

SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL

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AGENDA ITEM D6

REPORT ON FOOTPATH FORWARD WORKS PROGRAMME 2010-2013

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to report on the footpath forward works programme.

Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Council:

1. *Receive the information.*

1. Executive Summary

In 2010 the Council engaged Wairarapa Workforce Development Trust in conjunction with Year 12 students from Kuranui College to undertake a condition survey of all footpaths and determine where new footpaths should be located.

Council also engaged Bri-Ken to review council's footpaths in the RAMM Database, updating the footpath types, location lengths and conditions.

From the condition survey it was possible to identify hazards on the existing footpaths e.g. tripping, overhanging vegetation that need to be remedied. A priority list for the renewal of existing footpaths based on the condition of the footpaths was compiled and now reviewed.

2. Background

A safe footpath network is an important infrastructure asset in the South Wairarapa District, enabling residents of all ages to move safely around the townships while at the same time reducing the dependence on motor vehicles for local transport.

The works programs have been reviewed over the past 3 years being adapted as required annually to deliver these works. These amendments were based on other works programs and the efficiencies that can be gained as well as shifting priorities.

New footpaths are constructed where there are no footpaths. The Council's policy is to provide a footpath on one side of each road unless there are special reasons why there should be footpaths on both sides. These special reasons might include high traffic volumes, high number of pedestrians, for example next to a school, traffic hazards such as poor visibility to cross the road. Once there is one footpath on every road the Council may start constructing second footpaths down each road. New footpaths are constructed using concrete because they have a longer life and can be fully repaired in short sections over its life.

The location of new footpaths is determined by assessing the need and looking at where they are required to form a pedestrian network to get around the communities and go to key destinations. This is done by involving the community, particularly those involved with people who are more likely to use footpaths and those most at risk of accidents such as children and the elderly.

3. Discussion

3.1 Hazard Results

The existing footpaths in the district are generally in good condition with relatively few hazards, as a result of renewal of many of the worst footpaths in recent years. Councils repair program has been dynamic due to the changing conditions over the past 3 years.

3.2 Footpath Renewal

The condition survey found relatively few defects with relatively low defect percentage.

However there have been some footpaths originally listed as defects that due to age and condition were replaced rather than repaired or where a section of new path was required abutting an aged section the new work and renewal was done concurrently to upgrade an entire section.

3.3 New Footpaths

The new footpaths recommended from the survey are listed in Appendix 2 showing what was completed and not with accompanying reason. The annual budget of \$86,000 will enable construction of about 770m of new footpath at about \$112 per linear metre.

3.4 Financial Considerations

Council's footpath renewal budget is \$43,000 and the budget for new footpaths is \$86,000. There will be budgeted money carried forward for the 12/13 year to the 13/14 year in both renewal and new footpaths due the 12/13 years works not being fully complete.

3.5 Other

Where the Council provides a footpath, it is morally obligated to maintain it in a safe condition.

4. Supporting Information

4.1 Existing Policy

The Council's policy on footpaths is to construct one footpath on each street before constructing a second. The recommendations in this report are not consistent with this policy in that it is proposed that second footpaths be installed on busy or main roads or adjacent to facilities for at-risk pedestrians.

5. Appendices

Appendix 1 - Footpath Work Completed that was not Included on the Footpath Works Programme

Appendix 2 - Footpath Forward Works Programme

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**Appendix 1 - Footpath Work
Completed that was not
Included on the Footpath
Works Programme**

Street Name	Street Start	Street End	Side	Length (metres)	Reason Why
Featherston					
Harrison Street	Johnston St	Railway Station	Left	45	Completed because of heavy pedestrian use to and from railway station.
Greytown					
East Street	Kuranui College	Hospital Rd	Left	132	Completed because of new housing subdivision
Reading St	Mahupuku St	Jellicoe St	Right	110	Completed because there needed to be a footpath on one side of the road
Jellicoe St	Massy St	60 Jellicoe St	Right	200	Completed because there needed to be a footpath on one side of the road
West St	Humphries St	South Rd	Left		Completed because there needed to be a footpath on one side of the road & because of Governors Green Subdivision
Humphries St	Cotter St	Awhina Dr	Left	50	Completed because there needed to be a footpath on one side of the road
West St	Wood St	Haswell St	Right	236	Footpath was fully replaced as original was in such bad condition
Martinborough					
Princess St	Kitchener St / SH 53	Cologne St	Right	252	Footpath was fully replaced as original was in such bad condition

Appendix 2 - Footpath Forward Works Programme

Street Name	Street Start	Street End	Side	length	First	Major	Adjacent	Completed	Comments	When (based on forward capex and priority)	Cost (\$112 per linear metre)
Featherston											
Bell St	Hickson St	Birdwood St	left	180				Works current		Works Current	20160
Bell St	Hickson St	Birdwood St	right	180	yes		yes	No*	*Doing left side		
Johnston St	Bell St	Harrison St West	right	180		yes	yes	No	already footpath on other side		
Johnston St	Harrison St West	To Swimming Pool	left	180	yes			No			20160
SH53 Revans St	Donald St	Waite St	right	90		yes		No	already footpath on other side		
SH53 Revans St	Waite St	Wallace St	left	195		yes		No	already footpath on other side		
SH53 Revans St	Lyon St	Daniell St	left	170		yes		No	already footpath on other side		
SH53 Revans St	Daniell St	Wakefield St	right	60		yes	yes	No	already footpath on other side		
Revans St	Wakefield St	Watt St	left	160		yes		No	already footpath on other side		
Donald Street	SH53 Revans St		right	300	yes			No	Small amount of footpath to entrance of Loft existing. Past that not priority		
Donald Street	SH53 Revans St		left	300				No	Not priority		
Donald Street	SH2 Fitzherbert	SH53 Revans St	left	350				No	already footpath on other side		
Wakefield St	Bell St	Harrison St Wt	right	180				No	already footpath on other side		

Wakefield St / Underhill Rd	Harrison St West		right	270	yes			No			30240
Titoki Gr	Underhill Rd	cds	left	150	yes			No			16800
Watts St	SH2 Fitzherbert	Revans St	right	65	yes			No			7280
Daniell St	SH53 Revans St	Brandon St	right	185				No	already footpath on other side		
Birdwood St	Fox St	Tait St	right	75				No	already footpath on other side, footpath will not fit on right side.		
Birdwood St	Bell St	Harrison St East	left	185				No	already footpath on other side		
Harrison St West	Johnston St	Wakefield St	right	190				YES			
			Total	3645							
Greytown											
Humphries	West St	Kempton St	right	130		yes		No	already footpath on other side		
East St	Hospital Rd	Papawai Rd	left	240			yes	Yes some	Done 152 metres (not quite to Papawai Rd)		
East St	Church St	McMaster St	right	340			yes	No	already footpath on other side		
Cotter St	Humphries St	CDS	right	450				No			50400
Mahupuku St	Reading St	Massey St	left	280	yes				Doing right side		
Mahupuku St	Reading St	Massey St	right	280					Works current		31360
West St	Humphries St	Wood St	left	450	yes			No	already footpath on other side		
North St	West St	SH2 Masterton - Wgtn	Right	90	yes			No			10080

North St	SH2 Masterton - Wgtn	East St	Right	90	yes			No			10080
Reading St	McMaster St	Market Rd	left	380	yes			No	Footpath is half way up other side, will require new formed curb and channel		
Reading St	North St	Jellicoe St	left	570	yes			No	already footpath on other side		
Reading St	Mahupuku St	McMaster St	left	50				YES	62 metres		
McMaster St	East St	Reading St	left	70				No	already footpath on other side		
McMaster St	Reading St	Massey St	right	170				No	already footpath on other side		
Cotter St	Humphries St	CDS	right	450				No			50400
			Total	4040							
Martinborough											
Oxford St	Cork St	Sackville St	left	Pedestrian ramp			yes	No	already footpath on other side		

Total (\$)	\$246,960
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