

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

15 OCTOBER 2014

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.*

1. Meeting Report - Rimutaka Hill Road Committee Meeting Tuesday 16 July 2014

Attendees	Mayor Adrienne Staples SWDC Mayor Lyn Patterson Masterton Mayor Wayne Guppy - UHCC Robin Dunlop - strategic advisor Richard Hocken NZ Road Policing Mark Owen NZTA Sandy Walker - NZRTA
Apologies	
Key issues from meeting	Urgently write to GW and NZTA requesting easing of corners on north side of hill be included in RTP and considered for R funding. Adrienne to write to Rod James on behalf of the committee regarding the signage issues on the slow lanes and pull over bays.
Specific item/s for action	Adrienne - write as above. Invite Gary McPhee to join RHRC Robin Dunlop - contact Mark Allingham (SWDC) regarding putting together the proposal to support the letter. follow up on rail tunnel discussion. Mark - circulate car park reseal plan.
General	Update from Mark re actions from previous meeting and as per his email which had been circulated. Also re Business case for Rimutaka Hill Road. 30 1 hour face to face interviews had been carried out with customers

	<p>and stakeholders to get their perspective. Included cyclists, truckies, general public, public transport users, business owners and drivers. Most likely that the next work would be scheduled for 'Jim' and "Bob's corners (south side where fill from Muldoon's had been located)</p> <p>Presentation on this for next meeting. Outcome will be unlikely to meet 2015-18 RTP timeline.</p> <p>Electronic warning signs for 'Adrienne and Lyn's' corners being investigated as an interim measure.</p> <p>NZTA to reseal car park at summit. Indicitive plan to be circulated. Adrienne advised about plan for memorial for Rimutaka March.</p> <p>Network Outcomes Contract – Opus and FH. 5 year maintenance strategy (presentation to committee in future)</p> <p>Update from Sandy around issues for heavy traffic on the hill. Approx 10% of heavy traffic affected by the tight corners in question. Trucks prefer the SH2 route as it is more economical.</p> <p>Richard – Rimutaka rail tunnel safety in a fire? Was this on anyone's radar? Robin to make enquiries through his contacts.</p> <p>Lyn – GW should be represented on Committee. Gary McPhee to be invited.</p> <p>General discussion around renaming the Rimutaka Hill Road. All agreed current name not an accurate description and any proposed change could probably form part of the Rangitane Treaty Settlement claim to have the name spelled Remutaka.</p> <p>Next meeting – 4 November 11am, Greytown Town Centre, WBS Room.</p>
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2. Meeting Report - Rimutaka Memorial Project

Name	Mayor Adrienne Staples
Meeting – Date & Venue	Rimutaka Memorial Project Council Chambers 18 September
Attendees	Mayor Adrienne Staples, Tweet Bird, Willie ??
Specific item/s for Council consideration	<p>As part of the WWI commemorations it is proposed to re-enact a march of soldiers from the former Featherston Military training camp east of Featherston over the Rimutakas. Through the course of the camp's existence sixty thousand men made this march. It has been proposed that a memorial structure be erected at the summit of the Hill Road and dedicated to these men on the day of the march.</p> <p>Featherston Community Board has agreed to run a design competition to encourage community participation.</p> <p>The structure would be located on land belonging to Greater Wellington Regional Council. Initial discussions with GW are supportive although they would require a good proportion of interpretation panels to be included in the</p>

	<p>design to meet their policy on such projects. They have indicated however that they would not be prepared to maintain any such structure.</p> <p>The other option is for SWDC to agree to maintain the memorial provided that it can be built of suitable vandal and graffiti proof materials.</p>
Recommendations	<p>That SWDC to agree to maintain the Rimutaka Summit memorial once it is completed.</p> <p>That the design criteria be approved by the Group Manager Infrastructure and Services before the design competition commences.</p> <p>That the final design is approved by the Group Manager Infrastructure and Services before the competition winner is announced and building commences.</p>

3. Other Meetings and Engagements

Date	Engagement	Date	Engagement
10/09/14 – 11/09/14	Chor Farmer	19/09/14	Quilting Exhibition
12/09/14	GWRC Regional Plan update	23/09/14	SWSCC Board Meeting
14/09/14	St Teresa's 100 th Anniversary	26/09/14	SWSCC Premises blessing
15/09/14	Martinborough Community Board	26/09/14	Leaders Real Estate function
16/09/14	Featherston Community Board	30/09/14	Rimutaka Summit
17/09/14	Greytown Community Board	1/10/14	Sport Wellington
18/09/14	Combined Council dinner	2/10/14 – 3/10/14	National Council
19/09/14	Rimutaka March		

4. Correspondence

4.1 Inwards

DATE	INWARDS	SUBJECT
19 August 14	Prof. Charles Daugherty, Victoria University	Invitation to Whanganui conference "A place to live"
20 August 14	Eastern and Central Community Trust	Evaluation of Summer Reading programme
20 August 14	Mayor Celia Wade-Brown	Mayors for Peace
21 August 14	Greg O'Connor, President of NZ Police Association.	2014 policy document "Towards a Safer New Zealand"
25 August 14	Eastern and Central Community Trust	Annual report for 2013-2014 financial year
25 August 14	Hon Dr Nick Smith	Disposal of Crown reserve land
26 August 14	NZTA Road Efficiency Group	One network Road Classification
27 August 14	Maria Fairburn	Cycle Track Plans

DATE	INWARDS	SUBJECT
28 August 14	Bruce Lahore, CEO, NZ Motor Caravan Association Inc.	High Court ruling on Freedom Camping
3 September 14	UNICEF	Integrating Child Friendly Policies in LTP
5 September 14	V.Kunz	Road repairs
6 September 14	Kate Styles, NZTA	New Regional Director Central Region is Raewyn Bleakley
10 September 14	Greater Wellington Regional Council	New Plan for the Public Transport system in the Wellington Region
16 September 14	Infiltril	Wellington Airport runway extension
17 September 14	Trust House	Cycle Stand at Featherston Gateway
19 September 14	John Hayes	Letter of thanks as he retires as MP for the Wairarapa
23 September 14 (received)	Mayor Masterton District Council	Balloon Fiesta planning for 2015
24 September 14	Z Hansen	Recycling plan suggestions
25 September 14	Wairarapa Road Safety Council	2013/14 Annual Financial Statement and the Chairperson's 2013/14 Annual Report
29 September 14 (received)	Glen Davidson	Need to address speed limits on East Street

4.2 Outwards

DATE	OUTWARDS	SUBJECT
13 August 14	Principal, Paraparaumu School	Conveying sympathy from community following fire and donating children's books to help replace loss
27 August 14	Lottery WW1 Commemorations, Environment and Heritage	Support letter for grant for Anzac Hall restoration and conservation project
15 September 14	CEO, Trust House	Asking that the landscaping design for new Featherston Supermarket include a cycle rack
16 September 14	Maria Fairburn	Western Lake Road Cycle Track Plans
17 September 14	V.Kunz	Road repairs
18 September 14	Peter George , NZ Motor Caravan Association	Message of thanks for the 'Clean Up' that members did in Featherston the past weekend
24 September 14	Cross Creek Railway	Letter of support for Funding
24 September 14	'Wings Over Wairarapa'	Letter of support for Funding
30 September 14	Glen Davison	Engineers to consider road issues on East Street
30 September 14	Z Hansen	Thanks for suggestion regarding recycling

5. Appendix

Appendix 1 – Trust House Correspondence

Prepared By: Her Worship the Mayor, Adrienne Staples

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TRUST HOUSE
COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE

17 September 2014



Her Worship the Mayor
Adrienne Staples
SWDC
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Martinborough

Dear Adrienne

I am in receipt of your letter dated 15 September 2014 where you highlight a letter that you have receive from a local resident in regards to incorporating a cycle stand within the landscaping of the new Trust House commercial development, Featherston Gateway.

I would you like to pass on my sincere thanks to the resident for their comments and we have decided to incorporate a cycle stand within the project.

We also believe that this will enhance the cycle friendliness of the town and are only two happy to assist with this request.

Yours sincerely

Allan Pollard
Chief Executive