be given the opportunity to attend the conference.

4. Messines - 100th Anniversary of Battle of Messines

I have met with members of the Featherston RSA, ANZAC Club and The ANZAC Sculpture Trust. SWDC will organise a wreath laying service on 7 June 2017 which marks the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Messines. Featherston will mark the anniversary with a commemorative weekend 10-11 June 2017. A small working group is drawing up a programme.

A quilting group who have members from Featherston are designing and making a quilt to commemorate the anniversary which will hang in the ANZAC Hall. A smaller quilt may be made to give to Messines from the people of Featherston.

5. Zone 4

Name	Zone 4
Meeting – Date & Venue	8 March 2017 Te Rauprahau Stadium Porirua
Key issues from meeting	LGNZ up date by Wayne Guppy and Malcolm Alexander which included the 2017-2019 Business Plan and an update on policy priorities and major projects Mayors Taskforce for Jobs – update Regional Resilience – What impacts would a large scale event have in Wellington Region? Resilience starts at home and business. Have supplies of food, water etc for 7 days.
Specific item/s for Council consideration	None
General	Slides on presentations are available through Zone 4

6. Wellington Water Forum

Name	Wellington Water Forum
Meeting – Date & Venue	9 March 2017 Dowse Gallery Lower Hutt
Key issues from meeting	Role of Wellington Water Address from Anne Tolley Minister of Local Government Development of the Wellington Water Model and the way forward including the findings of the Three Waters in the Wellington Region report.
Speakers	Anne Tolley Minister of Local Government.
Specific item/s for Council consideration	None.
General	Anne Tolley is very excited to be the Minister of Local Government and is wanting to build a positive working relationship between Central and Local Government Wellington Water has made significant progress in the last year.

7. Combined Council Meeting

Meeting – Date & Venue	Combined Council Meeting 14 March 2017 Carterton Events Centre Carterton
Present	SWDC, Carterton, Masterton and GWRC Councillors and CEO's Local Government Commission
Key issues from meeting	Local Government Commission Draft Proposal for the Wairarapa – proposal released. Full report available on LGC website, SWDC website and in Libraries throughout the Wairarapa. Predator Free 2050- Government campaign to eradicate possums, rats and stoats from New Zealand Work locally on the Pukaha to Palliser project Cat Strategy – Wellington City Council has adopted a Cat Strategy and bylaws that enable cats to be neutered and microchipped. Fire and Emergency NZ – the meeting was updated about the new FENZ organization which will start on 1 July 2017 Power Co – an information sharing presentation

8. Rural and Provincial Meeting

Meeting – Date & Venue	Rural and Provincial Meeting 16/17 March 2017 Mac’s Function Centre Wellington
Present	Rural and Provincial Sector Councils
Key issues from meeting	Resilience was the key theme. Session topics were; Clean Water- Hon Dr Nick Smith LGNZ Update and LG Excellence Programme Office of the Ombudsman – Freedom of information – what this means for local government Tourism – Non Nicky Wagner Tourism – Infrastructure to support tourism and DOC working with LG Local Government Minister Hon Anne Tolley Risk and resilience – Earthquake buildings regulations and experiences from the recent Kaikoura- Mayor Justine Lester Insurance markets and insuring high risk areas Minister of Finance- Hon Steven Joyce Transport- GPS, NLTP, Road Safety Outcomes Regional Sector Updates, NPS Freshwater Management Office of the Auditor General – Water will be looked at in 2017 Audits Ministry for Culture and Heritage
	Presentations are available through LGNZ

9. Regional Transport Committee

Meeting – Date & Venue	Regional Transport Committee 28 March 2017 Westpac Stadium
Present	Wellington Region Councils, NZTA
Key issues from meeting	Updates on; Lets Get Wellington Moving NZTA update on major projects MoT presentation on Draft GPS on Land Transport RTC Submission on Draft GPS on Land Transport
	RTC Submission to GPS has been circulated.

10. Wellington Regional Strategy Committee

Meeting – Date & Venue	Wellington Regional Strategy Committee 28 March 2017 Westpac Stadium
Present	Wellington Region Councils,
Key issues from meeting	Economic update WREDA Half Year Report WREDA Draft Statement of Intent WRS workshop

11. Correspondence

DATE	INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE	SUBJECT
9 February 2017	Diana Crossan, CE Wellington Free Ambulance	Thanks for meeting and for the continuing support.
10 February 2017	Mayor of Kaikoura Winston Gray	Thanks to Ian Cresswell and the community for money raised in Martinborough towards earthquake fund.
12 February 2017	Andrew Wright, Waiohine Action Committee	Thanks for attendance and that of Councillors at meeting to discuss flood protection Issues.
17 February 2017	Cobblestones Museum trust	Thanks for the work SWDC has made to East Street.
3 March 2017	Irene Hammond	Condition of Greytown Cemetery.
8 March 2017	Rotary Club of South Wairarapa	Honorary Membership.
15 March 2017	Hon Paula Bennett	Regional Mid-sized Tourism Facilities Grants Fund now calling for submissions.
16 March 2017	Mayor Hurunui District Council Winton Dalley	Sincere appreciation for donation to the Hurunui earthquake fund.

DATE	OUTWARDS	SUBJECT
14 February 2017	Andrew Wright, Waiohine Action Committee	Confirming that District Mayors and GWRC meeting regularly and will use those opportunities to discuss management plans.
15 February 2017	Mayor of Kaikoura Winston Gray Mayor Hurunui District Council Winton Dalley	Letter from Wairarapa mayors enclosing donation towards the earthquake fund.
20 March 2017	Rotary Club of South Wairarapa	Honorary membership accepted.
20 March 2017	Irene Hammond	Greytown Cemetery.

12. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Correspondence from Hurunui District Council

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16 March 2017

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Dear Lyn, Adrienne and John

DONATION TO THE HURUNUI EARTHQUAKE FUND

On behalf of the Hurunui District Council Councillors, Staff and Communities we wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for your donation towards the Hurunui Mayoral Earthquake Fund.

Your donation is being used with care and thoughtfulness throughout our district on various response and recovery needs within our townships and rural areas. We will ensure that your generosity benefits in the most meaningful way those individuals and communities most severely affected.

The effects of this earthquake in Hurunui are largely hidden from public view in our remote rural areas, and farmers in particular have many challenges ahead of them to rebuild their homes infrastructure and severely damaged land.

A significant number of our village people also face the loss of their homes and the substantial loss of community infrastructure.

My community has been humbled and extremely grateful for the amazing generosity extended to us during this natural disaster

Your generous financial contribution and your thoughtfulness has given us great comfort and encouragement to rebuild that, which was destroyed at 12.02pm on 14 November 2016.