

# SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

5 FEBRUARY 2020

## AGENDA ITEM C9

### ELECTED MEMBER AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

#### Purpose of Report

To seek approval from Council to make elected member and committee appointments.

#### Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receives the Elected Member and Committee Appointments Report*
2. *Resolves to appoint the following external members to the Māori Standing Committee: Amiria Te Whaiti (Papawai Marae) and Deborah Davidson (Papawai Marae).*
3. *Resolves to appoint Mayor Alex Beijen and councillors Alistair Plimmer, Rebecca Fox and Leigh Hay to the Greytown Sport and Recreation Advisory Group.*
4. *Resolves to appoint Cr Pam Colenso (SWDC appointee on the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Joint Committee) to the Wairarapa Joint Policies Working Group on an interim basis for the purposes of reviewing the Draft Wellington Region Territorial Authority (TA) Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw.*

#### 1. Background

Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides for local authorities to hold the meetings that are necessary for the good government of the region or district (clause 19); to appoint the committees, subcommittees and other subordinate decision-making bodies that it considers appropriate, including joint committees with other local authorities (clause 30); and to appoint or discharge any member of a committee or subcommittee (clause 31).

Council are being asked to make appointments to the Māori Standing Committee, the Greytown Sport and Recreation Advisory Group and an interim appointment to the Wairarapa Joint Policies Working Group.

## **2. Discussion**

### **2.1 Māori Standing Committee**

Schedule 7 cl 31 (3) of the LGA 2002 allows for the appointment of external members to a committee or subcommittee *‘a person who is not a member of the local authority or committee if, in the opinion of the local authority, that person has the skills, attributes, or knowledge that will assist the work of the committee or subcommittee.’*

Members are required to advise on tangata whenua and Māori interests in the Council’s major areas of activity and therefore recommended membership of the committee should be representatives from the district’s marae, iwi and Pae tū Mokai o Tauira. This is in line with the Terms of Reference.

The marae, iwi and Pae tū Mokai o Tauira were written to in September 2019 and advised that their appointments would be rolled over unless they notified Council otherwise. At the time, Papawai Marae advised they were working through an expressions of interest process and would notify their appointments in due course.

On 28 November 2019, the Chair of Papawai Marae notified their nominations of Amiria Te Whaiti and Deborah Davidson. Council are asked to endorse these nominations through formal appointment.

With the appointment of Papawai Marae representatives only the Kahungunu o Wairarapa position on the Committee remains vacant.

### **2.2 Greytown Sport and Recreation Advisory Group**

The Greytown Sport and Recreation Advisory Group has been setup by Greytown Sport and Leisure to address Greytown’s growing demand for sport and recreation facilities. Membership includes Greytown Sport and Leisure executive officer and board member, the SWDC Mayor and three Greytown ward councillors, Kuranui College, Greytown Trust Lands, Greytown Rugby Club and Greytown Bowling Club. A press release from Greytown Sport and Leisure providing more information on the aims of the Group is attached in Appendix 2.

Council is being asked to endorse the appointment of elected member representatives to this outside organisation. The Mayor and councillor positions are advisory, and any decisions will be made by Council following the correct process.

### **2.3 Draft Wellington Region TA Waste Management and Minimisation Bylaw**

The Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WRWMMP) Joint Committee are working towards all member TA’s adopting a common bylaw. A template has been prepared by the Committee for each TA to review. As some member TA’s bylaws are due to expire there is some urgency for this project to be moved forward. The Joint Committee are requesting feedback in March with the expectation that member TA’s move into public consultation in April.

The Wairarapa councils are proposing that the Wairarapa Policies Working Group review the template bylaw (as the working group with oversight of joint policies and

bylaws) with the assistance of the Wairarapa councillor appointees to the WRWMMP Joint Committee. Council are being asked to endorse the interim appointment of Cr Pam Colenso to the Joint Wairarapa Policies Working Group for this purpose.

A report will be provided to the Assets and Services Committee for the 26 February 2020 meeting providing more information on this subject.

### **3. Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Papawai Pa Trust Correspondence

Appendix 2 – Greytown Sport and Leisure Press Release

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Reviewed by: Harry Wilson, Chief Executive

# **Appendix 1 – Papawai Pa Trust Correspondence**

**From:** [Tia Tuuta](#)  
**To:** [Steph Dorne](#)  
**Subject:** Papawai Pa MSC representatives  
**Date:** Thursday, 28 November 2019 5:41:13 PM

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Kia ora Steph

Apologies I have been for the past few days.

Papawai Pa Trust sought EoI from Papawai whanau to represent Papawai Pa on the MSC. The Trustees met and discussed representation and resolved to appoint Amiria Te Whaiti and Deborah Davidson.

The Trustees are wanting to know if we can be included in the distribution of the board pack and minutes if that is possible.

Nga mihi  
Tia Tuuta  
Chairperson

## **Appendix 2 – Greytown Sport and Leisure Press Release**



**Media Release**  
**27<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

## **Greytown aiming to futureproof sport and recreation facilities**

Futureproofing Greytown's sport and recreation facilities is a step closer with the formation of an advisory group led by Greytown Community Sport and Leisure Society (GCSLS).

Chaired by GCSLS board member Gary Hewson, the Greytown Sport and Recreation Advisory Group is also made up of new South Wairarapa Mayor Alex Beijen, and newly-elected Greytown councillors Leigh Hay, Rebecca Fox and Alistair Plimmer, Kuranui College Principal Simon Fuller and representatives from Greytown Trust Lands Trust and the Greytown rugby and bowls clubs.

"There is no doubt that the population of Greytown is rapidly growing: it is increasing at a faster rate than any other town in the South Wairarapa, across all demographics," explained Hewson.

"Our town needs to be able to cope with a growing demand for sport and recreation facilities, and with anticipated intergenerational change, we need to future-proof for this to provide the right amenities for our grandchildren and their children."

It was anticipated in the last South Wairarapa Long-term Plan that Greytown's population will grow 1.5 times its current population, moving from 2,438 to 3,581 by 2043\*.

The Group has identified a number of challenges and top of the list is the lack of sporting green space needed to cope with growing demand. Compared to other towns in the South Wairarapa District, Greytown has significantly less Council-provided greenspace.

This lack of sporting greenspace has meant that there is no central location in Greytown that supports a multi-purpose, multi-use amenity and social hub facility for sport and recreation for the whole community.

"A central location would ensure safe and easy access to a range of recreational facilities for both young and old alike. Fundamentally supporting community cohesiveness and protecting our Greytown greenspace heritage for all to enjoy," added Hewson.

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There are strong arguments for creating a central community hub. Sport New Zealand, in its recent research on the *Value of Sport*, found that 73% of New Zealanders agreed that sport and physical activity helps to build vibrant and stimulating communities, with 84% believing that sport and physical activity brings people together and creates a sense of belonging.

Kuranui College has an urgent need for a new indoor gym and will need to rebuild to provide this facility. This has presented the community with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to build a sports facility that the entire district can use for a range of sport and community purposes\*\*.

Adding to these challenges are the changes to the distribution of the community dividend provided by Greytown Trust Lands Trust. These changes have been made to ensure the Trust's financial sustainability and their ability to maintain a reasonable level of community funding. To do this the Trust must balance the level of support it makes through land ownership and cash distribution.

The Group has identified the need for both indoor and outdoor facilities and is working through a range of options to meet increased demand, whilst ensuring long term sustainably for sport and recreation activity in Greytown into the future.

\* ID Consultants' population projections from p.12 SWDC LTP 2018-2028.

\*\* Sport NZ p.20 Value of Sport 2017

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