



- Present:** Ann Rainford (Chair), Shelley Symes, Simone Baker, Graeme Gray, Councillor Alistair Plimmer, Councillor Rebecca Fox, and Aimee Clouston (youth representative).
- In Attendance:** Mayor Alex Beijen, Euan Stitt (Group Manager Partnerships and Operations), Siv Fjaerestad (Community Development Coordinator) and Steph Frischknecht (Committee Advisor).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was conducted in public in the WBS Room, Greytown Town Centre on 7 April 2021 between 6:00pm and 8.20pm.
- Public Participants:** Lizzie Catherall, Millie Blackwell (The Village Bookshop), Craig Thorburn (Greytown Heritage Trust) and Dinah Edridge.

1. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

There was no extraordinary business.

2. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND TRIBUTES

There were no acknowledgments or tributes.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/14) to temporarily suspend standing order 14.14 to allow the public forum time limit to extend beyond a period of 30 minutes and for each speaker to be able to speak for longer than 5 minutes due to high public interest in Topic 7 of the Chairperson Report.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Secoded Symes)

Carried

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5.1 Lizzie Catherall – Health and Safety of Main Street

Mrs Catherall spoke of near misses and high speed witnessed at pedestrian crossings and the camber of the road which she believed put pedestrians at risk in the section of Main Street between the intersections of Kuratawhiti/Jellicoe and Hastwell Streets. Mrs Catherall proposed these matters be addressed through the creation of a pedestrian precinct, supported through the closure of the top section of McMaster Street.

5.2 Millie Blackwell – Closure of the top of McMaster Street and safety

Mrs Blackwell expressed concerns with drivers parking on the dotted yellow line area on the south side of the McMaster street pedestrian crossing which she believed put pedestrians at risk due to visibility issues. Mrs Blackwell requested that extending the concrete barrier to restrict parking in this area and creating new parking spaces be considered as part of any proposal to close the top of McMaster Street.

5.3 Craig Thorburn – Closure of the top of McMaster Street and the landscaping

Mr Thorburn spoke in support of closing off the top section of McMaster Street and closing off parking. Mr Thorburn spoke of the benefits he believed it would bring in creating a town centre, provided examples of other town centres, and outlined potential uses of a pedestrian precinct.

5.4 Dinah Edridge - Closure of the top of McMaster Street

Mrs Edridge spoke of the historical vision architect Max Edridge had for a precinct which involved the closure of McMaster Street and believed this was the reason for tree planting across the area. Mrs Edridge spoke of the success of the current courtyard and supported extending this through the closure of the top of McMaster Street.

Members discussed and asked questions relating to the ownership status of the current courtyard, potential design features of a pedestrian precinct, removal of carparks, introduction of speed bumps, and raising awareness of available public carpark spaces and road rules at pedestrian crossings.

6. **ACTIONS FROM PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr Stitt updated members of upcoming NZTA consultation on safety of State Highway 2 and the ongoing speed review. Mayor Beijen undertook to ask NZTA whether there is appetite for an Innovating Streets programme in Greytown.

Mrs Rainford explained that as the matters raised related to Topic 7 of the Chairperson Report that this section of the report and the accompanying recommendation would be brought forward for consideration.

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10.1 **Chairperson Report - Topic 7 (item moved)**

Mrs Rainford proposed a new way forward based on advice received from officers for the Board to make recommendations to the Assets and Services Committee.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/15) that the Chairperson would prepare a report to the next Greytown Community Board meeting detailing concerns and proposed actions that can be taken to improve safety of residents on the Greytown Main Street and through this report make recommendations to the Assets and Services Committee.

(Moved Symes/Seconded Baker)

Carried

7. COMMUNITY BOARD MINUTES

7.1 **Greytown Community Board Minutes – 17 February 2021**

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/16) that the minutes of the Greytown Community Board meeting held on 17 February 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Symes)

Carried

8. REPORT FROM COMMITTEES

8.1 **Greytown Tree Advisory Group**

There was no report from the Greytown Tree Advisory Group (GTAG). Members discussed the Memorandum of Understanding with GTAG and reporting accountabilities.

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND STAFF REPORTS

9.1 **Officers' Report**

Ms Fjaerestad presented on community development in South Wairarapa. Ms Fjaerestad requested help with community connections and information reach to the community, as well as the Board's participation in Community Led Development and goal setting sessions.

Members discussed collaboration with Department of Internal Affairs, lack of social services to support elderly, and connecting with South Wairarapa community networks.

Members discussed raising awareness of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). Members requested a link to the AED Locations phone app be added to the SWDC website and Mrs Rainford undertook to raise it in the Grapevine.

Members discussed raising awareness of road rules at pedestrian crossing among youth through RYDA and Kuranui College.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/17) to receive the Officers' Report.

(Moved Symes/Seconded Baker)

Carried

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9.2 **Public Input into Local Government Decision Making Report**

Mr Stitt outlined the importance of maintaining control and order at meetings, the need to operate fairly and with transparency, and the advantages of utilising alternative mechanisms for engaging with the public.

Members discussed options for increasing public input at meetings; the Chairperson using their discretion with regards to time limits was preferred as it allowed flexibility when there was a genuine need for a time extension. Members discussed equity considerations and wanted structured public engagement so did not want to operate a regular informal public meeting.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/18):

1. To receive the Public Input into Local Government Decision Making Report.
2. To agree that the Chairperson may use their discretion with regards to time extensions.

(Moved Symes/Seconded Gray)

Carried

9.3 **Action Items Report**

Mr Stitt updated members that increased funding was being sought to be able proceed with work such as painting a centre line down West Street and a consultant was being approached to work on the renaming of Underhill Road. Mr Gray updated members of a meeting with City Care to discuss Greytown park maintenance and members requested a report on the comparative maintenance of parks within the three towns.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/19) to receive the Action Items Report.

(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Cr Plimmer)

Carried

9.4 **Income and Expenditure Report**

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/20) to receive the Income and Expenditure Statement for the period 1 July 2020 – 28 February 2021.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Fox)

Carried

10. **CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

10.1 **Chairperson Report**

Members discuss a recent meeting held at Papawai Marae and the request to obtain a Māori Battalion flag. It was agreed this should be arranged between Papawai Marae and the RSA but the Community Board could provide support through grant funding.

Members discussed feedback from a recent wheels park meeting, limited attendance at the Quiet Living of Lost Things Performance, and an update from

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a recent Stella Bull Park User Group meeting. Members requested the correspondence from Ruth Evans regarding a swing in the park be parked until such time as a proposal is received.

Members discussed water supply requirements for the planting of trees at the cemetery and noted the Community Board would be progressing this with the SWDC Amenities Manager.

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/21):

1. To receive the Chairperson Report.
(Moved Baker/ Seconded Cr Fox) Carried
2. To decline funding Māori Battalion flags for Anzac day and write to Papawai Marae to clarify that if they want a Māori Battalion flag it needs to be agreed between RSA and Papawai Marae and if they need funding support they can apply to the Greytown Community Board.
(Moved Symes/ Seconded Cr Fox) Carried
3. To agree to join with other Community Boards to have a set of flags to commemorate Matariki at a cost of \$1,300 to be funded from the beautification fund.
(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Baker) Carried
4. To agree to move forward with the planting of trees in the Greytown cemetery, to be funded from the funds already committed in our beautification fund.
(Moved Rainford/Seconded Cr Fox) Carried
5. To establish a working party for the 2021 Christmas function in Memorial Park and appoint Graeme Gray as the Greytown Community Board representative
(Moved Symes/Seconded Cr Fox) Carried
6. Action 100: Write a letter of thanks to Esther Bunning for her work in designing the flags for Anzac Day; A Rainford.

Secretary note: Recommendation 5 of the Chairperson Report was submitted in error; the Greytown Community Board Annual Budget Projections were not presented for approval at this meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

12. MEMBER REPORTS (INFORMATION)

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/22) to receive the members report.

(Moved Cr Fox/Seconded Baker) Carried

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13. CORRESPONDENCE

GCB RESOLVED (GCB 2021/23) to note the outwards correspondence and received the inwards correspondence.

(Moved Symes/Seconded Baker)

Carried

The meeting closed at 8:20pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....Chairperson

.....Date

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