Destination Wairarapa would gladly be involved in helping to determine where a similar amenities fund's investment might give the greatest return to the Wairarapa and Wellington.

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Yours sincerely

Steve Blakemore

Chairman

Destination Wairarapa



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Submission to South Wairarapa District Council (SWDC) Draft Long Term Plan 2012-22

| SPORT WELLINGTON | Sport Wellington is the independent organisation for sport and physical recreation covering the Greater Wellington Regional Council area – working alongside the eight local authorities. |
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| VISION | Everyone, everyday experiencing the force of sport and physical recreation. |
| PURPOSE | To promote and support sport and recreation in our region. |
| REGIONAL OFFICE | Sport Wellington Wairarapa is a regional office of Sport Wellington, and is based in Masterton, Wairarapa. |
| REGIONAL VALUE OF SPORT AND RECREATION | In 2011 Sport NZ (previously SPARC) published a series of reports on the economic and social value of sport and recreation to New Zealand at a national and regional level. This information alongside previous participation surveys shows that sport and recreation's contribution is far reaching. |

Sport and recreation activities are highly valued by people in the Wellington region:

- 9 out of 10 (90%) young people (5 17 yrs) take part in at least one sport or recreation activity over a year (with 66% taking part with family and friends).
- Over 8 out of 10 (84%) of adults take part in at least one sport or recreation activity over a year.
- These are supported by over 76,000 volunteers

Sport and recreation volunteers contribute valuable services to the Wellington region:

- Volunteers contributed 4.5 million hours to sport and recreation in 2007/08
- The estimated market value of these volunteered services is \$64 million at 2009 values

Sport and Recreation is an important economic sector in the Wellington region:

• The contribution of sport and recreation to GDP (including volunteered services) in 2008/09 is estimated to have been \$514.6 million, or 1.9%.

Sport and Recreation is an important vehicle for expressing Maori and Pacific Island culture from traditional activities and mainstream sports to national representative level (e.g. waka ama, netball, rugby league).

Source: SPARC, 2011. The Economic Value of Sport and Recreation to the Wellington Region. Wellington: SPARC

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Firstly, Sport Wellington would like to acknowledge the important investment that SWDC continues to make in sport and recreation in the South Wairarapa District. Local authorities throughout New Zealand are the largest investors by far in sport and recreation, and are critical and essential to its delivery.

Sport Wellington supports the community outcomes in particular 'Healthy and Economically Secure People' and 'Vibrant and Strong Communities'.

Overseas research shows that participation in sport and recreation benefits communities by contributing to:

- Pride in the community and a sense of identity
- Increased community involvement
- Reduced anti-social behaviour
- Less crime, vandalism and substance abuse.

Additionally, participation in sport benefits educational outcomes. A new NZ study shows that school attendance and students' connectedness with their school are positively linked to secondary school students' participation in school sport.

Participation in sport improves employment prospects also. In the recent case study completed of Norths Rugby Club, Porirua, a coach stated: "A lot of the guys have gained employment because of who they play for, because it's on their CV. Your profile, yes it does help. It show that you're committed, dedicated".

This same study also underlines the important role sport plays in creating opportunities for family time, creating a sense of belonging, positive community identity and a sense of pride.

Source: Research NZ (commissioned by SPARC), 2010. Value of Sport and Recreation; Case Study of Northern United Rugby Football Club. Wellington: SPARC

Swimming Pools

Sport Wellington supports the feasibility study for the Council's three pools. We support the consideration for the efficient heating of these pools. Heating these pools will improve the current under-utilisation and more importantly, will provide a better quality experience for residents, in particular children.

Sport Wellington currently supports, via KiwiSport funding, swimming lessons for children in years 1-6 in various parts of the Wellington region. The partner delivering this initiative, Hutt City Council, has been reviewing current facilities in South Wairarapa and has noted that schools struggle to teach swimming due to the water temperature. Swimming lessons will be provided in South Wairarapa but there may be limitations due to current facilities.

SPORT WELLINGTON
WAIRARAPA

Application for funding

SWDC states in the draft long term plan (page 50) that, by necessity, it must work

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INVESTMENT APPLICATION

with other organisations to achieve results. Sport Wellington provides support and resource to sport, recreation and educational organisations in the Wairarapa district such as Greytown Sport and Leisure Society.

Additionally, we provide across the region initiatives and resources such as 'join a club' campaigns and information on sport and recreation opportunities available in Wairarapa.

Sport Wellington applies for funding from the South Wairarapa District Council for \$5,000 to continue to provide services (via the Sport Wellington Wairarapa regional office) for sport and recreation in the district.

We would like to speak to our submission.

Phil Gibbons

Chief Executive Officer Sport Wellington

May 2012

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SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

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30 May 2012



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Dear Adrienne

Submission on the SWDC Draft Long Term Plan 2012 - 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the South Wairarapa District Council (SWDC) Draft Long Term Plan 2012-2022 (draft Plan). Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) wishes to comment on the draft Plan in the following areas:

Civil Defence and Emergency Management (pages 45-47)

Greater Wellington supports the acknowledgement in the draft Plan of the value of making efforts to reduce the impacts of hazards in the Wellington region. We support the reference to the joining of the Wellington region territorial authorities and Greater Wellington to form a semi-autonomous civil defence and emergency management group. We suggest some small changes to the wording on page 45 in order to better reflect that we have several Emergency Operations Centres throughout the region. We therefore suggest amending the passage as follows:

Maintain the Wellington Region CDEM Group's emergency operations centres so that they can
be quickly activated to manage emergency events. The centres include information management
systems, robust communication systems, plus trained appointed and volunteer staff.

Sustainable Transport (page 63)

Greater Wellington supports SWDC's principal objective of protecting the health and safety of the community (page 63). In accordance with this aspiration, it would be excellent to see the council supporting schools to implement safe and sustainable transport opportunities and the school travel plan programme in its area. Also, many South Wairarapa residents travel to Wellington for work, so it would be good to see the council promoting the Let's Carpool service in its area, through local media outlets.

Now that the Rimutaka Rail Trail has been upgraded at the Cross Creek end, improvements on the road between Cross Creek and Featherston, from a safe cycling perspective, would be recommended.



Biodiversity (page 54)

Even though in the draft Plan SWDC acknowledges that under section 31 of the Resource Management Act "maintenance of indigenous biological diversity" is a function of the Council, there are no specific actions, plans, strategies or resources clearly allocated to address terrestrial biodiversity issues. Policy 61c of the pRPS "Allocation of responsibilities for land use controls for indigenous biodiversity" reads:

(c) City and district councils shall be responsible for developing objectives, policies, rules and/or methods in district plans for the control of the use of land for the maintenance of indigenous biological diversity. This excludes land within the coastal marine area and the beds of lakes and rivers.

Greater Wellington recommends that SWDC amends the draft Long Term Plan to provide clarity as to how it will resource its functions in this area in the next 10 years.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the South Wairarapa District Council Draft Long Term Plan 2012-2022. Greater Wellington does not wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Yours sincerely

Fran Wilde Chair 30th May, 2012

Long Term Plan Submission Sth Wairarapa District Council PO Box 6 MARTINBOROUGH

To whom it may concern,

RE; DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2012/2022

Masterton Motorplex Incorporated is writing to you to request a date and time to be heard at your hearings to outline to you a submission for you to consider in your draft long term plan.

Masterton Motorplex Incorporated is currently in the process of building a multiple use motorsport park facility adjacent to the Hood Aerodrome in Masterton designated by Masterton District Council to be utilized for motorsport and resource consent has been approved.

The facility will be built to cater for a number of different uses. We see the facility being used for defensive driving courses, driver training, truck licensing, motorbike training, police driver training, exhibitions, drag racing, and car shows. The facility will have a conference room which will be able to be utilized as a classroom or function room. It will also have showers and toilets available and a camping area allocated. These are just some of the uses that this facility will be able to cater for. Once it is completed we are sure that having a tar sealed area with the amenities that will be provided will be suitable for other events that New Zealand would like to host.

There are a number of ways to demonstrate the changes our facility will make in benefiting the community and not just the Wairarapa. One of our goals is to involve all age groups in defensive driving courses.

It is well documented that many road accidents could have been avoided had the driver been introduced to a basic driver course. The facility will be available to complete practical defensive driving courses and provide an area for our learner drivers to practice and develop real-life driving techniques.

We have also had support from our local Masterton police who as you would be aware are having continual issues with boy racers in our area, and it is not just one or two cars involved, we are seeing hundreds of cars arriving from the Wellington region causing serious concerns for police and our local residents. This facility would allow the boy

racers somewhere to race in a safe and controlled environment and get them off our streets.

Another benefit we see is that the Wairarapa economy is growing each year and hosting popular events. By providing an international standard motorsport park facility in our region it will increase the revenue and profile of our region and other activities that we have to offer. Our drag racing events that we have held has been attended by 140 national and international racers and 2000 - 3000 spectators per event from all over New Zealand. The projected local impact of hosting these events is approximately \$2.2m per season to our community.

The facility has already started to progress with the earthworks completed by Oldfields Wairarapa at cost price and also donated time from them. Our local Wairarapa businesses have pledged their support to us in providing us with fencing materials, seeds, and building supplies. We have submitted a grant application into New Zealand Lotteries for \$500,000 to assist us further in completing the sealing process of the facility and will have an answer from them in June 2012. We have positive endorsement also from John Hayes and Bob Francis supporting the facility and are encouraged at the potential benefit that it will bring to the Wairarapa.

As part of your long term plan we are seeking \$25,000 from Sth Wairarapa District Council as your contribution in assisting us to build this facility for your region.

We hope that you consider our application favourably and look forward to hearing from you to confirm with us a date and time to discuss this application.

Kind regards,

Jenelle Green Masterton Motorplex Inc

Track Secretary.

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The Trustees of the Wings Over Wairarapa Community Trust would like the South Wairarapa District Council along with the other Wairarapa District Councils to consider funding events such as the Biennial Wings Over Wairarapa Airshow directly rather than by contributing to a Regional Amenities Fund.

Events such as the Wings Over Wairarapa Airshow are so significant for the Wairarapa that direct funding should be considered so that the organisers of such can at some level depend where appropriate on an expected level of funding that facilitates the successful running of such significant events.

The Wings Over Wairarapa Community Trust request that the South Wairarapa District Council consider funding \$5000.00 towards the costs of the 2013 Airshow in its 2012/2013 budget. The Trustees of the Wings Over Wairarapa Community Trust further request that the Council consider a similar level of funding annually thereafter.

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Enviroschools

Submission to South Wairarapa District Council 2012-22 LTP

Enviroschools Wellington region request a contribution from the South Wairarapa District Council 2012-22 LTP of \$9000 per annum to be able to run the Enviroschools Network in Southern Wairarapa.

A big thank you to SWDC for supporting the Enviroschools Programme in the Wairarapa since 2006. The Enviroschools Programme contributes to South Wairarapa District Council's Community Outcomes of Sustainable South Wairarapa, Vibrant Strong Communities and Educated and Knowledgeable People.

Things are going well

The Programme continues to achieve good results in the region (see Enviroschools Wellington Snapshot 2011 and End of Year Report 2011/12 – attached). Because it is a sharing and networking rather than delivery model, what the programme offers schools grows as more schools join, sharing their knowledge and experiences with the network. Not only have the number of schools participating increased in the region and across the country, but a significant injection of government funding at the National Level for the next 4 years will mean stronger support structures for our local team, improved resources and professional development opportunities and improved opportunities to share expertise between regions. This is a good time to invest in the programme with the potential for return on investment growing all the time.

The Enviroschools network continues to grow in South Wairarapa with Pirinoa School joining the network this year and Tuturumuri School also showing interest.

A sustainable funding structure

The financial statements included in our End of Year Report indicate that last year's funding increase to \$8250 has been sufficient to enable us to meet the support needs of the schools involved, pay facilitators at market rates, establish independence from Masterton District Council, and is expected also be sufficient to sustain the programme at the current level for the next three years.

We are requesting an extra \$750 per annum as a contribution to running further teacher workshops in the region. Teachers are requesting the opportunity to receive extra professional development to help them to incorporate sustainability content into their curriculum work. Now that the Ministry of Education no longer offer advisors to schools in areas other than in Literacy and Numeracy, Enviroschools is one of the few places such support can come from.

We would like to express our preference that the full \$9000 come from one source (such as from a funding line in the LTP). However, if that is not possible, we again request that a contribution be considered from the Waste Minimisation Fund.

I am happy to answer any questions related to this submission or provide further information as required. We would like to speak to this submission. The preferred date would be Monday 18th June.

Karyn Burgess, Enviroschools Regional Coordinator, Wellington Region Ph 021 133 2569 Email karyn.burgess@gw.govt.nz

Attached: End of Year Report

Associated: Enviroschools Wellington Region Snapshot 2011 which you will have received

separately.

Enviroschools Wellington Greater Wellington Regional Council PO Box 41 Masterton

1 June 2012

Dr Jack Dowds South Wairarapa District Council PO Box 6 Martinborough 5741



Kia ora Dr Dowds

Re: Enviroschools Funding through Waste Levy

This letter is to enquire about the possibility of the Enviroschools Programme accessing funds through the Waste Minimisation Levy once again in 2012.

In 2011/12 the Enviroschools Programme had \$8250 allocated to it in the Annual Plan.

As explained in our submission, our preference is that our request for funding (\$9000 per annum this round) come from a single source. However, if that is not possible, we would like to request that the Waste Minimisation Levy be considered as a means of meeting the shortfall beyond what is allocated in the plan

Schools engaged in the Enviroschools Programme all take action on waste. All 5 enviroschools in South Wairarapa have been diverting waste from landfill during the 2011/12 year and Pirinoa school have made significant inroads into reducing their waste as the principal will outline when she speaks to our submission.

We would like to work specifically with schools to include measuring waste as part of their annual goals and support them to use the Enviroschools national Measuring Change tool with which they can audit their waste, take action to reduce it and compare change over time. There is therefore a strong link between what the Enviroschools programme achieved and the goals of the Waste Minimisation Levy Fund.

We look forward to hearing from you in response to this request.

Nga mihi nui

Karyn Burgess Enviroschools Regional Coordinator Wellington Region Ph 021 133 2569

End of Year Report 2011/12 Enviroschools Wellington Region – Southern Wairarapa

8 current enviroschools (Carterton School, St Mary's School, Gladstone School, Greytown School, Martinborough School, Kahutara School, St Teresa's, and Featherston School) + Pirinoa School (recently joined the programme not reported on)



Overarching Strategic Goal

For all schools in the region to be making progress towards an ongoing, integrated, self-directed approach to education for sustainability by 2025.

Progress towards this goal in Southern Wairarapa:

| Category | Description | Schools in this category |
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| Active enviroschools | Committed to Enviroschools programme as a whole school Making steady forward progress in a journey towards an integrated, self-directed approach to sustainability | Greytown – working towards green-gold Gladstone – working at silver level St Teresa's – working towards sliver Carterton – working at Silver level Pirinoa – working towards bronze St Mary's – working towards bronze Martinborough – working at bronze level Featherston – have increased their level of engagement and are working at bronze level |
| Enviroschools Independent | Engaged in project-based Environmental Education | Kahutara – reviewing level of engagement South Featherston Tuturumuri Kuranui Dalefield South End School/ Montessori Ponatahi Christian School |

South Wairarapa Specific Goals:

- Clear understanding of the programme throughout each school and the associated community
- Three new schools with an ongoing commitment within upcoming 3 year period (1 Carterton based, 2 South Wairarapa based)

Outcomes Summary

Waste

Annual Action – all 8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have been taking action to divert waste from landfill during the 2011/12 year through student designed organic and non-organic recycling systems

Sustained Action - 6/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have been taking sustaining action to redirect waste from landfill in combination with meaningful learning for students for 3 years or more

Transport

Sustained Action - 6/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools either have a rural bus system or have been engaged in ongoing action to reduce travel to and from school for two years or more

Biodiversity

Annual Action – 6/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have taken action to improve local biodiversity over the past year, these schools have planted in the vicinity of 1700 trees during the 2011/12 year

Sustained Action – 6/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have been sustaining action to improve biodiversity in combination with meaningful learning for students for 3 years or more

Food growing

Annual Action – All 8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have some sort of food gardens in place

Sustained Action - 7/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have sustained food growing projects inconjunction with meaningful student learning since 2009, 4 of the schools with ongoing projects have been sustaining these since 2006 or earlier

Network Building/ Community relationships

Annual Action – Teachers from 7/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have participated in networking opportunities during the 2011/12 year

Sustained Action – 6/8 southern Wairarapa enviroschools have sustained ongoing relationships with community restoration groups at least into their second year, 5 of these have been sustaining the relationship for over 2 years

| 2011/12 Goals | Progress made towards goals / Significant | Actions for the next 3 years |
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| | Achievements | |
| Commitment from schools to continuing and expanding their journey Increased understanding of the enviroschools kaupapa within existing schools | Pirinoa School made an official commitment to an Enviroschools Journey by signing an agreement. St Teresa's School completed and celebrated a reflection at the Bronze level Teachers from, Greytown, Carterton, St Mary's, Martinborough, Pirinoa and St Teresa's will all have attended enviroschools workshops by the end of the 2011/12 year Greytown School are using the enviroschools reflection framework and working towards becoming a Green-Gold School Carterton School, St Teresa's and St Mary's School are working on their visions for the future. | Expand the programme to reach at least three more schools (Montessori? Tuturimuri ?and/or Kuranui?) Increase number of classes outside the envirogroup actively involved in projects Allocation of funds to support teachers to attend workshops All southern Wairarapa enviroschools completing Annual Goals, signed off by principals and staff Complete Green-Gold reflection process with Greytown School and celebrate Developing vision maps into visible form. Carterton School reflecting at Silver and St Mary's reflecting at Bronze (and possibly Silver) |
| Increased measurement of change | The Enviroschools Measuring Change website has been under development for most of the year for a much needed upgrade. It is now live once again and ready for use on Waste audits. | 75% of Southern Wairarapa Schools to have some information registered on Measuring Change within the three-year period. |
| Increased involvement with the local community | Featherston School have continued working with Featherston Walkways and Reserves Trust, Greater Wellington Regional Council and DOC and Kids Restore NZ to plant part of Otauira Reserve. Martinborough School and Kahutara School have worked with local restoration groups in beach clean-ups and plantings around Wairarapa Moana and Onoke spit. Martinborough school also grows renga renga for a QEII Trust project at Palliser Bay. Greytown School have consolidated their partnership with Papawai Marae through planting on Papawai stream | Support all schools to continue and expand community relationships Closer relationship with council staff |

National Programme Highlights

10 Year Celebration

In 2011 Enviroschools celebrated 10 years of the Programme operating nationwide. There are now over 800 schools, kura and earlychildhood centers involved and 80 supporting partners. Supporting councils should have received a 10 year celebration booklet from the national team towards the end of last year.

Expanded Data

Having engaged in a major nationwide data gathering exercise over the last 12 months, Enviroschools have significantly more robust data about what is happening in schools.

Measuring Change Website

The measuring Change website has undergone a significant redevelopment to make it much more user friendly for schools.

Regional Highlights

Snapshot 2011

For the first time we have put together a regional snapshot highlighting some great examples of action taking place within this region. While we do not intend to do this annually, we have had excellent feedback and will look at ways to continue to share this kind of information.

Local events

The Wairarapa Enviroschools facilitators have come up with a revised format for cluster meetings for teachers. The first example of this, a Workshop on soil, will take place in May and has had significant uptake.

Supporting Detail for Individual Local Schools

| | Facilitator Action | Outcomes / Significant Achievements |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Network as a whole Carterton School | Regular emails and electronic newsletter updates Level 1 and 2 workshops Soil workshop | Strong support for soils workshop |
| Carter torr scrioor | Regular meetings with lead teacher Envirogroup will be linked with Health Promoting Schools (HPS) leadership group | Safe Biking workshop for kids during lunch breaks Leadership in biking and walking to school Strong support for Mäori families |
| St Mary's School | Regular meetings with lead teacher Workshop with senior class regarding confidence course Whole staff meeting to reflect on Bronze level | Senior classes are working on their own designs for confidence course |
| Gladstone School | Meetings with lead teachers | Developed a sustainable relationship with local marae – Hurunui-o-rangi. Developed an inquiry approach to learning that requires action to be taken. |
| Kahutara School | Seeking clarification as to commitment to programme | Development of hill are with planting, propagation and structural elements through Take Action for Water Programme |
| Featherston School | Support to lead teacherWork with second teacher to develop video | Annual Goals developed |
| Martinborough School | Regular meetings with lead teacher Meeting with principal and lead teacher to discuss whole school engagement Workshop with envirogroup | Staff incorporating enviroschools approach into units on waste and energy. |
| Greytown School | Regular meetings with lead teacher Staff meetings on planning for Green Gold Mapped a way forward towards Green Gold | Whole school engagement of enviroschools programme Staff including Enviro focus into their term planning/curriculum Regular update on progress at staff meetings |
| St Teresa's | Bronze Reflection session with Envirogroup Regular meetings with lead teacher | Annual goal sheet completed Vision in place linked in with positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) Action plan on future projects |
| Pirinoa School | First staff meeting heldStaff to attend Enviroschools workshops | Agreement signed |

From: Ian Cresswell [mailto:oldcrez@hotmail.com]

Sent: Friday, 1 June 2012 03:23

To: Enquiries

Subject: SWDC Long Term Plan (LTP)

To the Council

LTP Submissions. I'm sure submissions closed recently. If a late one can still be received, please record this as a submission on the item, Martinborough Town Hall.

While I am grateful to have the sum of \$0.9m included in the Plan, I believe that, for a long <u>long term</u> plan, the figure should be much higher. To allow for inflation, unforseen structural problems and for works additional to those contemplated so far, it would be prudent for the Plan to contain a figure of, say, \$2m, with expenditure to be spread over 5-10 years. No doubt the \$0.9m is a "rounding up" of the consulting engineers/quantity surveyors estimate of \$0.85 which I'm sure is already "out of date."

Ian Cresswell 7Oxford Street Martinborough.

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL SUBMISSION FORM



Draft Long Term Plan 2012/2022

To: Long Term Plan Submission

South Wairarapa District Council

PO Box 6

Martinborough 5741



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Submission Form- Draft 2012/22 Long Term Plan

South Wairarapa District Council Draft Long Term Plan 2012/2022

Submission by Mike Laven on behalf of Task Holdings Limited

1.0 Introduction

This submission addresses the issue of targeted rates in Part 5 Funding & Financing Policies. In particular, we wish to focus on the current policy related to the Sewage Disposal Rate for Serviced Connections, which are currently set as follows:

- \$341.00 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit for all rating units which are connected to the sewage system, for the first two toilet pans (or equivalent such as urinals)
- \$341.00 per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit for all rating units which are connected to the sewage system for the third and each additional toilet pan (or equivalent such as urinals).

We consider that the current system needs to be reviewed particularly in relation to properties with multiple toilet pans because this flat charge system does not reflect actual use of wastewater services. Larger properties and in particular, accommodation providers are cross subsidising other users of the system by paying excessive charges.

2.0 Background

For the year ending June 30th 2012, The Martinborough Hotel will pay total annual rates of \$13,384.80 of which \$1,646.04 will be Greater Wellington Regional Council Rates. The balance of \$11,738.76 is SWDC rates broken down as follows:

| Martinborough Commercial | \$1,098.76 | 9.4% |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------|
| Uniform Annual General Charge | \$479.00 | 4.1% |
| Sewerage - serviced | \$8,525.00 | 72.6% |
| Water - serviced | \$1,270.00 | 10.8% |
| Refuse | \$127.00 | 1.1% |
| Reserves & Amenities | \$239.00 | 2.0% |

By comparison, for the year to June 30th 2009, total annual rates were \$9,671.90 and SWDC rates were \$8,047.25. Sewage rates accounted for \$5,550.

In 3 years, the annual contribution for sewage paid by The Martinborough Hotel has increased by \$2,975 or 54%.

The hotel has 2 water connections (each with its own water meter) and 25 toilet pans. In the year to June 30th 2012, water connections are charged at \$635 per connection and toilet pans are charged at \$341 each. In the year to June 30th 2009, the respective figures were \$500 and \$222 – increases of 27% and 54% respectively.

Although the sewage rate has increased by 54% in the 3 years, our room sales are 7.5% lower than in 2008-09.

Lower occupancy should mean lower demand for water and the production of less waste water and this is exactly what has happened. We are unable to compare exact water usage for the two periods

due to a lack of water meter data from the 2008-2009 period. However, we do know from the readings from one of the two meters that in the period from July 1st 2008 to 31st October 2009, 2,697 cu m of water was used or 5,526 litres per day. For the other meter (measuring use in the 7 garden rooms, laundry and garden), 160 cu m was used in the year to 30th June 2009 or an average of 438 litres per day. Applying the average daily usage to the 365 days to June 30th 2009, we can estimate that a total of 2,177 cu m was used or an average of 5,965 litres per day.

By comparison, the Hotel has used 1,879 cu m of water in the period from July 1^{st} 2011 to May 30^{th} 2012 and estimated usage for the year to June 30^{th} is estimated to be 2,053 cu m or 5,625 litres per day.

The total cost of water used at the hotel for the year to June 30th 2012 is estimated to be \$3,944 (after deducting the annual allowance of 300 cu m for each of the two water connections) calculated as follows:

| | Units | Price per unit | | Cost | |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------------|------|------|----------|
| Total chargeable water (cu m) | 1,453 | \$ | 1.84 | \$ | 2,674.25 |
| Water Connections - Rates | 2 | \$ | 635 | \$ | 1,270.00 |
| Total Cost | | | | \$ | 3,944.25 |

For the year to June 30th 2009, the cost is calculated as follows (after deducting the annual allowance of 450 cu m for each of the two water connections):

| | Units | Price | e per unit | Cost |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|------------|----------------|
| Total chargeable water (cu m) | 1,277 | \$ | 1.80 | \$ 2,299.00 |
| Water Connections - Rates | 2 | \$ | 500 | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Total Cost | | | | \$ 3,299.00 |

3.0 Is the 'Pan Tax" fair & equitable?

Based on the numbers above, it appears that there is no correlation between the charges for water used at The Martinborough Hotel and charges for discharge of waste water. The imposition of a 'pan tax' produces an arbitrary result which does not relate water consumed on the property to waste water produced.

Recent publicity has highlighted the growing opposition in other regions to this form of targeted rate.

In a NZ Herald article titled *Chain pulled on toilet tax* on May 23, 2012, it was stated *'Matamata-Piako's "pan tax" appears likely to be flushed before ratepayers have the chance to tell the council their views.*

The Matamata-Piako District Council is already promoting alternatives to the unpopular proposal to base wastewater charges on how many toilets non-residential properties have, and community groups have found flaws in the proposal.

The council has received an unprecedented 434 submissions to its long-term plan, and the majority of them oppose the pan tax plan'.

Another NZ Herald article titled *Holiday park slams toilet pan charges* on May 17 reported 'A holiday park paying toilet pan taxes of nearly \$13,000 a year says it is being unfairly treated by the Western Bay of Plenty District Council. Omokoroa Thermal Holiday Park argued that the number of pans did not accurately reflect its usage of the sewerage system.

Solicitor Brian Jones, speaking on behalf of the park's owners, told the council on Tuesday total rates were \$20,400 of which \$12,700 was for its 19 toilet pans.

He compared the park's occupancy rate of 26 per cent with Omokoroa's Accacia Park Rest Home and Hospital's 99 per cent occupancy. "The difference in actual use is readily apparent."

Mr Jones said compared with Accacia Park and Omokoroa Country Estate, the holiday park had to carry a huge rates burden which was "clearly unfair".

A March 2004 report titled *Tourism, Water, Wastewater and Waste Services in Small Towns* (A research project funded by the Ministry of Economic Development & Canterbury Development Corporation (ISSN 1175-5385)) included the following points, based on findings from studies in Kaikoura & Hanmer Springs:

- 'A common fault of rating systems is their reliance upon flat charges or charges unrelated to use
 of water, wastewater and solid waste services. Toilet pan numbers are used as a base for
 wastewater charges in many townships'(Executive Summary)
- 'Research at Kaikoura showed that there was no significant correlation between winter water consumption (which reflects wastewater production) and the number of pans for the commercial accommodation providers' (Executive Summary).
- 'Demand for water, sewerage & refuse services should be priced to reflect their true financial and environmental costs' (Executive Summary)
- 'The report recommends that cost allocation should apportion the costs of the service among the different customers in a non-arbitrary manner. It should avoid cross-subsidies and it should allocate the full private and social costs to users.' (Executive Summary).
- 'The principal requirements for improved rates and charges for these services include: greater use of unit pricing; and linking of wastewater charges to internal water used by each property'(Executive Summary).
- 'Volumetric pricing for water involves the installation of water meters, reading, billing and care
 of water meters. Discharged water (sewerage & stormwater) from properties is not metered but
 a correlation between water demand and wastewater discharge may allow a reasonable
 estimation of the amount of sewerage produced per property. Hunter Water Corporation
 (Australia) estimates an approximate 50% of water use as discharged water. Anglian Water
 International (UK) estimates 90% and Metrowater for Auckland estimates 77-79% but for the
 calculation of wastewater rates it uses 75% for residents and 100% for businesses'. (Section 6.1)
- 'The snapshot studies showed that internal water consumption and tourist industry wastewater production is related primarily to total guest nights within the serviced area'. (Section 6.1)
- 'Sewerage charges are uniform for households but for businesses they are dependent on the number of pans present. Wastewater production is highly correlated to interior water use and

this study found that the number of pans is a poor indicator for wastewater production'. (Chapter 8)

4.0 A More Equitable System is Needed

'Wastewater production is highly correlated to interior water use and this study found that that the number of pans is a poor indicator for wastewater production' (Tourism, Water, Wastewater and Waste Services in Small Towns).

As shown in Section 2, The Martinborough Hotel will pay a total of \$3,944 for the 2,053 cu m of water that it uses in the year to June 30th 2012. In addition, it will pay \$8,525 for disposal of that water as waste water due to the fact that a flat charge of \$341 is applied to each of the 25 toilet pans installed at the property.

Each cubic metre used at the property costs us \$1.92 to buy and a minimum of \$4.15 to discharge assuming that all water consumed on the property is discharged back into the system, although some of the water is used for irrigation etc.

As shown in Section 3 'a correlation between water demand and wastewater discharge may allow a reasonable estimation of the amount of sewerage produced per property. Hunter Water Corporation (Australia) estimates an approximate 50% of water use as discharged water. Anglian Water International (UK) estimates 90% and Metrowater for Auckland estimates 77-79% but for the calculation of wastewater rates it uses 75% for residents and 100% for businesses'. (Tourism, Water, Wastewater and Waste Services in Small Towns Section 6.1)

The Martinborough Hotel is paying 216% of water use as discharged water.

If SWDC is applying this formula to all users of the system, The Martinborough Hotel cannot claim it is being treated unfairly although we would argue that all of the users of the system are being overcharged compared to other regions in New Zealand and overseas.

However, we suspect that The Hotel is paying a disproportionate share if we compare our charges to a typical residential user with one water connection (and using no more than 300 cu m of water per annum) and two toilet pans in the house. That ratepayer will pay a total of \$635 for water rates and \$341 for wastewater. So the typical residential ratepayer will be paying 54% of water use for wastewater.

Properties with three toilet pans will pay \$682 for wastewater so they will pay 107% of water use for wastewater if they use no more than 300 cu m during the year.

5.0 An Alternative System?

We understand that SWDC has installed meters on all properties connected to the water and wastewater systems. Consequently, it has a reasonably accurate indication of water used on each property.

As stated in the *Tourism, Water, Wastewater and Waste Services in Small Towns* report "Volumetric pricing for water involves the installation of water meters, reading, billing and care of water meters. Discharged water (sewerage & stormwater) from properties is not metered but <u>a correlation</u>

between water demand and wastewater discharge may allow a reasonable estimation of the amount of sewerage produced per property.

The report also stated that 'the principal requirements for improved rates and charges for these services includes ... linking of wastewater charges to internal water used by each property.'

To avoid arbitrary charges for sewerage rates, we are of the opinion that the 'pan tax' should be dropped and that charges should be calculated based on actual water used as measured by the water meters. An allowance should then be made to reflect the type of property, taking examples from other regions & countries.

Residential waste water charges could be calculated on the basis of the greater of (a) 75% of actual water consumed (to allow for irrigation etc.) or (b) 75% of the water connection rates charges (ie number of connections X the current rate (\$635 per connection).

A similar approach could be used for urban businesses except that the multiplier may be 90 - 95% as it assumes that virtually all of the water used in the business will be discharged.

For accommodation providers such as The Martinborough Hotel, the multiplier should be between 75% and 90% as it is a hybrid between residential and business as it provides short term residential accommodation.

The rate could be charged as part fixed portion of say \$476 per property with a water connection (ie \$635 X 75%) and part variable, based on a unit price multiplied by 75% or the relevant percentage of the actual metered water consumed.

For example, The Martinborough Hotel would pay \$476 for wastewater as part of the annual rates calculation (instead of \$8,525) and would then be billed for between 75% and 90% (to be determined) of actual water used at the targeted wastewater rate per cubic metre of water supplied. It should be noted that an allowance would need to be made for the first tranche of between 225 cu m and 270 cu m of waste water (ie 300 cu m X 75%- 90%).

Invoicing for both water supply and wastewater could be done at the same time.

The *Tourism, Water, Wastewater and Waste Services in Small Towns* report recommends that cost allocation should apportion the costs of the service among the different customers in a non-arbitrary manner.

Only by moving away from the flat rate 'pan tax' will a fair cost allocation -related to actual usage - be achieved.

Mike Laven Task Holdings Limited May 31st 2012



5th June 2012

Jack Dowds South Wairarapa District Council PO Box 6 Martinborough 5741

Dear Jack.

Re: The Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust – LTP Plan Submission

Please accept this letter as a submission to the Draft Annual Plan 2012/13 for the South Wairarapa District Council.

The Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust has worked with businesses across the Wairarapa region since 2004. We work with these businesses and prospective employers to ensure they have the necessary skilled people to grow their operations and in turn support Wairarapa economic growth.

The activities we manage to achieve our goals vary and we have outlined some of these below.

The benefit we bring to the local community includes:

- Supporting young people into work;
- Assisting local business to negotiate employment processes and access funding streams to help them hire;
- Providing information to job seekers on available careers in the Wairarapa those whom without this information may leave the area;
- Working with schools to ensure they have the most accurate career guidance information from the local area.

Our work is aimed at ensuring we support "economic, cultural and community development".

The Trust works in conjunction with many complementary Wairarapa organisations to provide an encompassing and wide reaching service. The activities we run to achieve our goals include:

- Student perception surveys to garner our young people's opinions of working in the Wairarapa;
- Student and Industry Interactive Day where our students are able to try different careers and our businesses get to meet prospective employees;
- Apprentice and Trainee Graduations an opportunity for our trainees to shine and to advertise the wealth of employment opportunities in the Wairarapa.

Our organisation needs to be evolving, for example, as the economy changes so does our support. We are in contact with local businesses to determine what we need to be doing to help them and as such we will be embarking on some new projects this year.

Our submission is focused on issues that are relevant to the Trust and therefore, we have not addressed the other aspects of the plan.

To assist the Trust to continue to make a valued contribution to the Wairarapa it is requesting that the following investment be made collectively by the 3 District Council's of the Wairarapa with a breakdown as follows:

Masterton District Council - \$15,000

Carterton District Council - \$7,500

South Wairarapa District Council - \$7,500

We will be able to provide more detail as to the purposes of the investment when the project plan is completed. We have many specific examples we can talk to andwe would like to be heard on this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Lyn Patterson

Lyn Patterson

Chair of the Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust

Combined District Councils Elected Representative

Richmond Funeral Home Ltd

D & N Chew Funeral Directors (Peter & Jenny Giddens) 10 Richmond Road, Carterton

Phone 64 6 379-7616 - Fax 64 6 379-7624

24 hour personal service

6 June 2012

South Wairarapa District Council P.O. Box 6 Martinborough.

Re: LTP 2012/22 Revised/Proposed Cemetery fees.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission/comment on the proposed cemetery fees.

While a number of the revised fees and proposed new fees strongly indicate been copied directly from the Carterton District Council schedule of fees, I expect they do represent the true cost the South Wairarapa District Council requires to maintain the services they offer in the local cemeteries.

I would however like to comment on a couple of items:

1: Family interment Registration fee:

A new fee and I expect this relates to ashes and has been put in to cover those families that go and dig a hole and place ashes in a family plot themselves.

My understanding is that it is not allowable for anyone to dig a grave themselves and the present practise we follow and advise families of, is that, we make a booking with the council for the grave to be prepared, by submitting an interment notice and the interment of ashes fee paid. Families may then place ashes and fill in themselves.

To introduce this registration fee leaves yourself open to something we have been trying to control for years:

- o Ensuring correct plot is used
- Ensuring accurate records are kept
- o Knowing exactly where the ashes are buried ie not out in middle of lawn
- o Keeping control of the tiding up process after interment
- o And you may possibly have OSH issues as well?

If you intend to introduce this fee you need to have a strict set of rules around it.

2: Extra Depth fee -

A new fee and while charged by many cemeteries, most graves in the Martinborough and Greytown cemeteries would meet the Extra depth requirement as a norm.

It should be clear on the schedule of fees that Extra Depth is not available/possible in the Featherston Cemetery. To go from nil to \$255.00?

3: Out of District - No Resident Saturday.

I feel this fee is a bit of a "double dip' you have a non resident fee of \$777.00 and you add an additional amount to the Saturday overtime fee for Non resident seems a little hard to understand considering the physical costs to you are exactly the same. (This may occur once or twice a year)

Also note new to pricing schedule added 'No burials Public Holidays or Sundays' Are there any exceptions?

4: RSA

My understanding is that the plots for both burial and Ashes are Free (as stated) but the relevant interment fees apply ie:

Burial: \$665.00 and Ashes \$204.00

Overall I believe there is a need to regularly revise charges and small calculated rises based on facts and figures rather than big hikes like these proposals are more acceptable to the public.

Thank you for this opportunity and I would be very happy to meet and discuss any matters relating to this matter or anything relating to local cemeteries in the future should you wish to do so.

Yours sincerely

Richmond Funeral Home Ltd



Submission to: South Wairarapa District Council Long Term Plan From: Pukaha Mount Bruce Board

Support for the proposal to establish a Regional Amenities Fund.

The Pukaha Mount Bruce Board wishes to support the proposal to establish a Regional Amenities Fund.

- We note that the Colmar Research survey undertaken in early 2011 identified there was support from within the Wairarapa for the establishment of such a fund. A number of Wairarapa events and attractions were identified for potential support.
- The Wairarapa has a number of events and attractions that are unique and already form part of the wellbeing and attractiveness of the Wellington Region. Some of these events and attractions such as "Wings over Wairarapa" and Pukaha Mount Bruce already bring significant benefits to the region.
- With the broad regional support of this new fund existing and new events such as Wairarapa Arts Festival and the upgraded Cobblestones Museum could potentially benefit from this fund.
- Pukaha Mount Bruce would likely meet the criteria for support
- As an organisation, Pukaha Mount Bruce has the ability to provide a high level of
 positive publicity and marketing profile for the region, one of the criteria for the
 proposed fund.

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SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL **SUBMISSION FORM**

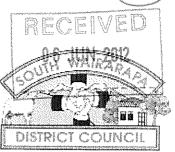


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To: Long Term Plan Submission South Wairarapa District Council

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| If your submission involves additional expenditure, how do you suggest it be funded? (please tick): |
| ☐ Increasing rates ☐ Increasing user charges |
| ☐ Reducing other expenditure ☐ Other The fund the others came from Perhaps use the one removed from Sandy Bay? |
| I would not (cross out which does not apply) like to discuss my submission with the Council when it meets to hear and deliberate on formal submissions on 18, 19 and 20 June 2012 (reserve day 20 June 2012), commencing at 9.30am each day. |

Please continue over

You may use the online form on our website www.swdc.govt.nz, or deliver your submission to the Council Administration Office, 19 Kitchener Street Martinborough, fax it to (06) 306 9373, e-mail it to LTP@swdc.govt.nz, or post it to Long Term Plan Submission, South Wairarapa District Council, P.O. Box 6 Martinborough. Please note submissions close and must be received by **5.00pm Friday 8 June 2012**.

Please continue your submission here:

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Please note:

- In accordance with the Privacy Act 1993, submissions will be available for viewing by Council and members of the public.
- Submissions will not be returned, so please keep a copy.
- Submissions must reach us no later than 5.00pm, Friday 8 June 2012.
- Council meetings to hear and deliberate on submissions will be open to the public, except as otherwise provided in the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Continue on separate sheets if required.

6 June 2012

South Wairarapa District Council Box 6 MARTINBOROUGH 5741

To The Mayor, C E O and Councillors

2012 ANNUAL SUBMISSION

- 1. PLACEMENT OF NEW BORE This should be in the adjacent area of the Humphries Street/Woodside intersection.
- 2. WATER/SEWERAGE rates higher in all towns than Martinborough Town Hall.
- 3. GREYTOWN PARK UPGRADE ALONG WITH PUBLIC TOILETS. These two items should also rate higher than they appear to do amongst your future projects. This town is on the main highway and has a high number of travelling public through it with a large weekend presence in the town all year round. The use of the toilets at the Town Centre building at the weekend indicates this need.
- 4. REGIONAL AMENITIES FUND There is no reason to be involved in this proposal as this Council cannot manage their present amenities so why take on further debt. The Mayor spoke of the divesting of amenities at the Greytown Public Meeting maybe this should be the time to start with the Martinborough Town Hall.
- 5. RATE INCREASES It was interesting to view your proposed increases over the next 10 years, amounting to over 35%. This is a most unfair indicative on your ratepayers, especially as this area has a large number of senior residents. The pressure your council is placing on these residents at \$50.00 plus a week (2012) is getting out of hand and should weigh heavy on your consciences. It would seem that it is the intention of both local and central government to turn us into a third world rate country. It is time for belt tightening should you wish to remain a viable council and cut your cloth accordingly. The more you increase rates the larger your debt will be with the non-payment for various reasons and the less amount of projects completed.
- 6. FUTURE LOCAL GOVERNMENT The uniting of the three present local District Council into one Unitary Local Government should progress and a severance to the Wellington Regional Council should happen. I would remind you one and all that Mother Nature has a mind of her own and no amount of money will alleviate the force of nature. Those that choose to live near rivers and coastal waters by their own choice do so at their own risk.



- 7. FARLEY'S OAK TREE I would appeal to the Council to consider the felling of this tree while it is in its present state rather than further demise. The timber from this tree could be used for something more useful and perpetual other than firewood. Trees do die regardless of the amount of care and attention they receive.
- 8. LEAVES This is my 5th time of asking for permission to off load the large quantity of oak leaves that I pick up on our property at 73 West Street, as we live on the east side of this tree it is a futile to sweep them out to the roadside gutter as they are only blown back onto the property one way or another. I would only require to take these leaves from March to September without any charge. I would appreciate your cooperation in this matter.
- 9. ALTERNATIVE FUNDING I would like to propose a scheme where ratepayers could invest in local government and use their investment to be discounted on their annual rate payment each year rather than they receive dividends until their sum of money has been used up. This would give you extra capital to use on projects and would only have to be repay the balance should the resident either sell their property, or die. The administration on this project would be minimal as their would only be a small number of participants at the beginning. 10 people paying the Council \$10,000 each allows a further \$100,000 with no interest, one project completed.

(Mrs) Jill Thomas

PLINOMAS.

73 West Street

GREYTOWN 5712

Draft Long Term Plan 2012/2022

To: Long Term Plan Submission South Walraraba District Council

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I made a submission to last year's LTCC requesting that consideration be made to having the council swimming pools entry free to children.

I was later informed that councillors had agreed to wait until the end of the 2011/12 swimming season before making a decision. This would enable an investigation of the result of the Carterton council pool's two seasons of free entry to see if this had made a significant difference in the number of young people using the facility.

I have not heard of this investigation being carried out.

Presuming that it has not happened I am re-submitting my request.

This summer I again took my grandchildren to the excellent Featherston pools on the hottest days during the school holidays. Again I found the complex greatly under utilised. On one day when the temperature was 28 and the pool temperature a warm 22 there were only four other swimmers. This in a town with over 400 children.

Why are there no swimmers?

On the face of it a dollar for a swim looks very reasonable, however when extended, say for a family with 3 children, this is \$3 a day or up to \$21 a week. To councillors this still may not seem a great amount, I can assure that at the present time there are a great many families who simply do not have this kind of money to spare.

Meanwhile our swimming statistics are cause for considerable concern:

Water Safety NZ statistics show:

Half of all 10 year olds can not swim 25 metres.

An average of 105 people drown in NZ every year (average over the last 5 years).

NZ has the highest number of drownings in the developed world.

Surely we should be doing all we can to encourage kids to swim, both for their own personal safety and as a good form of exercise.

The dollars

I note a prospective total expenditure on council pools for the current financial year of \$256,000 with the estimated income against this of \$25,000. The income is hardly even a drop in the expenditure bucket – (and I will be surprised if even this amount has been achieved).

Given that Council is prepared to spend a quarter of a million dollars a year on providing pools it obviously considers these worth while amenities. However if at the same time trying to recoup a tiny percentage of this money through entry fees results in few using the pools, one has to wonder what's the point?

If next to nobody are using the pools they may as well be closed and save a heap of money – and I'm not advocating that!

I note that the Auckland Super City Council recently decided to make the city pools free to under 16 year olds

Mike Beckett.

Three years ago I returned to Featherston and became a user of that library. The immediate impression was of the completely inadequate area of the adult section of the library.

In 1896, thanks to the generosity of the Matthews family, a debt free library was opened. It served a mere 83 subscribers with a selection of 350 books. Who among them would have thought that over a century later the same small library was trying to serve a town at least six times bigger?

Over the years rather than be expanded in line with the ever increasing number of subscribers, the shelf area has actually lessened. A section of shelves under the front window had to be removed to accommodate a newspaper reading stand. (This stand was previously in the 'Reading Room' – now the children's section). More recently another section was removed to make way for the free public computers. Another to accommodate the copier.

Three short free standing shelves were added in the centre. However the room was not designed to accommodate these, the result being very narrow aisles in which it is impossible for two people to pass. Indeed where the computers are installed if the users happen to be a bit chubby, which seems to be quite a regular situation, it's very difficult to access the centre isle behind where they are sitting.

As far as the staff are concerned the congested library must be a very difficult workplace (I hasten to add that they have never said as much to me). There is so little room for the trolley used for replacing returns to the shelves that it completely blocks the aisle. The 'office' is a postage stamp sized cubby hole. And the serving desk so tiny, and with only one console, it is often a bottle neck.

This particularly so when a person is making Council enquiries or carrying out other council business, which can be time consuming. People back up and there is precious little standing room between the desk and the front door. Clearly to give reasonable service, both for library users and District Council clients, a larger desk is required with two consoles. Equally clearly, there is no room for this.

Along with being inconvenient for borrowers and a difficult place to work the area of shelving is totally inadequate to house the number of books required to provide a reasonable selection for the population it serves. The shelves are crammed tight with books - the librarian could not squeeze

another in. However the selection is, by necessity, is well below the other South Wairarapa towns - which have far smaller populations.

To illustrate this the number of books carried by five popular authors and biographies were looked up on the Library Service catalogue:

Lynda La Plante

Martinborough 16 Greytown 10 Featherston 6

Cathy Kelly

Martinborough 9 Greytown 9 Featherston 2

Clive Cussler

Martinborough 29 Greytown 39 Featherston 7

Ian Rankin

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Biographies *

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*The library service lists a total of over 1,000 biographies. The numbers quoted above are a representation using the titles starting with A and B.

There is no doubt that Featherston's library needs to be expanded rather urgently. There is also no doubt that there is no money available. However all is not lost.

The solution:

Happily the solution will require only a negligible amount of money – but **will** require some diplomatic negotiation.

The library's twin building, the former Court House, is currently greatly under utilised. The Information Centre in the former Court Room is only open in the mornings and I have been told by one of the volunteers that they are hardly rushed off their feet. The former Judge's Chambers are currently occupied by the Toy Library and appears to be seldom open.

Much better use would be made of the historic building if the Information Centre was relocated to the Judges Rooms with the former Court room becoming the Children's Library.

Pamphlets and information pertaining to Featherston and district could easily be accommodated in the smaller area. (Most of the material currently on view is of other New Zealand attractions).

This, of course, leaves the Toy Library homeless. My suggestion is to approach the Play Centre to see if the library could be incorporated with it's

activities. As the two organisations are serving the same group – the children – it would seem a logical fit. It would also be more convenient for parents who would be able to borrow and return toys much more frequently than currently appears the case.

A second scenario which would arguably be more logical – but probably harder to 'sell':

Leave the Toy Library where is but have the Information Centre merge with the Heritage Museum. The Museum is, like the Info Centre, short of volunteers. Merging the two groups would provide the numbers to have the combined Museum/Info Centre open all day.

The Toy library and Children's library sharing the same building would seem a logical situation.

Other configurations for relocating both groups come to mind - and there are, no doubt, even more which could be well worth exploring. However, at the present, the two listed above seem to me to be a good starting point towards discussion on finding a solution.

The only real cost would be the providing of an extra staff member. As they say 'If there's a will there's a way', either by some juggling of staff or having a new position subsidised by the current WINZ scheme – there are some very qualified suitable people on their books these days. Or even some other way.

The one thing that is certain; it is well time that the Featherston Library problem was put on the agenda.

Mike Beckett

----Original Message----

From: Richard Clark [mailto:kiwicafe@me.com]
Sent: Wednesday, 6 June 2012 4:53 p.m.

To: Suzanne Clark - Committee Secretary

Subject: Rates submission

as I sit in bed on a wet Wairarapa day I am reminded of the difficulties in negotiating the paths and ramps around Featherston. I was recently diagnosed with MND, sold my car and bought a PowerChair. I have begun to explore and photograph the area from a fresh perspective. Unfortunately I am going to need a more powerful, 4x4, wheelchair. The navigation of the footpaths are a challenge and need to have councillors spend a day in someone else's shoes. NZ needs a fresh look at those rules and regulations that govern mobility challenged people. Just my thoughts today, feel free to ask for a tour of the challenges, sincere regards, Richard Clark Sent from my iPad



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To: Long Term Plan Submission

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Greytown Community Sport and Leisure Society seeks in this submission to bring to the notice of the South Wairarapa District Council some concerns for now and to offer a view to the future of sport and leisure activities in our town.

| Community Outcome | How the Amenities Activity Contributes |
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| Healthy & Economically secure people | By providing amenities to assist active communities |
| Sustainable South Wairarapa | By Providing amenities which are sustainably managed |

From the table on pg 58 of the LTP draft

From a March 2012 meeting of the Users of the Park we have some requests of the Council for the Annual Plan. These points were made to the Greytown Community Board and are detailed now.

Soldiers Memorial Park, Kuratawhiti Street, Greytown

• Maintenance and Development Planning: There is a Park Management Plan (August 2007) but no Maintenance Plan (Amenities Activity Program of Works pg 58) for routine tasks and upkeep or a Development Plan for the future.

A Maintenance Plan that talks of more than general overviews but sets out in specific terms what will be done and when and by whom in each area of maintenance required. We ask that the new amenities maintenance contract to be let in 2012/13 is written after consultation with the groups using those amenities.

Parker users will then know which tasks are their responsibility and which tasks are those of the Council/Council contractor.

Set down items such as more frequent mowing of the grass in spring, checking gutters pre and post autumn leaf fall, maintenance of the pool machinery in the off season, potholing the carpark, painting, trimming trees, keeping the equipment and safety surfaces of the children's playground up to standard.

All the Council facilities, from the offices in Martinborough to the rural toilet blocks should have a maintenance plan. This will help to reduce long term maintenance and upkeep costs.

A Development Plan that has long term planning for upgrading and redeveloping the facility as well as a vision of what could be done.

The local football club is a victim of its own success in that there is not sufficient field space in Greytown to cater for all their teams. There are also not enough changing rooms.

- Maintenance Plan for the Avenue of Trees and other notable trees at Soldiers Park. There needs to be a documented plan for the replacement of trees as they reach the end of their life with the help of the Friends of the Park.
- Maintenance and Upgrade of the Swimming Pool: It is pleasing to see the Council has
 undertaken a study of the condition of the pool and its machinery to find out the costs
 involved in bringing the facility back to standard with a much more conducive water
 temperature.

The swimming pool has been an asset to the town and should be again. Greytown is bounded by three rivers.

Learning to swim is a life skill, not just part of sport, that old and young alike should be able to access. Often those who don't are those unable to travel to learn for lack of transport or money. Rivers are not good places for those without waterskills and supervision.

The Greytown Primary School pool can cater for the young children; the older pupils go to the Kuratawhiti Street pool for lessons. Kuranui College, the college of the South Wairarapa has no pool facility.

Visitors to the neighbouring Camping Ground are major users of the pool. These family groups bring in considerable business to the town.

Greytown has an older population and demographic predictions say this will continue. Non load bearing exercise as part of Green Prescriptions and just staying mobile is important in enhancing the lives of residents.

- The Public Toilet block is in a dire state. It needs to be replaced/upgraded. The Toilets cannot be just removed because users of the children's playground, picnickers, campers and those playing sport on the Open Space need facilities closer than the Main Street.
- Parking under the Memorial trees on Kuratawhiti Street: There is a need for more parking at the Park for Saturday Sport and events.
 Replace the low pole fence with Bollards out 9m towards the road and a hard surface of concrete or synthetic blocks that lets water through and grass to grow on top.

Winter conditions make it imperative that there are hard surfaces that will keep feet dry, protect the ground around the roots of the trees and at the same time not be a magnet for hoons in cars.

- Parking in front of Swimming Pool: Trim the conifers on the eastern edge to increase parking spaces
- Gate adjacent to the Cricket nets requires a padlock to prevent access by unauthorised vehicles to the Park Open Space.
- **Provision of Rubbish bins** there are at present 2 bins almost invisible in the avenue of trees and in the winter inaccessible.

Long Term Planning For Greytown

Planning for the future will always have uncertainties but it should be attempted anyway so that planning considerations are made and there is a base to work from. Whether the Council remains autonomous, part of a Wairarapa setup or part of a super city set up planning must start now

From a sport and leisure perspective

Population growth - does the district want to attract more residents and promote it as a
desirable place to live? Will the people have families who want to participate in sport and

- recreational activities? As house sections become smaller and jobs less physical, people are looking to more recreational activity, both structured and unstructured.
- **Planning considerations** will be required not only for housing, roading and infrastructure but also with regard to sport and leisure facilities and open green spaces.
- What sport and leisure facilities should be expanded, developed or added.
 A central complex housing different codes of sport plus community groups? Walking/cycling tracks? Indoor pool that will cater to the new water sports and all age groups? Wheel bowl for the youth?
- Sport and Leisure Officer at the Council dedicated to deal with all the issues surrounding the district's clubs, grounds, sporting facilities, equipment, plans; and to liaise with the volunteers and other bodies including Sport Wellington/Wairarapa and regional associations as required. Initially this could be a part time position. Having such a person would demonstrate Council's commitment to the stated outcomes.

Developing Sport and Leisure in Greytown

In Greytown, there has been discussion of the development of a Community and Sports
Complex at the Soldiers Memorial Park with the acquisition of additional land. This would
free up the present rugby and bowling grounds to be developed for housing. The complex
could be a central point for community and sports groups to share resources, knowledge,
skills without necessarily amalgamating into a multi-sport organisation.

The Old Stella Bull Park at the south end of Greytown was being promoted in 1972 as the future sports complex of the town. If it is no longer going to be so, the land should be sold and the proceeds used to fund a complex that sport, recreation and community groups could all use.

The overall aim would be to have high quality facilities that will encourage and lead to increased participation in both community and sporting activities. Additional sports such as squash, table tennis, basketball, volleyball, indoor cricket could be offered in our district.

There are successful examples of this type of complex at Upper Moutere and Murchison, and more underway at Fraser Park, Alex Moore Park (Johnsonville) and Petone.

(Murchison is a town of 850 people who, after 5 years of fundraising, opened a \$3.5m community centre in 2008 of which \$1m was raised by the community and \$2.5m provided by the Council).

Development of a sport and leisure community complex needs to be done in a planned way rather than on an ad hoc basis.

While funding is a critical factor when considering plans for the future, it should not deter the community from establishing a wishlist in a long term plan.

- 2. **An upgrade to a covered/indoor Greytown Pool** possibly a linked development to the above. With an ageing population, a pool becomes an important community asset.
- 3. **Creation of a walkway/cycleway to link** all three towns in the South Wairarapa District and with the Rimutaka walkway/cycleway.

The number of road/offroad/mountain bikes seen in Greytown each weekend being ridden or on the backs of cars would indicate that the district is very accessible to city dwellers looking for a break and in doing so bringing revenue into our towns.

At least 2 Wellington road cycling clubs hold their club events in the South Wairarapa because of suitable roads and ease of access.

- 4. Provision for the youth of our population be it skateboards, bmx bikes or roller skates. Whichever piece of apparatus is in vogue, the youth need somewhere they can let off some energy, pursue their passion and be safe doing so. With housing subdivisions having much smaller sections than twenty years ago, they is barely enough room to bounce a basketball and shoot a hoop, let alone ride a skateboard. The front area of the Town Centre with its railings and steps is not the ideal place for them to hang out.
- 5. **Development of more open spaces** with particular emphasis as and when housing development occurs

A list of facility improvements that will make the community a better place to live in will help achieve the desired outcomes.

Having a physically active and healthy population goes a long way to achieving the outcomes of the Long Term Plan.

Lois Pitt

Chairperson
Greytown Community Sport & Leisure Society

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8 June 2012

Submissions on Draft Long Term Plan 2012 - 2022 South Wairarapa District Council; PO Box 6 MARTINBOROUGH 5741

Dear Sir or Madam

South Wairarapa Draft Long Term Plan 2012 - 2022

Please find attached the NZ Transport Agency's submission on the draft Long Term Plan 2012 - 2022. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Rawles on Ph (04) 910 8199 or susan.rawles@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Hookham

Planning & Investment Manager, Central



Submission on the South Wairarapa District Council's Long Term Plan 2012-22

To: Long Term Plan Submission

South Wairarapa District Council

PO Box 6

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From: NZ Transport Agency

PO Box 5084 Lambton Quay WELLINGTON 6145

1. The NZ Transport Agency

The NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) is a Crown Entity set up to contribute to an affordable, integrated, safe, responsive and sustainable land transport system as set out in the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA). The NZTA does this through four main functions:

- · Planning the land transport network;
- Investing in land transport infrastructure;
- Managing the state highway network; and,
- Providing access to and use of the land transport system.

When undertaking its functions, the NZTA must:

- Exhibit a sense of social and environmental responsibility, including avoiding to the
 extent reasonable in the circumstances, adverse effects on the environment; and,
- Give effect to the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport Funding (GPS).

2. Long Term Plans

The NZTA seeks that all Long Term Plans (LTPs) are:

- Aligned with each council's approved plans and strategies (such as the district plan);
- Consistent with the region's draft Regional Land Transport Programme (RLTP); and
- Compatible with government transport priorities particularly as set out in the GPS.

3. Consistency with the draft Regional Land Transport Programme

The NZTA notes that the programme put forward for inclusion in the RLTP aligns with the LTP and that the South Wairarapa District Council (SWDC) has sufficient local share to deliver its land transport programme.

4. Levels of Service

The NZTA is supportive of maintaining current levels of service on roads, but signals that this is not sustainable in future years, as the GPS does not show any increase in funding for local road maintenance, operations or renewals for 2012 - 2022.



5. General

Please ensure the LTP consistently refers to the NZTA and does not refer to Transfund (page 67 - refers to Transfund subsidy).

The LTP states at page 63 that the subsidy for seal extensions has been removed indefinitely. This is inaccurate. While the SWDC would not get funding for seal extensions for amenity purposes, funding is available for seal extensions where this would be more cost effective than maintaining an unsealed road.

The NZTA notes that the SWDC's asset management plan (AMP) got a qualified audit and may have to be revised. Please advise the NZTA of the status of the AMP and whether any changes have been made as a result of the audit.

6. The NZTA does not wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Dated at Wellington this 8h day of June 2012.

Peter Hookham

Planning & Investment Manager, Central

Pursuant to a delegation from the Chief Executive of the New Zealand Transport Agency.

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Submission to the South Wairarapa District Council Annual Plan and Draft Long Term Plan

From the Friends Of The Park

As some Councillors will be aware the Friends have for some years had a small sum set aside for necessary work in O'Connors Bush. Latterly we have not spent more than about \$500 but it is helpful to know that in an emergency we can spend more. We do need to have exotics and also broken branches of the natives cut and laid on the bush floor. This needs to be done by a registered contractor and would have to be paid for. We ask that the sum of \$1500 continue to be included in the annual Plan for use of the Friends when needed.

We would like to be heard on this matter

alisoun Werry Convenor

Submission on Speed limits on roads in Greytown.

Alison Werry

I wish the Council to reconsider the speed limits on the two roads going west from the main Highway in Greyton, Kuratawhiti St and Wood Street and also the connecting road, Hawke St. Hawke Street and a portion of Kuratawhiti Street are gravel roads and all are becoming increasingly urban as more houses are built there. They are all very popular places for walkers, runners and people exercising dogs. I am not suggesting that there should be footpaths but it would make it both safer and pleasanter if there was a 50 k speed limit. North Street which has a similar mix of houses and paddocks is a 50 k area and it would seem sensible for all roads to be the same.

I do not wish to be heard



WAIRARAPA HEALTHY HOMES PROJECT

ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSION SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Introduction

South Wairarapa District Council is invited to continue to provide support for the Wairarapa Healthy Homes Project in the 2012/13 financial year at a level the same as the past 6 years ie a \$12,000 grant.

This project is now completing its eighth year and has assisted with the installation of energy efficiency retrofit measures into nearly 1,500 targeted Wairarapa homes. The community funding has been leveraged with the Energy Efficiency & Conservation Authority (EECA's) EnergyWise home grants scheme to deliver the retrofit measures to those who need them most in our community.

The homes targeted have met criteria, which include residents with health needs and/or low income. The community funding has allowed the retrofitting of the homes to be done at little or no cost to the residents. We believe there is a continuing need in our community that will ensure those with low incomes and high health needs can benefit from a healthy home retrofit. We are again seeking the Council's support to assist with the community funding component of the project for the next 12 month period.

Background

The Wairarapa Healthy Homes Project (WHHP) was set up in 2004 as a result of a common desire of a number of local organisations to improve the health and economic position of Wairarapa residents through the facilitation of an energy efficiency home retrofit project. Similar projects have been rolled out around the country since then and central government support has seen the targeted EECA scheme expanded and their subsidy rate increase from 40% to 60%.

Energy efficiency retrofits involve installing measures such as insulation (ceiling & under-floor), weather proofing and hot water cylinder wraps into homes to make them warmer, drier, healthier and less costly to heat. The project has targeted the homes of people most in need and has utilised referrals from social agencies – ie individuals and families who will receive the most benefit. The local community funding aspect is essential in assisting those families who are less able to afford the measures.

There is strong research to show the relationship between poorly insulated houses and illness, lost productivity, lost education opportunities and health system costs.

After houses are insulated, they are warmer and drier and there is a significant improvement in the health of the occupants. People reported taking fewer sick days off work and school, and having fewer GP and hospital visits. Hospital admissions for respiratory conditions also decreased.

The attached financial report shows the range of organisations that have contributed to the community funding over the first eight years of the project. Those organisations are represented on the WHHP steering group which oversees the project.

The community funding is held and co-ordinated by Masterton District Council. The retrofit work has been contracted to the Wairarapa branch of EnergySmart. During the last 12 months EnergySmart's owners, the Hutt-Mana Charitable Trust encountered operational problems and put the company into receivership. The receivers continued to operate the business and sold it in October 2011 to Terra Lana, an insulation manufacturing company based in Christchurch.

Terra Lana have recognised the strength of the Wairarapa branch, have retained the operation and they have continued to deliver retrofits for WHH for the contracted pricing and with continued access to EECA funding.

Going forward into the 2012/13 year Terra Lana have put up a proposal to the WHH steering committee that simplifies the basis on which the WHH funds are allocated.

Project Proposal 2012/13

From 1 July 2012 installers can only access EECA funding at 60% if there is 3rd party funding (eg WHH) available. Terra Lana are proposing a model with a flat WHH subsidy per home and where Terra Lana also provide a level of subsidy.

Currently the cost of a retrofit to WHH will vary depending on the house area and whether it is owned or tenanted (ie landlords have been required to pay 34% of the costs). The average cost of the measures, per home in the last 10 months has been \$3,680 + GST. The average subsidy from EECA has been \$2,208 +GST per home or 60%. The average owner/landlord cost has been \$770 +GST per home, leaving WHH funding an average of \$702 per home. However, this can vary from \$250 for a tenanted home to up to \$2,000 for a larger owner/occupier home.

Terra Lana have proposed a flat costing model based on an average house size and cost per square metre (with EECA accepted pricing applying). WHH funding would be fixed per home and any variation in area or costs would be absorbed by Terra Lana. With \$106,400 of WHH funding, they propose retrofitting 188 homes at an average cost to the WHH project of \$566 + GST. Home owners and landlords will still be required to contribute a portion of the costs of the work.

If there is additional WHH funding available, other retrofit installers will be given the opportunity to access the WHH subsidy on behalf of their customers. Further details of the exact contribution needed from owners and landlords remains to be worked through.

Summary

Our target for the next 12 months (to 30 June 2013) is for at least 188 Wairarapa homes to be completed. Meeting that target is dependent on there being sufficient community funding available. We believe the changes to the funding model will enable the WHH funding to benefit more Wairarapa families than ever.

We appreciate the support of South Wairarapa District Council in providing \$96,000 of the funding for this very successful community project over the last eight years.

Should you have any queries or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me. I will present to the Council in the time slot allocated for another submission I am presenting.

Mr R. C. (Bob) Francis
Chairman of Wairarapa Healthy Homes Project Steering Group