

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

24 FEBRUARY 2016

AGENDA ITEM F1

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. *Provide guidance on the offer from Chor Farmer Choir to name the Japanese garden area of the Garden of Remembrance and pay for a sign.*

1. Japanese Garden, State Highway 2

Chor Farmer Choir are to visit again in September 2016. It will be their 25th Anniversary Tour.

They have contacted me asking if they could pay for a sign to formally name the Japanese area of the Garden of Remembrance on SH2. They have suggested Cherry Blossom Garden, Cherry Tree Garden or something similar.

Councillor's guidance is requested.

2. Other Matters

There have been no regional meetings for 2016 at the time of writing this report. A verbal update will be given on local meetings and functions attended.

3. Other Meetings and Engagements

DATE	ENGAGEMENT	DATE	ENGAGEMENT
19/01/16	Communications meeting	04/02/16	Social Sector Trial
22/01/16	Aratoi Featherston Camp Exhibition Opening	05/02/16	National Council
23/01/16	Wellington Cup Carnival	06/02/16	Sculpture Trust BBQ
24/01/16	Featherston Sculpture lunch	09/02/16	Shared Services
30/01/16	Cruise Martinborough	09/02/16	Featherston Leaders Meeting

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31/01/16	Featherston Swimming Event	10/02/16	WWUP Presentation
01/02/16	Wai Moana Research students	10/02/16	Infrastructure and Planning Working Party
01/02/16	Martinborough Community Board	10/02/16	Annual Plan Workshop
02/02/16	Funeral	10/02/16	Martinborough Lions Dinner
02/02/16	Featherston Community Board	11/02/16	John Key Carterton
03/02/16	Featherston Crisis Meeting	11/02/16	Statue unveiling Carterton
03/02/16	Greytown Community Board		

4. Correspondence

4.1 Inwards

DATE	INWARDS	SUBJECT
7 October 16	Trust House	Annual report.
11 October 16	The NZ Initiative	Research report In the Zone: Creating a toolbox for Regional prosperity.
12 October 16	The Rimutaka Crossing 1915-1918 Memorial Reenactment Group	Thanks to Mayor and the SWDC for all the help with organising the Re-enactment march and the contribution towards the Remembrance Structure.
20 October 16	The Governor General	Thanking Mayor for becoming a Local patron of The Duke of Edinburgh's Hillary Award.
27 October 16	NZ Council for Infrastructure Development	Integrated Governance Planning and Delivery; A proposal for Local government and Planning Law Reform in NZ.
3 November 15	Hon Steven Joyce	Enclosing copies of the 2105 Regional Activity Report.
5 November 15	Hon Dr Nick Smith	Environment Aotearoa 2015.
9 November 15	Sport Wellington	Thank you for the support towards the Wairarapa Secondary School Sports Awards.
1 December 15	Jono Naylor MP	Litter Act Amendment Bill.
1 December 15	Citizens Advice Bureau NZ Inc.	Annual Report.
4 December 15	Sport Wellington	Thanks for continues support.
15 December 15	Cottage Grove Residents Association	Cottage Grove Roads.
16 December 15	Office of Treaty Settlements	Geographic place name changes.
17 December 15	Wellington Free Ambulance	Annual report
18 December 15	Problem Gambling Foundation	Annual Report
22 December 15	Japanese Ambassador	Thanks for continuing support in promoting bilateral ties.
23 December 15	Mayor Tim Shadbolt, Invercargill	Insurance cover in cases of

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	City Council	defamation.
29 December 15	Jerry Steer	Waihinga Project
5 January 16	Anonymous	Concerned at the introduction of birds of prey to district
8 January 16	J.I. Hughson	Letter of appreciation of Council office staff.
15 January 16	G Powell	Greytown heritage matters
18 January 16	Supa-NZ	Outlining their plans.
19 January 16	Ambassador People's Republic of China	Falun Gong.
20 January 16	Anonymous	Concerned at political party use of a building. Building not Council owned.
20 January 16	Steffan Browning MP	Concern over use of glyphosate.
22 January 16	Malaghan Institute	Newsletter
1 February 16	Greater Wellington Regional Council	Annual report on performance of Wellington's metro rail service.
7 February 16	Charmaine Hard	Ideas for youth

4.2 Outwards

DATE	INWARDS	SUBJECT
7 December	Connecting Communities	Letter of support for funding request
9 December	Featherston Lions	Thanks for inclusion in Over 70's Lunch. Thanks for the work Featherston Lions does in the community.
9 December	Featherston Lionesses	Thanks for inclusion in Over 70's Lunch. Thanks for the work Featherston Lions does in the community.
26 January	G Powell	Greytown heritage matters
27 January	Wayne Guppy, Presidents of Wellington Racing Club	Thank for hospitality on Cup Day.
1 February	Cottage Grove Residents Association	Acknowledging request and Council to advise once officers provide reports.
10 February	Jerry Steer	Waihinga Centre Project update – response to letter of 29 December.
11 February	Charmaine Hard	Thanks for ideas on providing entertainment for young of district which will discuss with the relevant parties.

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