



**SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL  
LONG TERM PLAN AND SPATIAL PLAN HEARINGS  
Minutes from 25 May 2021**

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<b>Present:</b>	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard (from 3:19pm) and Alistair Plimmer. Audio-Visual Link: Cr Brenda West (from 1:25pm).
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor). In part attendance: Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Russell O’Leary (Planning and Environment Group Manager), and Bryce Neems (Amenities Manager).
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9:00am and 5:20pm except where expressly noted.

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## Open Section

Cr Jephson read the Council affirmation.

### **A1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/23)* to accept apologies from Cr Brenda West, Cr Pip Maynard and Cr Ross Vickery.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

### **A2. Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### **A4. Hearing of Submissions**

**Rowan Wright** elaborated on his submission (LTP 53).

In response to questions from members, Mr Wright believed the proposed location was the right location as it had a connection with the Greytown rail trail and was in a reasonably safe location as cars travelled slowly down Cotter Street. Footpaths connecting Pierce Street to the location would be ideal. Having good family facilities was a huge consideration when choosing a family holiday destination.

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**Claire Bleakley** elaborated on her submission (LTP 654).

**Heather Ritchie** elaborated on her submission (LTP 65).

**Dayle Thomas and Lynn Thomas** elaborated on their combined submission with Jason and Rachel Hall (LTP 269). The submission was related to Spatial Planning and Greater Wellington Regional Council flood maps.

Elected members requested officers get in touch with Mr Thomas to see if clarification on planning regulations could be provided.

**Melissa da Souza-Correa** elaborated on her submission (LTP 346) as well as Burton Silver's submission (LTP 363).

Additional notes and a list of Ruakokapatuna Road hotspots was tabled.

**Luther Toloa** elaborated on his submission (LTP 682).

In response to a question from members, Mr Toloa had used networks to locate Pacifica families in the South Wairarapa with around eight families in each of the South Wairarapa towns plus transient workers. There were around 4,000 Pacific Islanders in the Wairarapa in total.

**Deputy Chair Claire Bleakley, Featherston Community Board** elaborated on the Board's submission (LTP 671).

**Daniel Hawkins** elaborated on his submission (LTP 386).

In response to a question from members, Mr Hawkins said better signage for rural roads would improve safety, that a safe speed depended on the condition of the road, and that a blanket speed limit of 50-60km/hr for rural roads in poor condition should be instated.

**Beverley Clark** elaborated on her submission (LTP 399).

In response to a question from members, Ms Clark believed that the district did need a recycling station open 7 days a week for 8 hours a day regardless of what it might cost.

**Grae Harrison** elaborated on his submission (LTP 436).

In response to a question from members, Mr Harrison described the noise that came from skateparks as a constant crashing and banging whereas the noise from a traditional playground was not a constant banging.

Mr Harrison described Chafers Skatepark as a larger site than the proposed Pierce Street size with lots of car parking.

**Jan Davison** elaborated on her submission (LTP 440).

In response to questions from members, Ms Davison suggested that water resilience can't wait and that Council should bring projects forward, that water restrictions would not be palatable but Council should look to other councils for ways to manage expectations and resilience.

The meeting adjourned at 10:28am.

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The meeting reconvened at 10:56am.

**Bruce Farley** elaborated on his submissions (LTP 102, SP 18).

In response to a question from members, Mr Farley confirmed that the 3.6ha of land that he was presenting on was good quality land that had previously produced berry fruit.

**Zachary Henderson, Ethan Hunter, Daniel Hodgson and Patrice O'Connor (Principal), Greytown School** elaborated on their submission (LTP 458).

In response to questions from members, Daniel believed it was reasonably safe to get to Cotter Street from Greytown School as there were pedestrian crossings in place outside Greytown School and on Main Street. Zachary lived close to the proposed skatepark location and his parents were happy with the plans as they could use the Greytown Rail Trail and the Dog Park while he was at the skatepark. Daniel's parents were also happy with the proposed location as it was not too far away from central Greytown and children could have a fun time without disturbing too many neighbours.

Greytown School tabled their presentation.

**Colin Wright, Michael Roera, Tony Waters and John Boon, Waiohine Action Group** elaborated on their submission (LTP 444).

The Waiohine Action Group tabled supporting information.

**John Whitby** elaborated on his submission (LTP 495).

In response to questions from members, Mr Whitby stated that his observatory was used every night with groups gatherings occurring on a monthly basis. Up to 20 people were in attendance on any one evening.

**Leigh Finlayson and Brett Dumbleton** elaborated on submission LTP 501.

In response to a question from members, Mr Dumbleton believed Ruakokapatuna Road was so dangerous that locals all travelled at a safe speed, it was visitors to the area that travelled at inappropriate speeds.

**Pete Roberts** elaborated on his submission (LTP 506).

In response to a question from members, Mr Roberts would support relocation of the Greytown Recycling Station, and that berms were Council owned land unable to be utilised by residents.

**Jo Woodcock** elaborated on her submission (LTP 545).

Cr Fox left the meeting at 11:46am.

Cr Colenso left the meeting at 11:46am.

Cr Colenso returned to the meeting at 11:47am.

Cr Fox returned to the meeting at 11:48am.

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**Tim Smith** elaborated on his submission (SP 40).

In response to a question from members, Mr Smith noted that land prices needed to come down and that clever well-designed urban intensification with single communal spaces was needed.

**Sarah Wright, Digital Seniors** elaborated on their submission (LTP 554).

In response to a question from members, Ms Wright had been working with the Wairarapa Library Services Manager to provide services in local venues for seniors who were digitally excluded.

**Merinda Robert** elaborated on her submission (LTP 557).

**Perry Cameron** elaborated on his submission (LTP 574).

**Warren Woodgyer** elaborated on his submissions (LTP 602, SP 207).

In response to questions from members on Spatial Planning proposals, Mr Woodgyer believed the Woodside hamlet proposal should be brought forward.

In response to questions from members on Long Term Planning proposals, Mr Woodgyer thought that the current Greytown Recycling Centre opening hours was adequate and he would support the site being retained for recycling but not for greenwaste compositing. Mr Woodgyer believed that the proposed skatepark site should be developed into a recreational park similar to Soldiers Memorial Park not a skatepark. Mr Woodgyer stated that the Cotter Street judder bars had been installed by Council and that Cotter Street should be a one way street with bollards at the end to provide a through-way for bikes and pedestrians only.

**Warren Woodgyer, Mike Gray and Perry Cameron, Citizens Voice** elaborated on their submission (SP 157).

**Quentin Wilson** elaborated on his submissions (LTP 635, SP 146).

The meeting adjourned at 12:37pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1:24pm.

Cr West joined the meeting at 1:25pm via audio-visual link.

**Dawn Lucia** elaborated on her submissions (LTP 610, SP 175).

In response to questions from members Ms Lucia would have liked the consultation documents to be posted to all households and noted one incidence of flooding on her property and more regular flooding up the street towards Pāpāwai Marae.

**Mathew Wills, CCS Disability Action**, elaborated on their submission (LTP 605).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Wills suggested that to improve accessibility Council should prioritise footpath improvements and that as the population ages it was important that engagement occurred.

**David Stevenson** elaborated on his submissions (LTP 609).

**Lisa Cornelissen and Frank Cornelissen** elaborated on their submission (SP 80).

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In response to a question from a member, the Cornelissens suggested that to alleviate the housing crisis more land than what was proposed should be opened up for mid-density housing.

Elected members suggested that the Cornelissens think about possible solutions to the Airbnb situation in the district and feed this into the planned rating review.

**John Norton** elaborated on his submission (LTP 649).

**Pete Sutherland** elaborated on his submission (SP 143).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Sutherland was not in favour of the Woodside development but wished to see other areas all opened up at once, including option GC. Mr Sutherland owned a section within the GC area and it was not productive due to its insufficient size.

**Elaine Sutherland** elaborated on her submission (LTP 660).

In response to questions from members, Mrs Sutherland thought that road sealing should continue and prioritisation should be as per the list previously developed by Council officers with road safety being a key determining factor.

**Ray Lilley and Viv Napier (Wairarapa Dark Sky Association)**, elaborated on submissions LTP 664 and LTP 664.

In response to a question from a member, Mrs Napier outlined the administrative requirements to belong to the International Dark Sky Association.

**Viv Napier** elaborated on her and Martin Napier's submission (SP 148).

**Chris Hodson** elaborated on his submission (LTP 675).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Hodson said use of the campsite at the end of Glenmorven Road had increased but acknowledged that the campsite was not owned by Council. A traffic count had been provided to Council officers.

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Carried

**Jim Hedley** elaborated on his and Paulene Hedley's submissions (LTP 666, LTP 668).

**Alistair Aburn** elaborated on his submission (SP 128).

In response to questions from members, Mr Aburn noted that a number of various councils' district plans incorporated design guides and that the principles of these guides would provide a good framework that took into account the external appearances, open spaces, setbacks and other things. Master planning was a good forerunner but could become overly rigid and that it was the principles that should be incorporated rather than a defined plan.

Mr Aburn tabled supporting information.

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Cr Maynard joined the meeting at 3:19pm.

**Peter Smith and Prue Smith** elaborated on their submission (SP 201).

In response to questions from members, Mr Smith was not sure if their 10-15ha of land was particularly flood prone and why it was classified as special rural.

The Smiths tabled supporting information.

**Alistair Ramsden** (via audio-visual link) elaborated on his submission (LTP 392).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Ramsden had visualised mangroves being prominent in Lake Wairarapa due to the lake being inundated with salt water as sea levels rose.

Mr Ramsden tabled supporting information.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

The meeting reconvened at 3:57pm.

**Tiraumaera Te Tau, Rangitāne o Wairarapa** elaborated on their submission (LTP 685)

**Narida Hooper and Andrea Rutene, Māori Standing Committee** elaborated on their submission (LTP 683).

In response to a question from a member, Mrs Hooper committed to providing a breakdown of what was included in the \$150,000 of costs for the Māori liaison role, and that Matariki would feature as a significant event and was budgeted as such.

**Jo Hayes, Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā** elaborated on their submission (LTP 645).

**Tim Martin** elaborated on his submission (SP 25).

**Karen Stephens** elaborated on her submission (SP 124).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Stephens believed Martinborough needed an elder community hub, something that was successful at keeping elderly people engaged and energetic. Ms Stephens would like to see land zoned in advance for this development.

**Antoinette Kerr** elaborated on her and Clinton Kerr's submission (SP 141).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Kerr confirmed that she was suggesting the addition of a small rural lifestyle choice property to give flexibility to solving residential housing availability to meet the need of permanent residents.

**Dr Neil McCallum** elaborated on his submission (SP 145).

In response to a question from a member, Dr McCallum advised Council to assess land for productivity utilising the services of a specialist.

**Karen Krogh** elaborated on her submission (SP 57).

**Wayne and Nikki Regnault** elaborated on their submission (SP 213).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Regnault saw merits in the assessment of soil types but had seen orchards change use over the years and

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believed a precedent for development had been set and that the new Greytown floodplain maps were available now.

**Roger Barton and Julie Guange, Federated Farmers** elaborated on their submission (LTP 655).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Guange did not agree with stopping rural road sealing if the money was being diverted to footpath development, but for austerity reasons agreed with the proposal to stop rural road sealing. Ms Guange asked Council to respond to each of the points raised once Long Term Plan decisions had been made.

Federated Farmers commented that organisations should be given longer than five minutes to present their oral submissions to Council.

**Dan Riddiford** elaborated on his submission (LTP 663).

**Paul Cutfield** elaborated on his and Cherry Cutfield's submission (LTP 674).

**Larry Knights** elaborated on his submission (LTP 377).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Knights responded that he had called a construction company to obtain the figures quoted for sealing a road.

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Minutes from 26 May 2021**

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<b>Present:</b>	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair), Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso, Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson, Pip Maynard, Alistair Plimmer and Brenda West.
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor). In part attendance: Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Russell O’Leary (Planning and Environment Group Manager), and Bryce Neems (Amenities Manager).
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### **Open Section**

Cr Maynard read the Council affirmation.

#### **A1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/25) to accept apologies from Cr Ross Vickery.  
(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

#### **A2. Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

#### **A3. Hearing of Submissions**

**Aidan Ellims** elaborated on his submissions (LTP 424, SP 60).

In response to questions from members, Mr Ellims did not know why Wairarapa Safer Community Trust had been suspended from the safer community network. Some restrictions on pulling out vineyards should be in place. Mr Ellims referenced a project by Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) about expansion outside suburban areas and thought the Woodside hamlet should be a phase two project.

**Mel Maynard and Aidan Ellims, Martinborough Community Board** elaborated on their submissions (LTP 566, SP 125).

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**Jenny Boyne** elaborated on her and Alistair Boyne's submissions (LTP 400, SP 176). In response to a question from members Mrs Boyne agreed there were rating inequalities between urban and rural ratepayers and agreed that a rating review should be undertaken.

**Zac Holter** elaborated on his submission (LTP 62).

**Louise Lyster** elaborated on her submissions (LTP 366, SP 31).

In response to questions from members, Ms Lyster had identified ten holiday houses on her street that if released to the market would help with the issue of affordable housing, and was against rezoning as then you could not deny the development of holiday houses. Developing an out of town subdivision could be an option if affordable housing was achievable.

**Rachel Clifford** elaborated on her submissions (LTP 452, SP 69).

Elected members requested Council officers review the GWRC consent for gravel extraction with reference to the time work was permitted to start in the morning and alert GWRC of any anomalies.

**Ann Rainford (Chair) and Graeme Gray, Greytown Community Board** elaborated on their submissions (LTP 673, SP 96).

In response to questions from members, Mr Gray didn't have a suggestion for where to relocate the Greytown Recycling Station and noted that there were four lawn mowing companies in Greytown and Work and Income NZ provided financial support for mowing lawns to eligible people.

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Ian Montgomerie** elaborated on his submission (LTP 421).

In response to questions from members, Mr Montgomerie identified Jellicoe Street and Wood Street area as having good quality soil that should be preserved from development and supported development on a rocky soil base, such as the Woodside hamlet proposal. The Greytown Recycling Centre was well used and Mr Montgomerie would support relocation, but noted that the current location may be okay if it was managed properly.

**Rosemary Montgomerie** elaborated on her submission (LTP 66).

In response to a question from a member, Mrs Montgomerie elaborated on a rat problem at the Greytown Recycling Centre.

**Sid Kempton** elaborated on his submission (LTP 13).

**Jackie Gray, Greytown Sports and Leisure Society** elaborated on their submission (LTP 487).

In response to a question from a member, Mrs Gray said that lots of different areas of the community had provided input into the proposed skatepark layout.

**Liam Andrew, Sarah Hodgson, Kolya Marks and Simon Fuller (Principal), Kuranui College** elaborated on their submission (LTP 487).

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In response to questions from members, Koyla was certain that kids would take care of the proposed skatepark site if rubbish bins were provided and suggested a graffiti space be included in the design. Mr Fuller engaged his students at school and did not believe the skatepark would pose more of a problem for truancy than the Red Dairy.

**Alistair Holmes, Ruakokapatuna Valley Residents** elaborated on their submission (LTP 551).

**Nik Rilkoﬀ, Age Concern Wairarapa** elaborated on their submission (LTP 565).

**Jaxon Saunders, Isaac Hartman and Jethro Doherty** elaborated on their submission (LTP 598).

In response to questions from members, the boys thought that crossing State Highway 2 at the Kuranui College end of Greytown was a bit dangerous and would like a pedestrian crossing put in.

**Sam Gordon** elaborated on her submission (LTP 296).

In response to questions from members, Ms Gordon believed the compost pile, at the Greytown Recycling Centre, was bigger than it used to be, and that it was being cleared more regularly five years ago. Her neighbour had complained about a rat problem and at least one other neighbour would like the Recycling Centre moved. Ms Gordon was happy with the proposed skatepark location but did not have any ideas for relocation of the Recycling Centre.

**Debbie Donaldson, Canoe Wines Partnership Limited** elaborated on their submission (LTP 204).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Donaldson identified the block that the owners wanted to open up to development with the remainder of MF as west of Martinborough School.

**Geoff Wallace and Stuart Dixon** elaborated on submission SP 194.

**Marty Stevens and Terry Falleni** elaborated on their submission (SP 139).

In response to questions from members, Mr Stevens requested a mixture of lot sizes be made available. Mr Falleni suggested covenants be put in place as an attempt to stop property being purchased for holiday homes.

**Graeme Gray and Helen Gray** elaborated on their submission (SP 155).

Cr Maynard left the meeting at 12:09pm.

Cr Maynard returned to the meeting at 12:12pm.

In response to questions from members, Mr Gray did not believe stormwater issues were the cause of water retention in the GB area, but that it was inherent in the lie of the land. Mr Gray recommended subdivisions be developed on stony soils.

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Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 12:15pm.

Mayor Beijen returned to the meeting at 12:17pm.

**Max Stevens** elaborated on his submission (SP 188).

Supporting documents were tabled.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25pm.

The meeting reconvened at 1:15pm.

**Dean di Bona** elaborated on his submission (SP 135).

In response to a question from a member, Mr di Bona explained that Queenstown had allowed expansion in areas away from the centre city and this had protected their water front area. If expansion away from then centre of town wasn't opened up, then small house/small lot type development would occur in ME. Opening up multiple areas for development would allow the town to expand with no pressure on the ME area.

**Graeme Thomson** elaborated on his submission (SP 167).

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Vicki Corke** for Martin Corke elaborated on submission SP 140

In response to a question from a member, Ms Corke identified the section of Jellicoe Street that she was requesting be included for development.

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Vern Brassell and Jocelyn Brassell** elaborated on their submission (SP 142).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Brassell confirmed that he was requesting that more than one Greytown area was released for development, that if the land on North Street was rezoned driveways could exit onto North Street, or the Reading Street paper road could be formed.

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Shane Howe, Diane Howe, Nicholas Meatyard and Susanne Bird** elaborated on their submission (SP211).

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Colin Wright** elaborated on his submission (LTP 390).

In response to a question from a member, Mr Wright understood that Wellington Water had agreed to do whatever they could do within the budgets set by Council.

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**Norris Everton** elaborated on his submission (LTP 390).

Supporting documents were tabled.

**Dayle Clarkson and Michelle Hayward Nuku Ora** elaborated on their submission (LTP 550).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Hayward responded that the cost of a regional sports coordinator to SWDC would be \$2,000 for the next three years and that Nuku Ora could support creation of a playspace by providing ideas at the planning stage and was keen to activate communities in this way.

**Karyn Burgess and Gill Stewart, EnviroSchools** elaborated on their submission (LTP 677).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Stewart responded that they have worked with a number of schools in the South Wairarapa district. Staff built relationships with schools and supported staff as necessary while working more intensely with identified schools over the course of any one year.

**Joy Cooper and John Bath, Wharekaka Trust Board** elaborated on their submissions (LTP628 and SP197).

In response to a question from a member, Ms Cooper thought expansion of the facility in its current location would be best and the Board had draft plans for another two and up to four villas. Apartment development had also been discussed. Impinging on Huangarua Park was the preferred growth avenue, but other options were being explored. Three more villas would provide more financial comfort.

**Cohasset Group on behalf of Gordon Laing** elaborated on their submissions (SP 91).

The meeting adjourned at 2:34pm.

The meeting reconvened at 2:50pm.

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*(Moved Cr Jephson/Seconded Cr Fox)*

Carried

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### 3. Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 Deliberations

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/27):*

1. To receive the Long Term Plan 2021-31 Report.
2. To consider submissions on the Consultation Document for the Long Term Plan 2021-31 proposals and make agreements in principle with respect to the Long Term Plan 2021-31 proposals, supporting documentation and associated budget as necessary.
3. To consider submissions to the Spatial Plan discussion document, has a discussion on the Spatial Plan Analysis document, and provides feedback to Council officers.

*(Moved Mayor Beijen/Seconded Cr Hay)*

Carried

Mr Wilson noted the urgency in moving forward with direction for Council officers on the six big decision items, and the availability of a parking space for other items to be investigated throughout the year. Staff had identified the need for an additional \$200,000 for a driveway into Greytown Cemetery and officers wanted to bring forward the waste minimisation role budgeted for in the second year of the LTP. Additional budget was required to ensure the rating review and representation review could be done within the first year of the LTP.

*COUNCIL NOTED:*

1. Action 179: Council officers undertook to review the need and urgency of creating a driveway into the Greytown Cemetery; K Neems

#### **#1 Big Decision: Three Waters**

Members discussed the officer analysis noting that the majority of submitters were in support of the proposal. A number of submitters wanted more funds allocated to water.

Mr Wilson noted the purpose of the smart meter trial was to get an indication of water lost through leaks.

Councils using electronic water meters were doing so as part of their conservation strategy and Council's trial was being funded with the government stimulus funding.

#### **Council direction**

To agree with Option 1, Councils preferred option for three waters which includes \$48M of funding over 10 years.

*COUNCIL NOTED:*

1. Action 180: Prepare communications that are released alongside the LTP that explains that purpose of the water smarter meter trial and usefulness of meters as a conservation strategy; S Priest

#### **#2 Big Decision: Rural Roads**

Members discussed the officer analysis, noting that rural residents were the most affected party and their submissions indicated that they didn't want sealing to stop.

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It was determined that a gentleman's agreement had most likely been reached to seal Ruakokapatuna Road, with sealing budget allocated in the 20/21 year, but no record had been found to support an agreement by Council to seal 3km's of Ruakokapatuna Road.

Mr Wilson noted that there were no traffic counts for Ruakokapatuna Road and that accidents appeared not to be reported to NZ Police as available data didn't match resident reports. Mr Wilson noted the decision to be made was about sealing of rural roads, not which rural road should be sealed.

Members agreed that safety was the biggest concern. Some members noted that if sealing wasn't continued it would fall behind and that there were tourist attractions on Ruakokapatuna Road.

#### **Council direction**

To look to continue funding of rural road sealing extensions over the next three years, with priorities for sealing to be determined.

*Secretary note: This direction was overturned on 27 May 2021.*

### **#3 Big Decision: Footpaths**

Members noted the communities desire for new footpaths, and obligations to support those with disabilities as well as the aged community. How footpaths were funded would be reviewed during the rating review.

#### **Council direction**

To agree with the proposal to start funding footpath kerb and channel extensions at Year 1, at a cost of \$400k per year (inflation adjusted).

#### **COUNCIL NOTED:**

1. Action 181: Prepare communications that are released alongside the LTP that acknowledge the appearance of inequalities in how footpaths are funded, noting that funding ratios will be reviewed during the rating review project; S Priest
2. Action 182: Provide a regular report to the A&S Committee of where footpath funding is being spent; E Stitt

### **#4 Big Decision: Berms**

Members noted overall support and that budget had already been removed from the LTP.

#### **Council direction**

To agree with the proposal to stop mowing berms in towns.

### **#5 Big Decision: Greytown Play Space**

Members noted overall support for this proposal, and that there would be no impact to rates. Officers were requested to work with NZTA to seek a pedestrian crossing at the south end of Greytown.

#### **Council direction**

To agree with the proposal to develop a new Greytown play space.

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*COUNCIL NOTED:*

- 1. Action 183: Work with Waka Kotahi (NZTA) to seek a new pedestrian crossing at the south end of Greytown by Kuranui College in order to support access to the Medical Centre and the new Greytown play space; E Stitt

**#6 Big Decision: Greytown Recycling Centre**

Members noted that submissions were in favour of retaining a Recycling Centre in Greytown but noted that operations could be split and there may be other more favourable locations. The primary concern with the current site was green waste management, however increased traffic on Cotter Street was also noted.

**Council direction**

To not close down the Greytown Recycling Centre.

Council officers are to provide options for moving all or part of the Greytown green waste and recycling services, and within the next triennium if a better option becomes available Council will progress a new location.

*COUNCIL NOTED:*

- 1. Action 184: Determine the cost for Earthcare to provide additional management services for Greytown green waste; E Stitt

**Other Direction**

Members discussed the funding request from the Dark Sky Association, the Pascifica funding request, the overall grant funding budget, the request for an increase in funding for the Māori Liaison officer from the Māori Standing Committee, funding mowing of urupā, and funding of the gateway project.

*COUNCIL NOTED:*

- 1. Action 185: Provide a break down of the \$150,000 for a Māori Liaison Officer as compared to the budgeted \$90,000; N Hooper (MSC Chair)

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Minutes from 27 May 2021**

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<b>Present:</b>	Mayor Alex Beijen (Chair) until 10:53am, Deputy Mayor Garrick Emms, Councillors Pam Colenso (from 9:14am), Rebecca Fox, Leigh Hay, Brian Jephson (from 9:23am), Pip Maynard and Alistair Plimmer.
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Harry Wilson (Chief Executive), Russell O’Leary (Planning and Environment Group Manager), Katrina Neems (Chief Financial Officer), Karen Yates (Policy and Governance Manager), Kendyll Harper (Intermediate Planner), and Suzanne Clark (Committee Advisor).  Via audio-visual link: Euan Stitt (Partnerships and Operations Group Manager).
<b>Conduct of Business:</b>	The meeting was held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, Texas Street, Martinborough and was conducted in public between 9:00am and 12:18pm except where expressly noted.

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## **Open Section**

Cr Plimmer read the Council affirmation.

### **1. Apologies**

*COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2021/28)* to accept apologies from Cr Ross Vickery, Cr Brenda West, lateness apologies from Cr Pam Colenso and Cr Brian Jephson and apologies for leaving early from Mayor Alex Beijen.

*(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Emms)*

Carried

### **2. Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### **3. Long-Term Plan 2021-2031 Deliberations**

A spreadsheet of rating implications based on deliberations from 26 May 2021 was tabled by Council officers.

Members were concerned at the rating impact following deliberations, and discussed improving rural road safety and methods other than sealing that could be used to achieve safer roads including a speed review.

Cr Colenso joined the meeting at 9:14am.

Cr Jephson joined the meeting at 9:23am.

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## **#2 Big Decision: Rural Roads**

### **Council direction**

After reconsideration, and on balance, Council will stop funding rural road seal extensions, but add funds to the budget so that a safety review and accelerated speed review can be undertaken.

### **COUNCIL NOTED:**

1. Action 197: Provide assurances to the Assets and Services Committee that the rural road maintenance programme, including maintenance of culverts, is performing to standard; E Stitt

Members discussed funding a Solid Waste officer in the first year of the LTP in order to reduce the workload of the Amenities Manager and the driveway to Greytown Cemetery.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00am.

Mayor Beijen vacated the Chair.

Deputy Mayor Emms assumed the Chair.

The meeting reconvened at 10:18am.

### **Spatial Plan**

Mr O'Leary and Ms Harper provided an overview of findings. Common themes were found including, maintaining heritage but allowing intensification, protection of productive soils, unhappiness with Airbnb properties, and ensuring infrastructure can meet future.

Members discussed links with the District Plan, expanding the boundaries to incorporate anomalies into the Spatial Plan growth areas, having specific areas in the community that had different design guides, designating industrial and commercial zones and reviewing the Martinborough bypass route.

Mayor Beijen left the meeting at 10:53am.

### **Martinborough**

Cr Colenso left the meeting at 11:00am.

Cr Colenso returned to the meeting at 11:01am.

Cr Plimmer left the meeting at 11:15am.

Cr Plimmer returned to the meeting at 11:17am.

Officers were to look at opening up MA and MD. The boundaries of MD could be expanded following investigation into the viability of the land classified as productive. There was support for a range of section sizes in all areas down to 400sqm. Cr Fox does not support section sizes down to 400sqm and Cr Colenso does not support section sizes less than 400sqm. MF was the next preferred area for growth.

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There was limited support for over intensification of ME. Fundamental issue was preserving the feel of the town and that intensification may change this. Officers were to investigate design guidelines that could be incorporated to ensure heritage character was preserved.

Cr Jephson left the meeting at 11:42am.

**Featherston**

Cr Jephson returned to the meeting at 11:46am.

Councillors noted that the Featherston community wanted to see the master planning process, but there was general support for increasing density and adding FB, FC and all of FE for development.

**Greytown**

Councillors noted general support for GD, but the floodplain needed to be excluded. There was interest in opening up this area sooner than 20 years.

Council officers were to relook at GC once new Greater Wellington Regional Council flooding maps were adopted. The maps were available for viewing now but were subject to an upcoming consultation and adoption process.

Councillors supported GB with a reduction in total area to include Jellicoe Street across to Tates Reserve, and then over to Papawai Road. Analysis of soil types may need to be done to exclude land prone to water retention.

Officers were to look at the practicality of opening up GA.

Councillors agreed that GF could be a mix of lot sizes and that the boundary could be squared, subject to an assessment of land productivity.

All additional areas raised in the submissions will be assessed by the Council officers for suitability. The assessment will take place against the same assessment criteria.

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