

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

20 FEBRUARY 2013

AGENDA ITEM D3

INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES GROUP REPORT

Purpose of Report

To update Councillors on the Infrastructure and Services Group activities.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information.*

1. Consents

1.1 Wastewater

Further progress has been made with consent acquisition processes at the three WWTP sites.

1.2 Martinborough

Following the Regional Council acceptance of the new consent application submitted on December 5th 2012 and taking note that further information is needed the Regional Council has agreed to extend the time limit for public notification to 30 June 2013.

This will enable Council to consolidate its current in river studies, future land treatment options and review the technology aimed at providing the incremental improvement to river discharge quality that will be required in the early stages of a new consent.

1.3 Featherston

Council officers and advisors re-submitted to the application and associated requests prior to 24 December 2012.

The Regional Council have since asked that additional consent applications are submitted for discharge to land and until this is achieved the application remains on hold.

1.4 Greytown

This consent expired in March 2008. The new application was submitted and accepted in January 2008 subject however to a number of requests for additional information.

In 2010 officers decided to proceed with a revised consent application. Whilst has been subject to a series of unexpected delays we expect to be able to respond before April 2013.

1.5 Strategy Overall

Efforts are now to be applied to undertaking more in depth assessment of adjacent land that might be available (Council owned land included) for land treatment in the future for all sites

The consenting strategy agreed with the Regional Council aims to notify Martinborough and Featherston at the same time with the Greytown application to be dealt with separately.

1.6 Water

All water take consents have been renewed and are up to date. There have been consent conditions triggered from the new Martinborough consent that was granted in November last year. As this is a new (renewed) consent some of the conditions on monitoring and information have changed. Council will put in place more automated measures around these processes over the next year.

1.7 Coastal

Consents for coastal works are underway, these are both respective and for new works required. Meetings have been held with NZTA on site as well as regional Council and Spire, Council's road consultant.

1.8 Land Fill Consent

The Martinborough landfill consent application is still in progress.

1.9 Wastewater

Greytown, Martinborough and Featherston Wastewater treatment plants operated routinely over the period. Normal monitoring for flow and compliance reporting continued throughout the period with no non-compliance issue reported.

9 pipeline blockages were reported and rectified during the period.

1.9.1 Capital

Planning and delivery for capital work will be initiated this year at all sites when the consent acquisition processes progress to a point where there is certainty of agreed environmental outcomes be.

1.10 Water Supply

Martinborough and the Featherston/Greytown Water Treatment Plants operated routinely throughout the period.

An incident report for a transgression to the Martinborough water supply in December has been forwarded to DWA and MoH. No fault identified, thought to be a laboratory testing error.

There was a 12 hour power supply outage at the UF treatment plant early January. There was a risk of compromising the Featherston water supply. The

situation was handled without incident. Council officers are to have discussions with Meridian about prioritising power supply to this plant.

Community water usage records and trending is attached for Council's information in Appendix 1. Addition of rainfall has been added as per council request.

1.10.1 Capital

The Capital Assistance Funding application continues to be developed ready for submission at the end of February.

1.11 Water Races

City Care Ltd has been performing the routine inspections of the water race network since October 2012. Resulting from these inspections a number of land owners have been advised to do maintenance cleaning of the water race on their property particularly in the Longwood scheme. Satisfactory flows have been maintained through both networks over the summer months.

1.12 Waste Management

Operations continued on a routine basis throughout the period. Waste export and recycling tonnage data for the period is attached in Appendix 2.

1.13 E-Waste Collection Region Wide and Kerbside Waste Audit

Officers in order to consider moving forward either on its own or in association with CDC in order to get a programme underway are awaiting a further specific response from Earth-care Environmental.

The results from the recent kerbside waste audit have been made available and will be the subject of a separate report.

2. Roding

2.1 Roding Maintenance – Oldfield Asphalts

Routine grading, pothole repairs, and signs maintenance is satisfactory.

Most of Oldfield's work over the past month has been in preparation for resealing. These works have included pavement dig out repairs, repair of broken edges and filling depressions.

Now that the reseal preparation is complete Oldfield's are carrying out pavement and drainage repairs on White Rock Rd which will be followed by repair of slumped areas on the Hinakura Hill.

3. Parks and Reserves

3.1 City Care Contract

The general level of maintenance is satisfactory although berm mowing is causing quite a bit of concern amongst residents. City Care has yet to learn which berms will be maintained by residents and which ones they need to cut regularly.

City Care have also undertaken ordered work and dayworks over the holiday period responding promptly to requests to provide extra litter collection and servicing of toilets through to drainage repairs at Dorset Square and safety improvements at playgrounds.

4. Property and Facilities

4.1 Properties

Martinborough Library – The library continues to operate via the temporary Portacom. Despite some delays in the negotiations, we still expect to move to the new library (6 Kitchener St, behind the Village Café) at the end of February. Fit-out works are now underway.

4.2 Pensioner housing

All pensioner flats were tenanted as of 31 January 2013. The occupancy rate for the 2012/13 year to date is 96%. There are 12 people on the waiting list for flats. We have done some minor repairs on flats in Martinborough and Featherston, and purchased a new stove for one of the Featherston flats.

4.3 Cemeteries

In December there was one burial, at Featherston, and one ashes interment at Martinborough.

4.4 Pools

	Greytown	Featherston	Martinborough
January swimmer numbers	1250	666	1268
Change from previous month	↑ 47.2%	↑ 25.9%	↑ 97.2%
Concessions as % age of total swimmers	23.5%	29.1%	16.2%
Peak day	06-01-13 : 128	30-01-13 : 77	20-01-13 : 107
Number of unattended days (no swimmers)	1	2	1

There was one incident at Greytown pool where a child fell off the slide. One complaint was received from a member of the public about pool opening hours – that the pool (Greytown) should remain open longer in the evening so that working people are able to use it.

4.5 Leases and Licenses

Old Stella Bulla Park –the availability of the land on the north side of Pierce St makes possible the development of a dog park for Greytown, and this is being costed for a future report to Council.

Current expired leases/building vacancies include:

- Stella Bull Park Building – the short lease for the art exhibition has concluded and a new tenant is being sought. Several queries have been received but no proposals have yet resulted.
- Greytown Town Centre Upstairs Office – the office vacated by Rightway remains vacant. This space has been advertised however no interest has yet been received.

Pain Farm Homestead – the tenants have indicated that they will not renew after the expiry of the current lease at the end of April 2013. Public tenders will be called shortly.

4.6 Toilets

The new toilets at Cape Palliser and East-West access road have been completed. The new Martinborough toilets are expected to be completed in February. Featherston toilets are being vandalised every evening – generally just mess with toilet paper. A fire was set in the toilet paper holder, which was fortunately found and extinguished by the arriving cleaner – the plastic toilet paper holders will now be replaced with stainless steel units

5. Civil Defence and Emergency Management

There are 3 Civil Defence Centres being set up in the South Wairarapa. i.e Greytown (Town Hall), Featherston (ANZAC Hall) and once the plans have been completed the three teams will receive training. Martinborough (Lions Club) their respective team leaders are Mike Gray, Colin Olds and Karen Stephens.

Featherston has completed their plan and Greytown and Martinborough are currently developing there's and these are progressing well. Paul Walker has commenced equipping the centres with basic items but expects that to grow over time.

There is an Incident Management team in Martinborough based in the Council with Mark Allingham, Kara McKelvey, Keith Sexton and Bill Sloan and other council representatives that would have a role during an event like roading, water etc.

On Wednesday 6 February 2013 a Tsunami warning was issued. This highlighted the need for clear processes for the newly established civil defense units in each town. More work will be done on this in the coming month.

6. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Monthly Water Usage

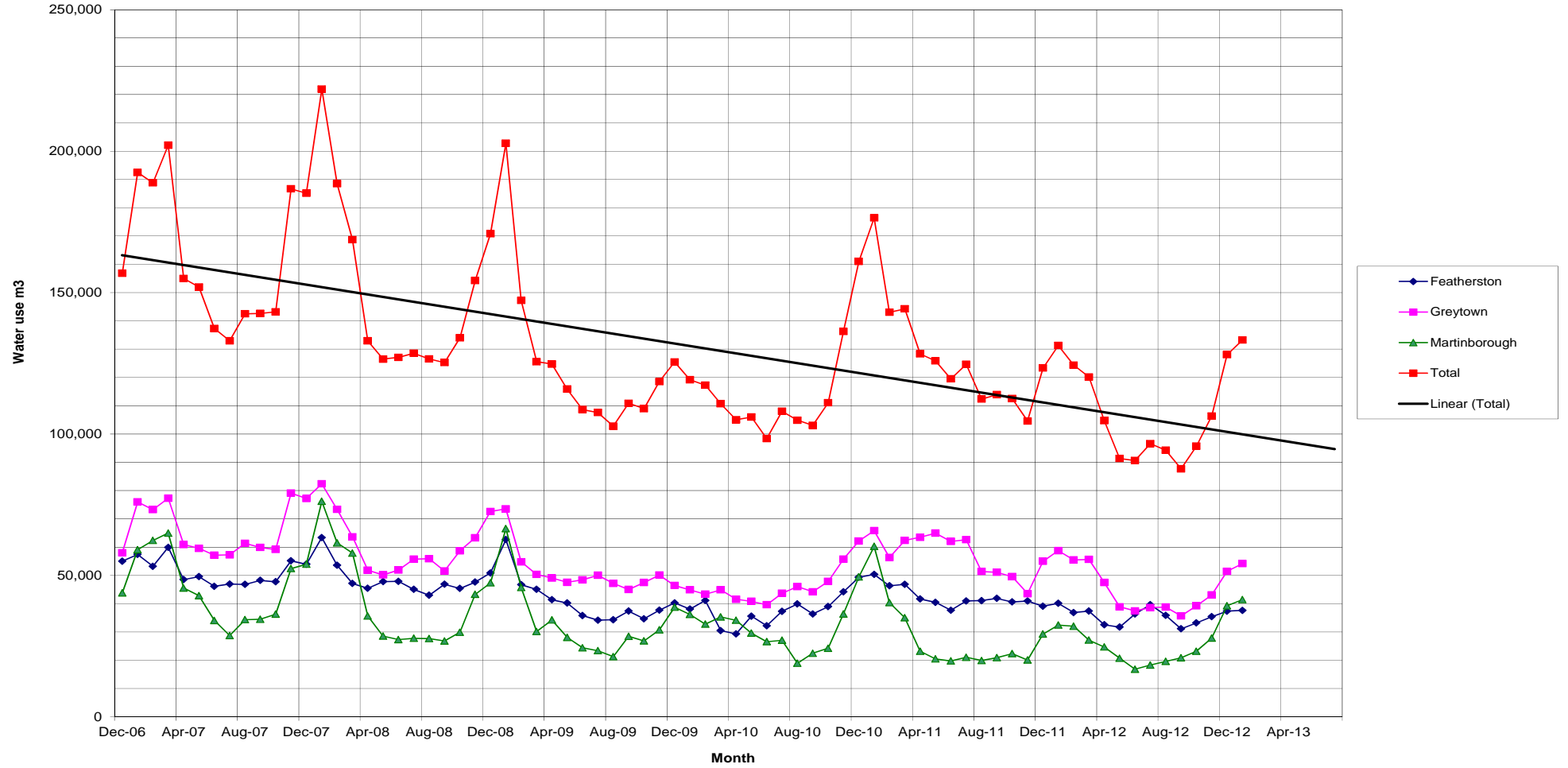
Appendix 2 – Waste Exported to Bonny Glen Including Recycling

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Appendix 1 – Water Usage

Water use South Wairarapa District Council



**Appendix 2 – Waste
Exported to Bonny Glen
Including Recycling**

Monthly weight of waste transferred from Martinborough transfer station to Bonny Glen

