



Infrastructure and Community Services Committee Meeting Agenda 15 November 2023

NOTICE OF MEETING

This meeting will be held in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, 62 Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference, commencing at 9:30am. The meeting will be held in public and will be live-streamed and will be available to view on our [YouTube channel](#).

Committee Membership: Councillor Aidan Ellims (Chair), Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter (Deputy Chair), Mayor Martin Connelly, Councillor Rebecca Gray, Councillor Martin Bosley, Councillor Aaron Woodcock, Councillor Alistair Plimmer, Councillor Pip Maynard, and Andrea Rutene (Māori Standing Committee).

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Open Section

A1. Mihi / Karakia Timatanga - Opening

A2. Apologies

A3. Conflicts of interest

A4. Public participation

As per standing order 14.17 no debate or decisions will be made at the meeting on issues raised during the forum unless related to items already on the agenda.

A5. Actions from public participation

A6. Extraordinary business

A7. Confirmation of minutes

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Proposed resolution: *That the minutes of the Infrastructure and Community Services meeting held on 20 September 2023 are a true and correct record.*

A8. Matters arising from previous minutes.

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Infrastructure and Community Services Committee Minutes from 20 September 2023

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- Present:** Councillor Aidan Ellims (Chair), Mayor Martin Connelly (until 2:22pm), Councillors Pip Maynard (via Zoom; until 4:10pm), Alistair Plimmer, Martin Bosley, Aaron Woodcock and Rebecca Gray.
- Apologies:** Councillor Kaye McAulay, Andrea Rutene (Māori Standing Committee Representative) and Deputy Mayor Melissa Sadler-Futter.
- Also in Attendance:** Paul Gardner (Interim Chief Executive), Stefan Corbett (Group Manager, Partnerships & Operations), Robyn Wells (Principal Advisor-Water Transition), Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment), Siv Fjaerestad (Community Development Coordinator) and Amy Andersen (Committee Advisor).
Laurence Edwards (Wellington Water).
- Conduct of Business:** This meeting was held in public in the Supper Room, Waihinga Centre, 62 Texas Street, Martinborough and via audio-visual conference from 1:37pm to 4:46pm. This meeting was live-streamed is available to view on our YouTube channel.
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Open Section

- A1. Karakia Timatanga - Opening**
Cr Gray opened the meeting.
- A2. Apologies**
INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/22) to accept apologies from Ms Rutene, Deputy Mayor Sadler-Futter and Cr McAulay; and Mayor Connelly early departure.
(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Woodcock) Carried
- A3. Conflicts of Interest**
There were no conflicts of interest.
- A4. Public Participation**
There was no public participation.
- A5. Actions from public participation**
There was no public participation.

A6. Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

A7. Minutes For Confirmation

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/23) that the minutes of the Infrastructure and Community Services meeting held on 25 July 2023 are a true and correct record.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Bosley)

Carried

A8. Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising.

B Outstanding agenda items from the meeting held on 25 July 2023

Noted that Cr Woodcock's report would be discussed in section E of the agenda: Member's Reports.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/24) to:

1. Receive the *Update from the Partnerships and Operations Group Report*, dated 25 July 2023.
2. Receive the *Action Items Report*, dated 25 July 2023.
3. Receive the *Chairperson's Report* from Councillor Ellims, dated 25 July 2023
4. Receive the *Member's Report* from Councillor Woodcock, dated 25 July 2023

[Items 1-4 read together]

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Woodcock)

Carried

C Decision Reports from Chief Executive and Staff

C1. Joint Review of Martinborough Wastewater Treatment Plant – Connection Suspension

Mr Corbett and Ms Wells spoke to matters included in the report. Ms Wells responded to queries from members regarding: Capex dashboard expenditure and variances; Council's relationship with Wellington Water (WWL); staffing and resourcing to support three waters; LTP planning and interface with WWL; and recruitment of staff.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/25) to:

1. Receive the *Joint Review of Martinborough Wastewater Treatment Plant – Connection Suspension Report*.
2. Accept recommendations 1 – 4 listed in the report.
3. Endorse observations 1 – 4 in the report.
4. Note that observation 1 in the report has been achieved.
5. Note that observation 4 is underway; and
6. Note that recommendation 3, review of the connection process, has been initiated with the SWDC and WWL Planning and Land Development Groups.

[Items 1-6 read together]

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

C2. Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown

Members discussed options and alternatives; it was noted Cr Ellims had consulted Mr O’Leary prior to the meeting regarding consequences of not complying with components refer and the costs of land purchase.

Members sought further information as to whether the land was vested in Council, legal considerations and the implications relating to previous Council’s resolution.

Members agreed that they would defer any decisions until the next meeting of the Committee.

Cr Gray requested that reports to the Committee to have more robust climate change considerations.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/26) to:

1. Receive the *Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown* Report.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Seconded Cr Gray)

Carried

Mayor Connelly left the meeting at 2:22pm.

D Information Reports from the Interim Chief Executive and Staff

D1. Update from the Partnerships and Operations Group

Mr Corbett spoke to matters in the report and responded to queries from members including: Greytown greenspace (rugby grounds), roading and equity, emergency works funding, Greytown Wheels Park (carpark), overspends on water, clarifying Greytown Community Board’s involvement in leasing the Old Library in Stella Bull Park , cleaning services contract providers and procurement/tender processes; and Greytown Hall foundation repairs.

Noted Council Officers undertook to speak with the Greytown Community Board for their thoughts on the Greytown Hall / Town Centre (official name) foundation repairs.

Mr Corbett provided an update on the Martinborough Square lighting project provided by Mr Corbett, noting they would seek to move this project into roading programme for first year of Long Term Plan to save on costs.

Members queried the original source of lighting project funding, staging the project and prioritisation of crossings to progress the project. Council Officers will provide an update on timeframes and ideas before the next meeting of the committee.

Mr Gardner provided a brief update on funding submissions to the Waka Kotahi Board for Cape Paliser Road. Mr Corbett responded to queries from members regarding the Hinekura Road realignment - timeframes and progress update; MWTP compliance and new connections (timeframes and pre-empting issues once resolved); and the Information Management role.

Members requested that a representative from NZ Police attend the next Council meeting in relation to the Draft Carterton and South Wairarapa interim Speed Management Plan.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/27) to receive the Update from the Partnerships and Operations Group Report.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Plimmer)

Carried

Adjourned at 3:15pm.
Reconvened at 3:27pm.

D2. Update on Implementation of Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa – Wairarapa Youth Strategy

Mr Corbett spoke to matters included in the report and responded to queries from members including: the Youth Development Coordinator position; use of Te Whatu Ora funding and funds available to develop activities.

Members acknowledged the work undertaken by Ms Fjaerestad and the quality of the report.

Cr Maynard left the meeting at 4:10pm

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/28) to

1. Receive the *Update on Implementation of Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa – Wairarapa Youth Strategy* Report.

2. Note that recruitment of a Youth Development Coordinator is underway, utilizing external funding from Te Whatu Ora.

3. Note that Masterton, Carterton and South Wairarapa District Councils (the Wairarapa District Councils) have agreed Year 1 Regional Flagship Initiatives.

4. Note that the Implementation of Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa – Wairarapa Youth Strategy (the Strategy) is on track to commence in Financial Year 2023/24.

(Moved Cr Gray/Seconded Cr Woodcock)

Carried

D3. Action Items

Updates were sought in relation to actions:

- 398 – water races – Robyn sent an update On 11 Sept via email.
- 215 – progress before next meeting.
- 516 – examine alternative funding measures, but not a priority.

Actions 117 & 210 were closed. Members requested that Council Officers circulate the new traffic management guidelines to all elected members when they are available.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/29) to

receive the *Action Items* Report.

(Moved Cr Woodcock/Seconded Cr Bosley)

Carried

E Member's Report

E1. Report from Cr Gray

Cr Gray noted that this issue has been active for several years and further discussion was required to support the community.

Mr Corbett informed the Committee that Waka Kotahi has informed they will renew the problem culvert, they will pay for it and work will be completed around Christmas time when work on level crossings is completed by Kiwi Rail. Mr Corbett informed that 350ml pipe will be installed for greater flow, but it may create downstream issues. He also informed that the inlet catch pit is being replaced and upgraded, which will provide upstream clearance which leads down into the pipe.

*INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/30) to receive the Member's Report on Drainage at the corner of Daniell Street and Fitzherbert Street in Featherston from Councillor Gray.
(Moved Cr Bosley/Seconded Cr Woodcock)*

Carried

Item moved from Section B:

Members Report from Cr Woodcock

Noted Cr Woodcock the report was not a criticism of staff, and about policy. Cr Woodcock spoke to matters included in the report. It was agreed Mr Gardner, Cr Ellims and Cr Woodcock would discuss further offline as Cr Gray had to leave the meeting and quorum was lost.

The meeting closed at 4:46pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record

.....(Chair)

.....(Date)

.....(Chief Executive)

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Martinborough Pedestrian Lighting Project Update

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee members of further developments in the Martinborough Pedestrian Crossing Lighting Project (the project).

2. Executive Summary

Unfortunately, our external Project Manager advises that based on written estimates received there are significant cost increases in the project from \$200,000 to \$500,000. Furthermore, we have been advised that there are delays of approximately 20 weeks in procuring New Zealand standard lighting units for the project (note: lights cannot be ordered because a resolution to support this is required). In light of this advice, we are recommending the project be moved into the first year of the Long-Term Plan, which will have the advantage of attracting the Waka Kotahi subsidy for over half the total costs. This would save the Council approximately \$250,000, and perhaps more if the project experiences any further cost overruns. We note the procurement delays mean the project could not feasibly be started until April 2024 at the earliest.

3. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the *Council/Community Board/Committee*:

1. Receive the 'Martinborough Pedestrian Lighting Project Update' Report.
2. Recommendation 2; Officers recommend that considering the increased costs and delays in starting the project we include it in the first year of the 2024-2034 Long Term Plan to attract the 51% Waka Kotahi subsidy.

4. Background

ICSC resolved on 1 February to install compliant pedestrian crossings across the South Wairarapa region. The installation was to start in Martinborough reflecting the health and safety concerns around some of the pedestrian crossings in the Square being too dark. The installation of the Martinborough pedestrian crossings was to be funded from rates via the Infrastructure Reserve Fund (IRF) at a cost of up to \$200,000 and be started in 2023/2024 Financial Year. The IRF was an appropriate source of funding given the growth that Martinborough has recently experienced and the pressure that is putting on the area around the Memorial Square. The pedestrian crossings in the rest of the district were to be funded from Roading Services budget at a cost of up to

\$300,000 and started in the 2024/2025 Financial Year. The exact resolution wording is provided below for your reference:

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RESOLVED (ICS2023/02) to:

1. Receive the 'Lighting in Martinborough Memorial Square' Report.
(Moved Cr Maynard/ Secoded Cr Sadler-Futter) Carried
2. Resolve to recommend Option 1 to Council to install pedestrian lighting on all noncompliant pedestrian crossings in the SW District, beginning with the ones in the Martinborough Square and Jellicoe/Venice Street corner. Pedestrian lighting in Martinborough to be funded from the Infrastructure Reserve Fund at a cost of up to \$200,000 and work to commence in FY 2023/24. Pedestrian lighting in the other Wards to be included in the next Land Transport Plan 2024-2027 at a cost of up to \$300,000 and, if our application is successful, work to commence in FY 2024/25. Council Officers to produce a costed project plan including the findings for the

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investigative work being done about the current square lightening, and solar power options by 1 March 2023.

(Moved Cr Plimmer/Secoded Cr Gray)

Carried

3. Resolve to recommend to Council that implementation of pedestrian lighting in the Martinborough Square is completed without public consultation on the basis that the current pedestrian lighting is a risk to public safety and is not compliant with current requirements, noting the high level of public feedback and the desire to have the issue resolved.
(Moved Cr Maynard/Secoded Cr Gray) Carried
4. Resolve to recommend to Council to identify that the decision not to consult is inconsistent with the Martinborough Square Management Plan (2012), and that this requirement of the Management Plan will be reviewed as part of the global review of all of Council's reserve management plans.

(Moved Mayor Connelly/Secoded Cr Maynard)

Carried

In March Council management procured a specialist Project Manager to lead the work, and the Project Manager was charged initially with producing a costed work programme for the Martinborough installations. The outcome of the costed work programme was reported to the ICSC in August where it was outlined that the cost of the project was dramatically higher than we had anticipated at approximately \$500,000 to upgrade the Martinborough Square pedestrian crossings. It was also revealed by the Project Manager that there would be a 20-week delay in procuring the New Zealand standard lights for the project (from the point we make an order).

Given the increased costs, and unanticipated delays in sourcing the lights, Council is recommending the project be moved into the Long-Term Plan 2024/34 period, with 51% funded by Waka Kotahi capital subsidy, and the remainder from the Infrastructure

Reserve. We sought meetings with the ICSC Chair and Deputy Mayor in September and explained the reasoning behind this recommendation:

- 1) Moving the project into the LTP allows Council to attract a 51% subsidy from Waka Kotahi for the project, saving at least \$250,000 of the total amount of \$500,000. We believe this represents the most financially efficient outcome and would allow the subsidy to apply to the total eventual cost of the project.
- 2) The unavoidable delays in procuring the lights would mean the project could not start until at least April 2024, which is only a couple of months until the start of the new 2024-34 LTP cycle.
- 3) It is recommended that the project be considered and included in the 2024-2034 LTP to allow the financial considerations and possible debt funding to be included in the financial forecasts. The project should form part of the capital works programme for 2024/25 along with the requirement to include underground work as noted below. This project and the underground work and maintenance would be incorporated as one project. Both projects are not included in the 2023/24 Annual Plan and therefore are unbudgeted.
- 4) Moving the project to the LTP would mean the work in the Square would occur at the same time as the underground cabling and lighting maintenance within the Square.

5. Prioritisation

5.1 Te Tiriti obligations

Engagement considered not required in this case.

5.2 Long Term Plan alignment

Upgrading non-compliant pedestrian crossings across our District is a priority for the Rooding Services work programme and has been costed into the draft Land Transport Plan for 2024-2027 which has been submitted to Waka Kotahi. These works will be undertaken in a staged manner across the three Wards beginning in Martinborough.

Spatial Plan

Long Term Plan

Annual Plan

6. Discussion

Understandably there has been frustration at the time it is taking to initiate the Memorial Square pedestrian lighting project. There is no doubt that some of the pedestrian crossings are very dimly lit, and although we have thankfully not had anyone seriously injured, the threat of that remains; the area is poorly illuminated, particularly in poor weather. Forthcoming speed restrictions around the Square will assist our efforts to make the area safer for pedestrians. Extra signage cautioning motorists could be considered in the interim if that was desirable.

We explored options to try and accelerate the work with the ICSC Chair and Deputy Mayor in an informal meeting in September, and there has been further discussion of the project in Martinborough Community Board meetings. An option was raised for contractors to be engaged to install the first two most poorly lit pedestrian crossings in the Square using the \$200,000 allocated from the Infrastructure Reserve Fund. Council has considered that as an option but is not recommending it. Splitting the project into further component parts and having contractors complete the Martinborough project in segments would increase the overall costs of the installation project significantly. No subsidy will be available for the additional costs incurred. Council Officers also consider that the original budget allocation of \$200,000 was for the completion of the entire Martinborough project and it would be inappropriate for us to reinterpret those instructions in the absence of a re-costed work programme.

Regarding the suggestion of staggering the installations around the Square, our Roading Services Engineer has also pointed out that it is not desirable to have different standards of pedestrian crossings in place as this is confusing for motorists and can result in accidents, as drivers misinterpret road conditions/instructions. The preference is therefore that the Martinborough pedestrian crossings are replaced and installed at the same time.

7. Consultation

7.1 Communications and engagement

Council shares the frustration of stakeholders and community in the delays experienced on this project. We acknowledge that this has been a long-standing issue of concern for the Martinborough community and has been raised for resolution over a period of years by the Martinborough Community Board. Council will continue to communicate with the public as we move towards starting the upgrade project.

7.2 Partnerships

Have you completed a communications plan for the work described/project to engage/communicate with partners/key stakeholders e.g. Waka Kotahi, Kainga Ora, community groups, particular individuals etc?

Yes No

If no, is a communications plan required?

Yes No

A communications plan will be developed as part of the project once it commences.

7.3 Procurement

This section outlines the applicable sections of the Council's Procurement policy.

Identify requirement

The level of planning should be proportionate to the size, risk, relative value, and strategic importance of the procurement. Depending on the nature of the procurement, this phase may involve:

- deciding what you intend to procure, how you intend to approach the market, how you will evaluate any bids and how you intend to contract.
- considering what broader outcomes could be leveraged through the procurement.
- estimating the delivery date taking into account the complexity, how much subcontracting there might be, and a realistic time to deliver given the nature and scope.
- identifying if there are any pre-conditions that need to be applied e.g. technical skills or expertise required.
- the declaring of any conflicts of interest that may affect, or could be perceived to affect, a staff members impartiality in any aspect of their work is required. These should be recorded in writing. A Declaration of Interest form is available for use by those with involvement in the procurement process.
- A Procurement Plan template is available to support competitive procurements exceeding \$100,000 and high-risk procurements.
- A business case should be completed for non-emergency procurement activities exceeding \$100,000 which are not budgeted for in the Annual Plan or the Long Term Plan.

Plan approach to the market

Estimated Whole Value of Life Contract Value	Up to \$5,000	\$5001 - \$20,000	\$20,001 - \$100,000	Greater than \$100,000
Direct appointment/Sole source	✓	✗	✗	✗
Preferred supplier or two written quotes	✓	✓	✗	✗
Preferred supplier or three written quotes	✓	✓	✓	✗
Open and competitive tender	✓	✓	✓	✓

8. Financial Considerations

There is no allocated budget for this project in the 2023/24 Annual Plan.

It is recommended that this unbudgeted work either be funded from a loan or Infrastructure Reserve in the 2024-34 Long Term Plan.

For example:

	Yes/No/NA	Commentary
Inclusion in the AP/LTP?	Not in 2023/24 AP, depending on option chosen would be put into LTP 2024/34	
Confirmed cost code		If unbudgeted in 2023/24 then Unsubsidised Land Transport capital project. If option of LTP 2024/34 chosen then Subsidised Land Transport capital project
Cost code owner	Tim Langley	
Manager responsible / delegations	Tim Langley	
OPEX or CAPEX	Capex	
Considered/endorsed by ELT	Yes	
Procurement process	Consistent	

9. Climate Change Considerations

There are no positive or negative effects on climate change from this decision.

10. Health and Safety Considerations

While the pedestrian crossings are non-compliant around the Square with poor lighting in some quarters, there remains the possibility of a death and/or injury occurring.

Contact Officer: Tim Langley, Roding Manager

Reviewed By: Stefan Corbett, Group Manager Partnerships and Operations



Update from the Partnerships and Operations Group

1. Purpose

To update the Infrastructure and Community Services Committee (ICSC) on activity in the Partnerships and Operations Group over the past 8 weeks.

2. Executive Summary

In Amenities, all projects are on track, however the final six months of the LTP will be busy as we move from planning to execution for several items. Capacity continues to be a factor as the team delivers on planned work as well as a wide range of reactive work and additional requests.

In roading, improved weather conditions have meant more activity on the network as we address projects delayed due to emergency works being prioritised over Winter. An Advance Notice has been released to the market for Hinekura Road and we are preparing tender documents for issue prior to Christmas. After a successful lobby by the community and Council, we are pleased to hear that the 100% subsidy for Cape Palliser Road will continue to apply for another three years.

In water, a successful quarter one has seen the capital programme tracking well against budget. Quarter two is forecast to be a slower delivery period as the Donald Street wastewater pump station project comes to an end, and the remainder of the financial year is largely filled with projects in design. Final adjustments are being made to the revised capex programme for the Financial Year 2023-24. Wellington Water continues to work through the next steps of the Greytown WTP upgrade, however the total capex programme is forecast not to achieve full year budget by financial year end.

All teams have been busy preparing draft LTP budgets and planning work programmes for 2024.

We note Councillors have requested more time to consider the internal review of the Wairarapa Libraries Service and this review will now be tabled in the ICSC in the New Year. This will not impact hours of operation.

3. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the *Committee*:

1. Receive the Update from the Partnerships and Operations Group Report.

4. Background

This executive summary will also be provided to:

- Maori Standing Committee
- Featherston Community Board
- Greytown Community Board
- Martinborough Community Board

5. Prioritisation

5.1 Te Tiriti obligations

Engagement considered not required in this case.

6. Discussion

6.1 Amenities

In addition to summaries provided in the project template (**appendix one**) the below are some of the other activities we have underway.

Greytown Wheels Park

A weeklong stakeholder event was run in Greytown during September and proved to be a valuable activity to refine the concept design, test ideas, and canvas a wide range of stakeholders about the design. Refinements are being tested with some stakeholders – particularly wheels users. Once finalised there will be wider communications of the final design.

Green Space in Greytown

Council approved Officers to proceed with the development of a lease of the Greytown Rugby Football grounds from the Greytown Trust Lands Trust. The three parties are working collaboratively together on an agreement that will benefit several sports clubs, and the general public.

Parks and Reserves

- Re-installed a memorial seat at Soldiers Memorial Park that was temporarily removed to facilitate re-marking the number two football pitch.
- Junior Cricket has been introduced to Coronation Reserve in Martinborough due to constraints at Martinborough School.
- Sports field fertiliser and coring/oversewing has been successful.
- A community group have repainted the rotunda and bollards next to the Featherston Skate-Park with some vibrant colours.
- The overall condition is looking great as we prepare for summer events and sports.
- Card Reserve Athletics Track has been marked and readied for the season, along with replacing and repositioning degraded concrete throwing circles.



Cemeteries

- A new area for ashes plots has been completed in Martinborough Cemetery and seating will be added between the recently planted trees.



Venues

- Venue bookings are continuing to increase with most venues being booked close to capacity. The major venues in all three towns are fully booked for all weekends between now and Christmas.
- Upcoming major events include Round the Vines, TOAST Martinborough and the Wheels & Deals Swap Meet Car Show in Featherston.
- For the first time in over three years, a Santa Parade will be held in all three towns, and these are being coordinated by community groups.
- For the 2023/24 financial year to date, there has been an increase in use of venues across all three towns with average utilisation currently at 73%.

Swimming Pools

- Repairs, maintenance, and preparations are underway for the opening of the season on Saturday 2 December.

Lake Ferry Campground

Officers are working with KiwiCamp regarding the compliance related project works at the campground and are happy with progress to date. Approximately half of the temporary living places (TLP's) that were non-compliant have been moved. Other compliance related projects are on track.



6.2 Roding

Hinekura Rd

Advance notice to register interest has been loaded onto Government Electronic Tendering system (GETS) and Tender link portals. This is an opportunity to gauge interest and showcase the pipeline and scope of works. Tender documents are being prepared.

Interim Speed Management Plan

Carterton District Council has accepted Officers recommendations. The interim Speed Management Plan is now being prepared and submitted to the Director of Land Transport for endorsement.

Operational Works

A more proactive as opposed to reactive approach to operational works is now planned over the next 3 months now that there is a more settled weather pattern. There will be a focus on the coastal routes prior to the holiday period. This will help us make up lost ground due to the need to resource emergency works over the past 18 months.

The main primary focus is on completing pre-seal repairs to enable resealing of the sealed roads to commence in a timely manner. Works will continue of sealed, unsealed pavements, drainage, bridges, and vegetation control as well as signage and guardrail improvements.

Capital Works

Reseal programme has been approved and design and estimates have been accepted. The Key Performance Indicator of 5% sealing on the sealed network will not be met due to budgetary constraints. Works have commenced in Featherston and Greytown and Lake ferry urban areas and Cape Palliser Road is completed.



Sealed pavement rehabilitation is programmed on sections of Wards Line in November and Western Lake Road in February. Kerb and Channel replacement is programmed on sections of Jellicoe Street (Martinborough) and Fox Streets. Also, sump top renewals are programmed in various streets in Featherston as a preventative measure to reduce short term flooding in isolated areas.

Concrete footpath renewals are programmed on sections of Donald, Lyon, and Hickson Streets in Featherston. Donald Street works have commenced.

Bridge deck work is programmed on Tora Farm Settlement Road Bridge in November.

Addition curve signage and delineation is programmed along Lake Ferry and Cape Palliser Roads over the next 6 months. These works fall under Waka Kotahi Low-Cost Low Risk Activity.

Emergency Works

Works are programmed along the East Coast hill country and Cape Palliser Road. Works are progressing well, and improvements to the rock revetments along Cape Palliser Road have been undertaken. \$1,000,000 has yet to be approved for Cyclone Hale repairs.

Asset Management Plan

The Rooding asset Management Plan is being redrafted to support the South Wairarapa District Council funding request for the 2024-2027 Long Term Plan (LTP), Waka Kotahi LTP funding cycle and inclusion in the Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP). With the change in Government the Government policy Statement (GPS) may be adjusted possibly within the first 100 days. This may adjust our priorities over time and/or influence funding levels from central government. We will watch developments closely and update.

Resource Consents

Works have been done under Greater Wellington Regional Council resource consents and this works includes gravel extraction from various rivers and work on the boulder revetments along Cape Palliser Road. Subdivisions Consents applications for condition setting, plan approval and onsite sign off.

Miscellaneous Activities

Rooding support has been given to the development of the Featherston Spatial Plan. Featherston Railway crossing upgrade on State Highway 2 and 53 will occur over the New Year holiday period. Raised Pedestrian crossings are planned to happen over November in Featherston and later in Greytown along State Highway 2. New Asset Management data standards are being introduced and South Wairarapa is currently in pre implementation stage, with data migration expected to occur in February 2024.

6.3 Water

Capital Programme

Following the decision in the Council meeting 27 September to update the capital delivery plan for FY23/24, WWL are in the process of revising our monthly dashboards to reflect approved budgets (see **Appendix two** for current dashboards). Primarily, expenditure in the first quarter has been against the close-out of the Donald Street Pump Station and Rising Main project, the continuance of the Featherston WWTP Upgrade and Consenting work, and the Martinborough and Greytown WWTP Compliance projects totalling \$1.9 million year-to-date against a full year budget of \$6.6 million. There is a risk that Greater Wellington require additional monitoring and modelling to be undertaken as part of the Section 92 process for the Featherston WWTP project. This may result in additional funding being required this financial year. To mitigate this the forecast and programme are being reviewed regularly to reduce the risk of surprises as we navigate the consenting process.

Operational Programme

The YTD result is 30% (\$436k) underspend, with underspend across all three waters and water races. This trend is not expected to continue as important projects such as the desludging work picks up momentum. However, the full year forecast currently sits at 2% or \$140k underspend to full year budget. No unexpected events have occurred YTD, however it should be noted that there is no budget allocated for events if they were to occur.

Featherston WWTP Project

Work has progressed on the concept design deliverables and on the remaining Section 92 response to Greater Wellington. Programme wise, now that the consent application has been lodged with the Regulator, we have limited control over the timeline but remain on track to provide the full response for the Section 92 in mid-October 2023 meaning that public notification of the application could occur late this calendar year or in early 2024 (TBD). The relationship with GWRC and their advisors continues to be positive and collaborative.

Martinborough WWTP Abatement notice

We completed a Compliance Delivery Plan to meet and address the concerns raised in the Abatement Notice, issued 15 August 2022. Subsequently, the Abatement Notice has been cancelled and replaced with 3 To-Do Abatement Notices – issued 15 August 2023. An update on the deliverables, both operational and capital, is as follows:

Desludging of ponds

- Geotechnical, hydrological, environmental, ecological & odour assessments have all been completed for the potential laydown area and resource consent requirements.
- Updated sludge survey has been scheduled
- Preferred desludging solution report and updated work programme report to be submitted to GWRC by 24 November 2023
- Construction on potential laydown area programmed early 2024, with desludging to follow immediately
- We are also looking at the opportunity to undertake desludging at Greytown WWTP at the same time

Influence Flow & Quality monitoring

- New flow meters are due to have been installed, due to equipment failures
- Sampling plan has been drafted
- Ngati Kahungunu ki Wairarapa & Rangitāne o Wairarapa have both been approached in request of Tangata Whenua Values Monitoring Plans

UV Investigation and Implementation

- System inspection has been completed and investigation work is underway on possible solutions to optimise.

Planning work continues on the longer term Stage 2A upgrades (irrigate to land expansion) for both Martinborough and Greytown, by 2031. Significant capex investment will be required over the coming years which is being requested through Council's Long Term Plan (LTP) process.

Greytown Drinking Water Confidence and Resilience Project

Work has commenced on assessing alternative location option(s) for which the approach will consider local knowledge, network hydraulic issues when connecting into existing infrastructure, possible aquifer yield conditions, source water catchment risks and a cost estimate. The alternative location(s) assessment is expected to be presented to Council early in the new calendar year.

Tauwharenīkau pipeline renewal

A revised options advice paper is in the process of being prepared to include an update on cultural feedback, further risk discussion, and thoughts around contingencies and mitigations to defer capital expenditure (if possible). When ready, this paper will be circulated to members of the ICSC committee to assist in deciding whether this project should be included in critical projects for the draft 2024/34 LTP.

Water races Strategy

We are awaiting feedback on the paper circulated to the ICS committee members before initiating next steps.

6.4 Community Development

Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa and Youth Development

Coordination of Mana Taiohi and Code of Ethics Youth Development training to support the wider Wairarapa youth development sector is underway. Recruitment of a Youth Development Coordinator to lead the delivery of activities for Te Rautaki Rangatahi o Wairarapa is nearly completed, and work is also underway to coordinate youth events in the South Wairarapa, to enable local rangatahi to lead and share aspirations for their places and communities.

Hinekura Hall Upgrade

In September 2022 the Council Community Development supported the Hinekura Community to apply to the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) Funding for Change for a grant of \$30,000 to enable the upgrade of Hinekura Community Hall. The Hall upgrade was recently completed and has resulted in the Hinekura community having a facility that is safe, fit purpose, warm and welcoming and provides a hub for the Hinekura community of around 70 residents to meet, stay connected and have access to a range of core services.

Supporting Collaborative Approaches to delivering Community Wellbeing

Community Development is collaborating with a range of agencies and Masterton and Carterton District Council to support initiatives for our community, including Te Wiki Tākaro (Play Week) 6-12 November and Pack the Bus 2023.

Community Development is also working together with funding advisors and community groups to improve connections between community groups and funding, and visibility of community needs and funding opportunities for the South Wairarapa Community.

7. Consultation

Not applicable to this update report. Consultation will occur where needed as part of individual projects and be reported separately.

8. Financial Considerations

There are no financial impacts to be considered as part of this report.

9. Climate Change Considerations

There are no positive or negative effects on climate change to be considered as part of this report.

10. Health and Safety Considerations

There are no health and safety considerations.

11. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Project activity template for Roading and Amenities

Appendix 2 – Wellington Water Limited reporting dashboards

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Appendix 1 – Project activity template for Roding and Amenities

SWDC Infrastructure and Community Services Committee		Programme		Roading		
Meeting 20/09/2023		Period		Sep-23		
Overall Programme Status (RAG)	Finance	Delivery	H&S	Stakeholders	Risk profile	Commentary
Reading Street Upgrade \$1.2 million						
Upgrade Street, kerb and channel, carparking drainage as part of Resource Consent.						Completion due Mid October
Sealed Road Resurfacing \$804K						
Chip seal treatment						KPI of 5% of sealed network will not be met due to financial restraints
FootPath Renewals \$340K						
Fitzherbert, Lyon and Hickson Street						Fitzherbert and Lyon Street will be concrete replacement and Hickson Street will be hotmix. All Streets in Featherston
Low Cost Low Risk \$760K						
Various low cost safety improvements within the district						Signage and guard rails to be installed on Ponatahi, Lake ferry and Cape Palliser Roads Flood warning gates will be installed on Ponatahi, Pukio West and Pahautea Roads, Underpass subsidy. Various reslince activities on Cape Palliser Road
Road to Zero \$450K						
Community engagement and sigange						Speed mangement review
Bridge Inspections \$60K						
General inspections every 2 years and engineering every 6 years						WSP engineers to complete

SWDC Infrastructure and Community Services Committee		Programme Amenities		Meeting 20/09/2023		Period Sep-23	
Overall Programme Status (RAG)	Finance	Delivery	H&S	Stakeholders	Risk profile	Commentary	
Service Contracts							
City Care \$977k							
Parks and Reserves						Working closely with City Care to achieve improved outcomes which are being noticed - in particular with mowing. Have developed a monthly reporting dashboard with City Care to be used for operational management, some key points for July: - all rounds were completed, just under half of sites mowed due to wet conditions and slowed growth, July was well above average rainfall - focus on edging, weeding, spraying, and gardening - playground fall-soft top-ups underway - shop and household rubbish is an ongoing problem with street bins with July being the highest since February	
Earthcare \$1.7 million							
Solid Waste Management Joint contract between CDC, MDC and SWDC (led by MDC)						Working well Regular operational meetings with Earthcare and the three Councils Contract has been extended to 30 June 2025, during this time a "section 17A review" as per the Local Government Act 2002 will be carried out A few key points: - Greytown transfer station has had metal delivered and filling holes is in progress but needs fine weather - Martinborough transfer station has had lime and metal delivered to fill up the dip in the green waste area but needs fine weather - e-waste has slowed down and with price increases customers are putting e-waste over the tip face - Transfer stations are looking tidy with most items up-to-date for transfer	
CLM (Swimming pools) \$265k							
Greytown Martinborough Featherston						Contract term ended and re-tendered RFP in the market closed with a preferred provider selected Council paper for September meeting to obtain CEO delegation approval to sign new contract as life of contract will be outside CEO delegation Expected contract start date 1 October Expected pools opening 25 November	
Current LTP Projects							
Greytown Wheels Park \$1 million							
						Introductory meeting held with the Māori Standing Committee Supplier in Greytown for a week long of stakeholder engagement activities mid September Community group to be re-established Build pencilled in for November 2024	
Tauherenkau bridge \$100k							
Contingency for bridge build						Project being managed by Greytown Trails Trust (GTT) Physical bridge build is complete and funded via MBIE GTT have received the engineers report to allow "final completion". This means we can apply for the final tranche of funding and progress the formal "sale" of the bridge from GTT to SWDC. Secured additional funding from MBIE to cover bridge strengthening costs, plus development of a 2km trail on Underhill Road (Featherston)	
Featherston skate park repairs \$21k							
						Completed November 2022	
Carkeek Observatory \$93k							
Conservation options						Options report completed by external expert Met with Dark Skies to map out way ahead - confirming key stakeholders as per the report - circulate report and convene initial stakeholder meeting to discuss options in the report Carkeek has been nominated for the Combined District Plan heritage schedule to align with it's category 1 heritage status	
Considine Park toilet block \$103k							
To complement the pump track once built						Contingent on pump track build which is being funded by the community Unsuccessful application for 50% co-funding via the MBIE Tourism Infrastructure Fund (TIF), will explore other funding or scale back build	
Painting of swimming pools interior \$103k							
One pool complex per year						Martinborough pool is the focus for this season Reviewing quotes and soon to engage providers ahead of the swimming season Timing of works will require warm/fine weather	
Exterior paint of senior housing \$61k							
One senior housing site per year						Building wash has uncovered R&M issues at Burling Flats in Featherston which are being investigated Painting will now occur at Cecily Martin Flats in Martinborough during November 2023	
Land purchase for new open spaces - sports field for Greytown \$3.1 million							
						Discussions underway with Greytown Trust Lands Trust regarding the Rugby grounds and Bowling grounds. Discussions underway with the Rugby Club about how grounds and facilities could be shared. An options paper is going to the Septemehr Council meeting regarding leasing the Rugby grounds Land is scarce and expensive so a lease option is more viable.	
Greytown cemetery extension \$155k							
						Continuation of planning and works Contractors are clearing the hedge area between the existing and new cemetery areas Planning is underway for new burial beams to be installed	
Featherston Natural Burials extension \$75k							
						Continuation of planning and works Discussions are underway with contractors for completion of the driveway into the extension and any required re-shaping and levelling of the proposed burials area. Availability of contractors to do the work is a challenge.	
ANZAC Hall exterior repaint \$156k							
						RFP in the market Looking to start work mid January 2024	
Featherston Stadium paint, and vinyl of foyer and ablutions \$50k							
						Completed November 2022	
Greytown sports facility - upgrade ablutions, changing rooms. \$180k							
Upgrade to the swimming pool ablutions to allow winter sports code access during and after Pavilion rebuild						Working with sports codes RFP in the market closing mid-September	
Greytown sports facility - demolish and rebuild Pavilion \$1 million							
						Working with sports codes RFP in the market closing mid-September Council paper for September meeting to obtain CEO delegation approval to sign new contract as life of contract will be outside CEO delegation	
ANZAC Hall - fix leaking top windows \$91k							
						Planning underway Reviewed quotes and will consider tendering the work Works to take approx. 6 weeks and will take place prior to painting	
Greytown Hall - repair rotten foundations \$154k							
						Planning underway Engineers report completed 2021 Awaiting site visit / inspection from builder to inform a tender process	
Gateway to the Wairarapa - consultation \$113k							
Public consultation for a feature at the entry into the Wairarapa towns						Yet to start	
Other Significant Projects							
Wellington Region Waste Minimisation Management Plan (WMMP)							
						The 8 Councils in the Wellington Region are planning to consult on the draft WMMP from 31 July - 1 Sept 2023 and are each responsible for consultation The 3 Wairarapa Councils are sharing resources for a joined up consultation The Joint Committee will adopt the draft WMMP for consultation; hear submissions; undertake the deliberation process The final WMMP will then be adopted by each Council in December 2023 or early in the New Year, dependign on advice from Ministry for the Environment	
Lake Ferry Slip Drainage \$19k							
						Completed July 2023	
Welcome to Featherston Signs							
Providing support to the community group for the re-install of the signs that were removed a few years ago						Southern site fence has been moved back into the reserve to accommodate the build Davis Sawmilling have been paid for the posts New resource consent has been lodged with the Planning Team who will liaise with Waka Kotahi Discussions with engineer on frangibility options for the northern sign to then advise Waka Kotahi Once resource consent has been provided the community group will project manage the build	
Martinborough Square Lights \$47k							
Remedy the non-functioning lights inside the reserve NB - this does not include pedestrian lights						Electrical assessment has been carried out to determine faults to remedy - mostly light fittings to be replaced, plus some underground cabling Electrical quote and trenching quote received total \$44,027+GST Costs for resource consent and associated tree report estimated at \$2,500+GST As per procurement policy seeking additional quotes This work has approval as per Council resolution in conjunction with the pedestrian lighting project	

Status key:

On track/achieving

Some concern

Off Track/Major concern

Appendix 2 – Wellington Water Limited reporting dashboards

At a regional level the Major Projects team are making progress on the development of some significant upgrades and renewals at the Wellington region’s water and wastewater treatment plants as we plan to meet future growth and manage demand.

Featherston WWTP Upgrade Consent is progressing, and we are working to provide GWRC with further information.

PROJECT	Cost Estimate			2022		2023				2024				2025				2026				2027				
	Project budget	Project Spend to date	Forecast	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
Featherston WWTP Upgrade	\$17m	\$2.6m	\$17m	Concept		Consent								Design				Procure	Construct phase 1				Construct phase 2			

KEY: pre-construct phases Construction phase/s

Project	Objectives	Commentary	H,S,Q,E	Stake.h.	Risk	Finance	Prog.	Rating
Featherston WWTP Upgrade	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To obtain consent approval for upgrading the Featherston wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) to improve effects on the existing receiving environment, and To determine the suitability of a transition to a land-based wastewater disposal system in the future. 	<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work has progressed on the concept design deliverables and on the remaining Section 92 response. <p>Financial</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GWRC require additional monitoring and modelling to be undertaken as part of the Section 92 process. This may result in additional funding being required this financial year. The forecast and programme are being reviewed regularly to reduce the risk of surprises as we navigate the consenting process. <p>Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now that the consent application has been lodged with the regulator (GWRC) we have limited control over the timeline. We remain on track to provide the full response for the Section 92 in mid October 2023. This means that public notification of the application could occur late this calendar year or in early 2024. <p>Stakeholders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project team are working closely with GWRC and their advisors throughout the Section 92 process. A new resource describing the consent process was shared with elected members and published on the project website to help keep the community informed about the complexities of consenting processes. <p>Risks / Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The consenting process is driven by GWRC, there is a risk they could require further additional work to be undertaken which could result in additional costs to the project. If the consent application progresses quickly, or the submissions require substantial additional work there is a risk that there is not sufficient budget available to complete the required work. <p>Health, Safety & Environment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No issues to report. 	🟢	🟢	🟡	🟡	🟢	🟢

Executive summary:

It has been a successful Q1, as the PMO capital programme tracks well against budget. Q2 is forecast to be a slower delivery period as the Donald Street wastewater pump station project comes to an end, and the remainder of the financial year is largely filled with projects in design. Final adjustments are being made to the revised capex programme for the FY 23-24 which takes into account the wastewater treatment plant compliance works and remaining on-hold project. Wellington Water continues to work through the next steps of the Greytown WTP upgrade, however the total capex programme is forecast not to achieve full year budget by financial year end.

Monthly updates of significance:

Physical Works Completed during September 2023:

- No projects were completed in the month of September.

Physical Works Ongoing during September 2023:

- Featherston Donald Street pump station renewal (wastewater) - The pump station has been successfully commissioned and is now up and running. The project moves into its final stages of construction.
- Featherston Donald Street pump station rising main renewal (wastewater) - The rising main pipeline has been installed and is operational.

Contract Awarded during September 2023:

- No construction contracts were awarded in the month of September.

Design Completed during September 2023:

- No projects achieved detailed design approval in the month of September.

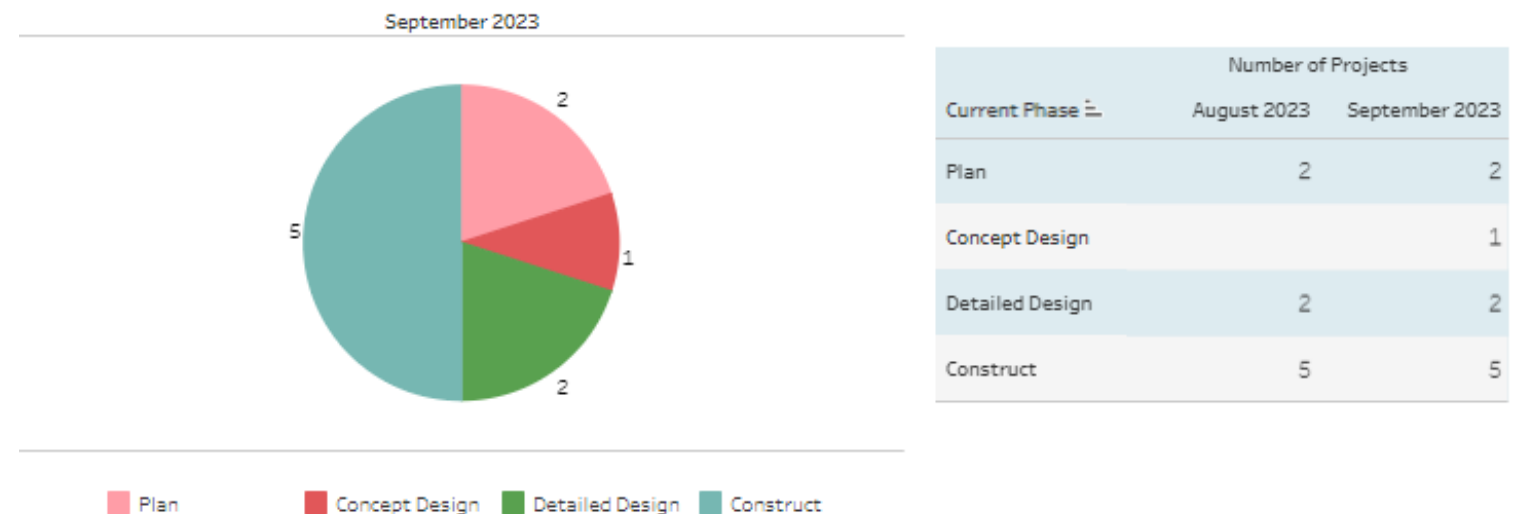
Design in Progress during September 2023:

- Martinborough and Greytown wastewater treatment plant compliance upgrades (wastewater) - Work continues on the planning and consent requirements for Geobag desludging at both Martinborough and Greytown.
- Featherston Tauherenikau pipeline renewal (water) - Project has been largely on hold for the month of September. Project is expected to recommence in detailed design phase following Council approval in September.
- Featherston water main renewals (water) - Design activities are ongoing. Due to funding constraints, construction has been reprogrammed for FY 24-25.
- Featherston Waiohine WTP stage 3 upgrades (water) - Design activities are ongoing for the permanent pH dosing system.
- SWDC VHCA Reservoir Water Quality Renewals (water) - Design activities are ongoing.

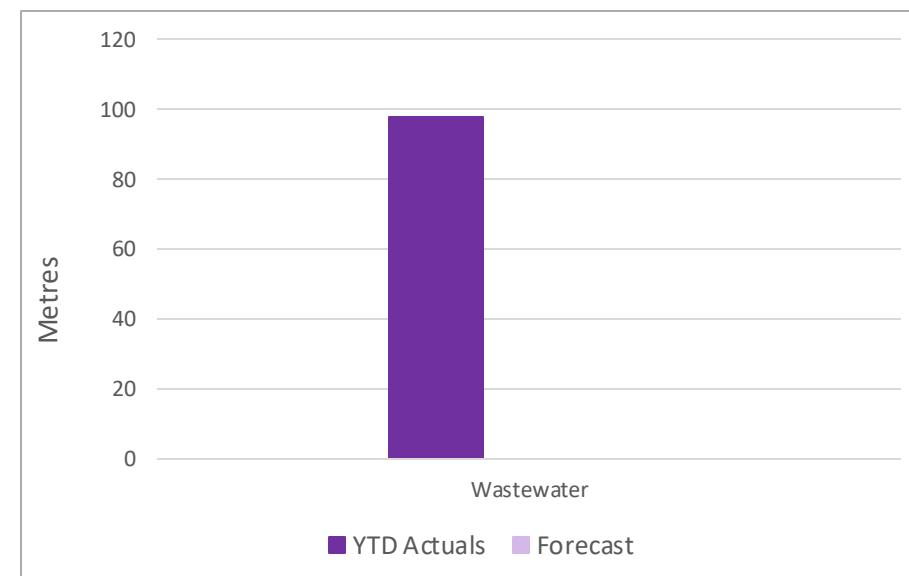
Projects on Hold:

- Greytown WTP stage 3 upgrade (water) - Project remains on hold. The wider supply strategy was presented to Council by WWL in September. Subsequently, WWL has taken an action to investigate and report on an alternative supply location for the containerised treatment plant. Investigation expected to commence shortly.

SWDC Programme of work – Summary of delivery phase movements



Metres of pipe laid/renewed



Top risks and issues:

Risk Description	Mitigation / Comments
The traffic management Code of Practice (CoPTTM) is to be replaced by NZGTTM (New Zealand Guide to Temporary Traffic Management). The proposed guide is creating uncertainty for capital works suppliers and road controlling authorities (RCAs)	A workshop was convened where Waka Kotahi introduced the proposed changes and the safety reasons behind the new guide. The workshop was attended by RCAs of the region along with health and safety managers, contractors and consultants. We will work with RCAs and suppliers to share work programmes and maximize the opportunities for cooperation in this changing environment. It is expected that the training and competency framework to support the transition will take two years to fully implement.
Water Reform Transition	Contractor and Consultant Panel Engagements were extended beyond the date of water reform. WWL provided significant support to their staff during transition into NTU. We are working to consolidate the FY 24/25 programme and will soon begin planning for FY 25/26 to provide continuous workflow for the consultant and contractor panels.
Programme slippage	The annual plan is monitored and adjusted where needed for effective delivery against Council priorities, with the resources available. Wellington Water contractors are actively engaged and work with the project teams to deliver optimal results.
Health and Safety - The number of health and safety observations coming through our Q-Pulse reporting system has increased but is still below our targets for proactive risk identification.	We are sharing the Q-Pulse reporting data with both the contractor and consultant panels for visibility and to help us to understand which organizations are more proactive with their reporting.
Contractor and consultant resourcing - Ongoing risk to Programme delivery in both design and construction delivery associated with contractor and consultancy resourcing/capacity.	Both panels have put together their growth plans to show how they will increase their resourcing capacity to meet programme uplifts. The forward capital programmes are being shared with the contractor and consultancy Panels to provide visibility into out-years. Wellington Water have been awarding contracts earlier to provide certainty of workload for our panels and will continue this approach.
Issue Description	Mitigation / Comments
Entity transition - Extended timeframe for transition to the new entity is creating uncertainty for funding levels.	Ongoing engagement to understand future funding levels will be required. This will enable the prioritization of delivery between now and the establishment of the new entity.
A reduction of available clean fill tips in the Wellington region	There are reduced availability of clean fill tips in the region due to others either being filled up or being unable to comply with their consent conditions. This doesn't appear to be a current issue for the Wairarapa tips however will continue to be monitored should cost changes occur.
Construction cost escalation - Last market analysis shows that construction cost escalation that started in mid-2021, shows no immediate signs of slowing down. The latest market condition report from 2022 indicated infrastructure inflation as high as 14% nationally and 16% for Wellington region. Disrupted supply chains, under investment over many years in sector capacity and capability along with impacts from the Russia-Ukraine War contributed to high rise in the infrastructure inflation. However, from 2023, the escalation was expected to moderate (3-6%) with reopening of China, easing of labour pressures, and impacts of slowing economy to be the main factors.	We are working with our contractors and consultants on strategies to isolate material costs within our cost schedules, and to identify items which can be purchased early on projects. Using early procurement where possible, a new material supply contract is now in use.
Contaminated Soil disposal costs increase by \$100 per tonne.	Identify early in design stage the impact of the contaminated soil disposal and adjust project value for disposal cost increase.
Aggregate supply - Acquiring aggregates for construction will be challenging considering many other large projects in construction, such as new cycleway link.	Early procurement of aggregates will be initiated to ensure that obtaining aggregate is not a cause for disruption during construction.
Materials supply chain causing delays in project delivery	An increase in shipping timeframes is resulting in project delays and in some cases a project costs increase. We are working with contractors to mitigate this through early procurement of materials in advance of project works beginning.
Stretched resources in the Operations Groups (NMG and COG) are resulting in project and programme delays.	Working with NMG and COG to prioritize and minimize project input required. Project teams are participating in NMG planning meetings. Seeing to improve processes associated with operations engagement so that interactions are targeted and streamlined.

Programme of work – Project level phase movements

_water	project_name	Current Phase		Forecast Contract Awarded Date		Change (Working Weeks)	Forecast Construction Complete Date		Change (Working Weeks)
		August	September	August 2023	September 2023		August 2023	September 2023	
Wastewater	GTN WWTP Compliance	Plan	Plan	28/10/2026	5/11/2026	1	15/05/2031	23/05/2031	1
	MTB WWTP Compliance Upgrades	Plan	Plan	28/10/2026	28/10/2026	0	15/05/2031	15/05/2031	0
	FSTN Donald St WWPS Rising Main Renewal	Construct	Construct	10/07/2023	10/07/2023	0	30/10/2023	31/10/2023	0
	FSTN Donald Street Pump Station upgrade	Construct	Construct	17/08/2022	17/08/2022	0	9/02/2024	9/02/2024	0
Water	SWDC VHCA Reservoir Water quality Renewals		Concept Design		30/05/2025			30/06/2026	
	GTN Memorial Park WTP Upgrades - Stage 3	Detailed Design	Detailed Design	16/12/2020	16/12/2020	0	25/02/2025	25/02/2025	0
	Tauherenikau Pipeline Crossing	Detailed Design	Detailed Design	4/06/2025	4/06/2025	0	7/05/2026	7/05/2026	0
	FSTN Waiohine PH dosing system upgrade		Construct		21/10/2022			4/12/2023	
	FSTN Waiohine Treated Water Storage	Construct	Construct	29/06/2021	29/06/2021	0	7/03/2024	12/03/2024	1
	FSTN Water Main Renewals Package 2	Construct	Construct	6/06/2024	6/06/2024	0	12/01/2027	12/01/2027	0
	FSTN Waiohine WTP Pump and Commissioning Works	Construct		18/09/2020			22/12/2023		

Note:

We have recently started presenting this project level milestone data to council in the monthly reporting pack. We are including it to improve visibility of non-financial aspects of the programme progress. Note that there may be some errors as we work through introducing this new information, we will work to improve the data accuracy over the coming months. Here are some errors that we are currently working to address:

- There are some empty cells in the table due to no data being available in Project Server to display. This trial run provides visibility to such and other opportunities to improve any data entry errors.



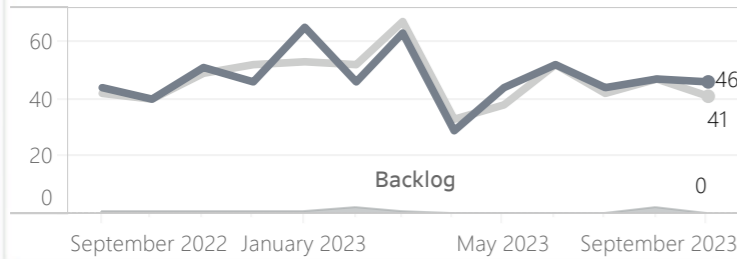
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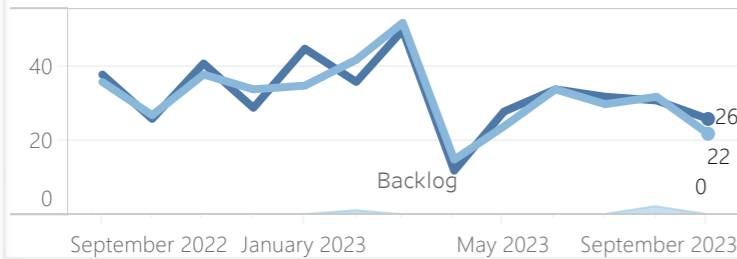
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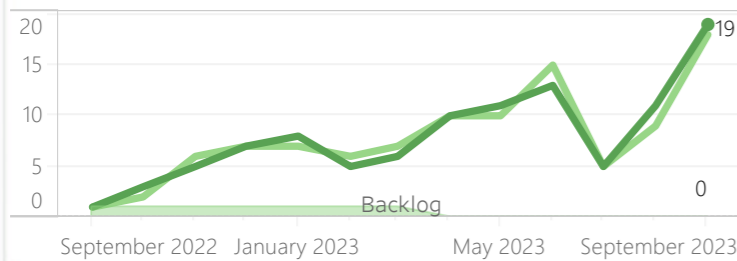
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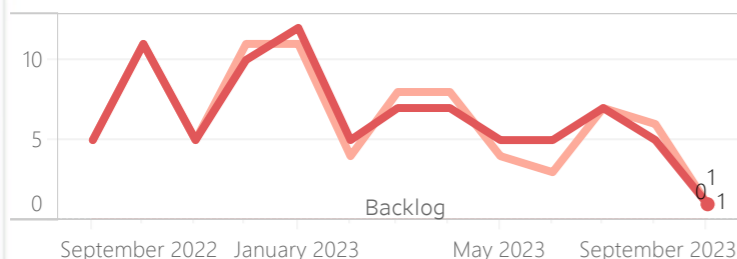
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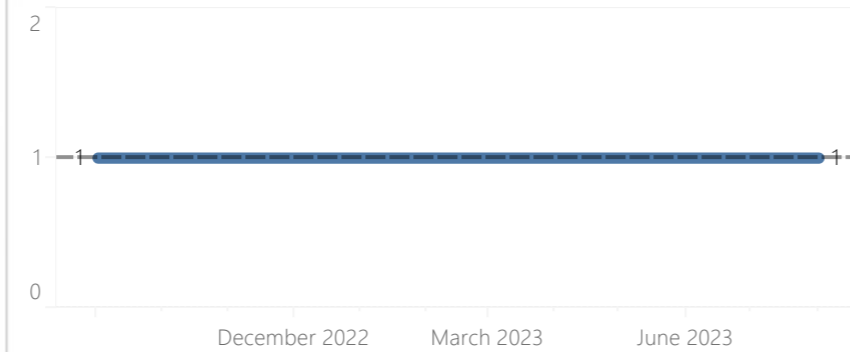


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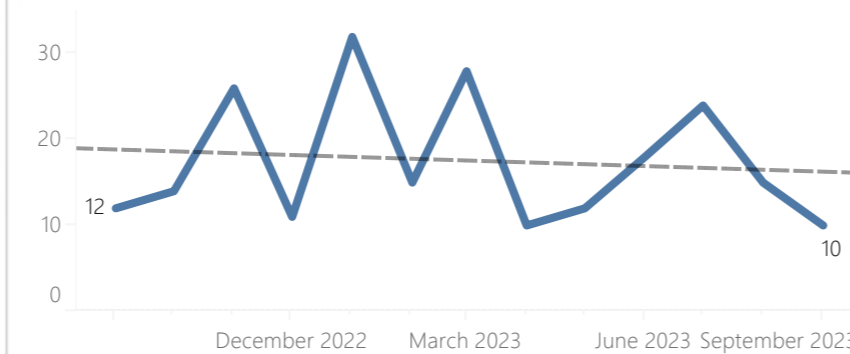


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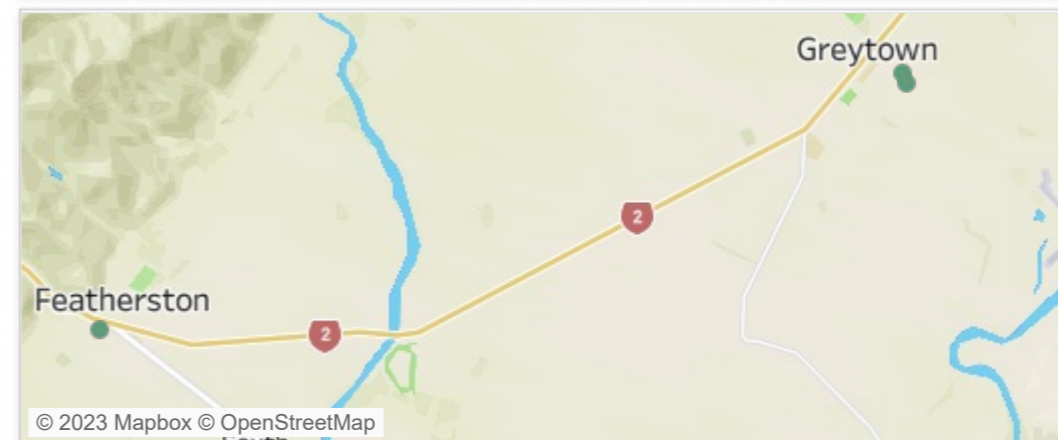
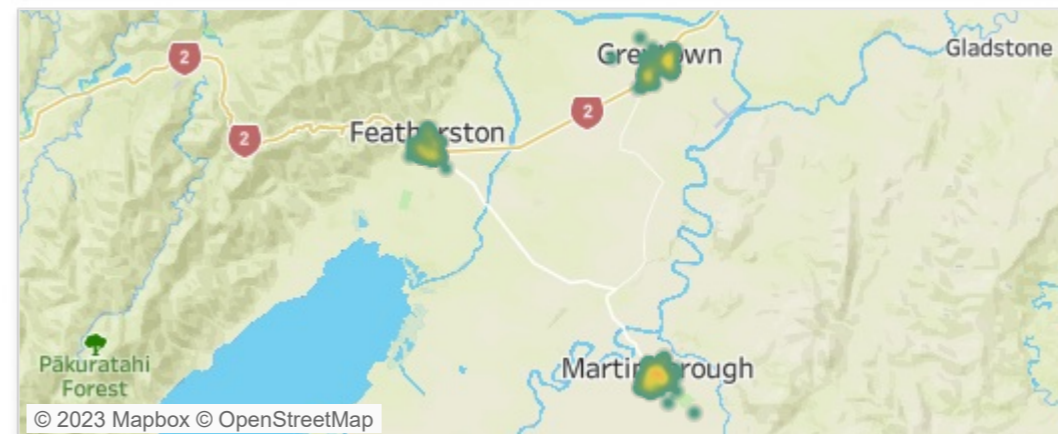
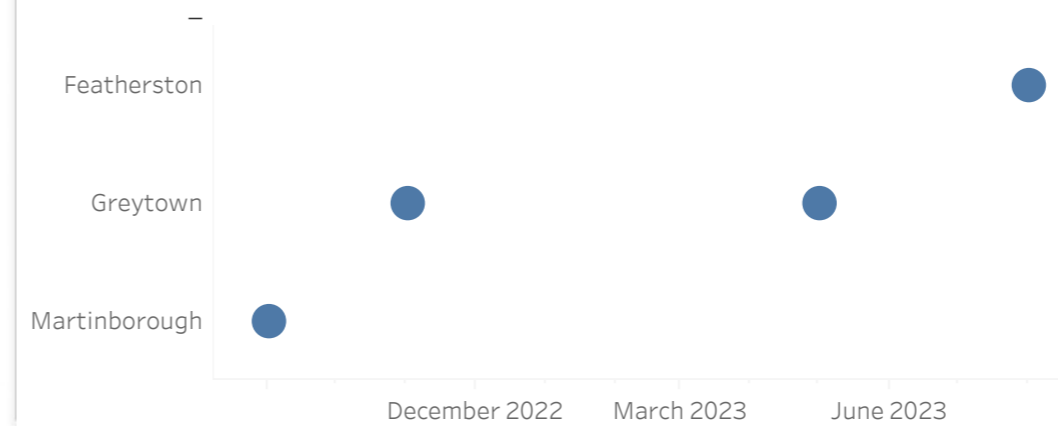
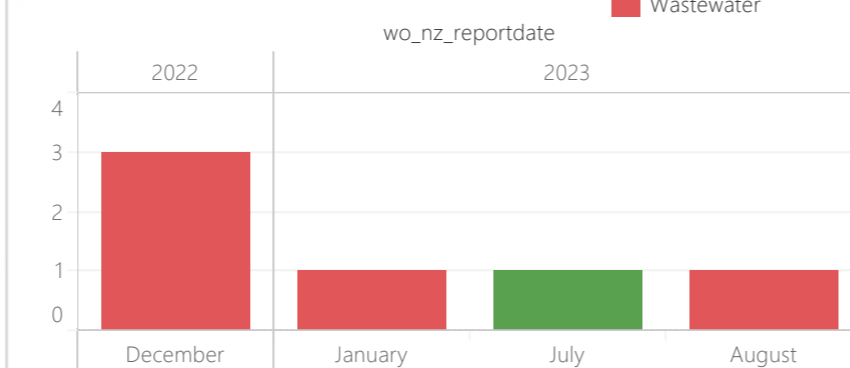
Major Outage (>=5 hours Drinking Water Supply Disruption)



Minor Outage (<5 hours Drinking Water Supply Disruption)

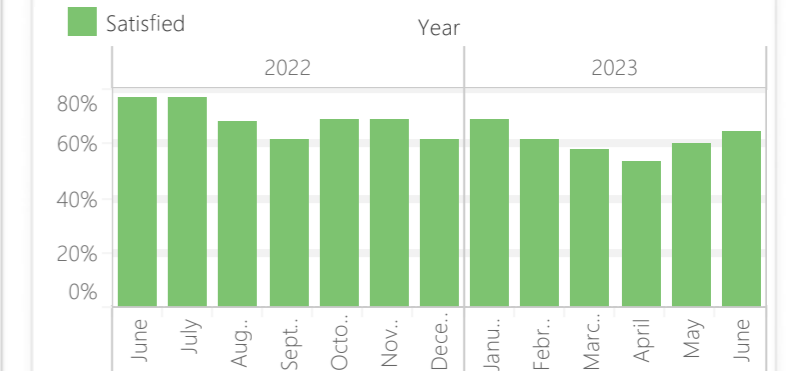


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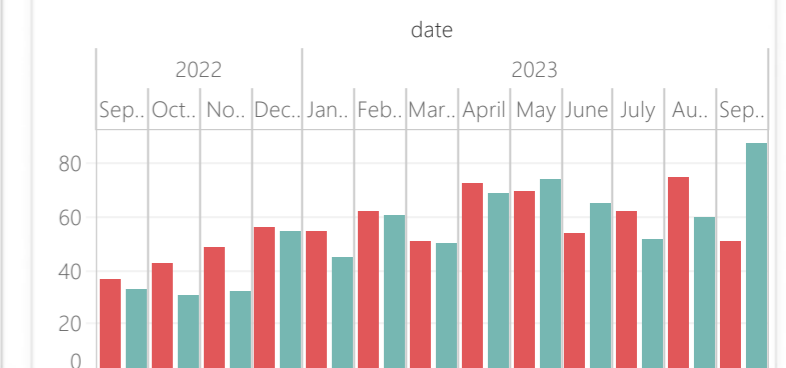


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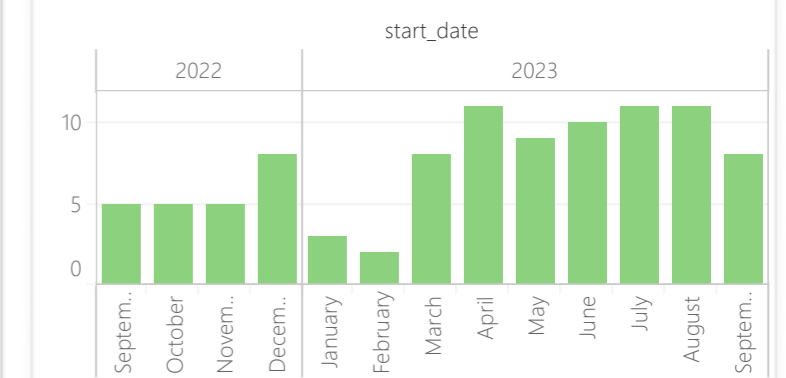
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Complaints



Compliments



Update Report on Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown

1. Purpose

An earlier report on footpath provisioning for the northern side of Farley Avenue Greytown was provided to the Infrastructure and Services Committee on 20 September 2023. At the meeting members asked for further background information as to whether the land was vested in Council, legal considerations and the implications relating to previous Council's resolution.

2. Recommendation

Council Officers recommend that the Committee:

1. Receive the Update Report on Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown.

3. Executive Summary

In terms of the related background matters raised, the following is relevant. On the northern side of Farley Avenue, land adjoining the road at 2 Farley Avenue is vested in Council. However, the portion at the edge of 100 West Street is not vested in Council, some negotiation with the landowner on land purchase had taken place. Officers also confirm that for the separate matter of the relocated water race, that this area alongside Farley Avenue is vested in Council. In terms of legal considerations and the implications relating to the previous Council's resolution, the following is pertinent.

In respect of the footpath, this matter has gone through a formal public process resulting in an independent commissioner decision to approve the Greytown development Area. This included the provision for widening the first 100 metres of Farley Avenue, as part of the related structure plan for the area. If land cannot be acquired in the short term, the land will need to be designated for widening purpose under the Proposed Wairarapa Combined District Plan, to give effect to the approved structure plan. It is simpler to purchase the land now than to go through the designation and compulsory land purchase process.

4. Background

On this footpath matter, also of relevance is current New Zealand Standard 4404, as highlighted by Roading Manager Tim Langley. Below, are relevant aspects of this standard.

NZS4404 Land development and Subdivision Infrastructure. Table 3.2 Road design Standards. Figure E22 requires:

Urban Area

Land use being Live and play.

Locality served being 1 to 200 dwelling units.

Pedestrian use is 1.5m wide both sides where there are more than 20 dwelling units and or more than 100m in length. Based on the above requirement, a footpath on both sides of Farley Ave is required. Also, the following Clause is relevant to the matter.

NZS 4404 Clause 3.3.11.1 Footpath and accessways states:

Footpaths shall be a minimum of 1.5 m wide surfaced over the full width. The cross fall should not be greater than 2%. Wider footpaths or areas of local widening will often be required by the Territorial Authority where higher use or other needs dictate such widening.

The topic of considering other path options has been raised. In considering alternative pervious form for the footpath, such as compacted chip surface, Mr Langley has advised that this would not be suitable. That form of path would incur regular ongoing maintenance costs over several years. Such a path would not be of a permanent nature as required under the above standards. Footpaths need to be for all seasons of the year, and a modern permeable solution can be provided for. In checking on funding for the portion of footpath, senior planner Chris Gorman has advised as follows. In terms of the Wairarapa Combined District Plan (Rule 23.4.4) the use of the roading contribution fund would appear to be appropriate for costs associated with the land and footpath along the Farley Avenue frontage of 100 West Street.

5. Discussion

As part of information, the previous footpath report to the Infrastructure and Community Services Committee of 20 September 2023 is included in Appendix 1 to this update report.

6. Financial Considerations

In terms of the footpath, it involves an area of around 100m length by 1.8m width. The footpath area of 180m² has an associated cost of approximately \$25,000.

Roading operations budgets and or roading financial contributions are available for installing the footpath this financial year. The associated footpath cost is allocated in current budgets. The other related cost is that of the actual land purchase for a portion of 100 West Street.

Appendix 1 - Footpath for the Northern side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown Report, 20 September 2023

Contact Officer: Chris Gorman, Senior Planner and Tim Langley, Manager Roading.

Reviewed By: Russell O'Leary, Group Manager Planning and Environment, Acting CE.

**Appendix 1 - Footpath for the Northern
side of Farley Avenue to West Street,
Greytown Report, 20 September 2023**

Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown

1. Purpose

To inform councillors of the background regarding footpath provisioning for the northern side of Farley Avenue Greytown, including related background, concerns of the property owner of 100 West Street and potential location of footpath siting to the edge of Farley Avenue.

2. Executive Summary

Farley Avenue is an urban street within Greytown, being part of the Greytown Development Area for the town. Within the accompanying structure plan for the area Farley Avenue was identified as the spine road for the area's future development. Footpaths were identified as being provided for pedestrians and connection through to West Street. Currently there is one footpath on the southern side of Farley Avenue. The owner of 100 West Street has several large trees on their property and has raised concern that formation of a footpath will impact the health of the trees on site.

There is potential for the footpath for the northern side Farley Avenue to be installed but positioned beside the road edge so as not to impact the private trees yet provide a pedestrian link to West Street, Greytown. Recent advice from a qualified arborist has confirmed that they held no concerns as to the trees and future footpath installation.

3. Recommendations

Officers recommend that the Infrastructure and Community Services Committee:

1. Receive the *Footpath for the Northern Side of Farley Avenue to West Street, Greytown* Report.
2. Agree to install a 1.8m wide footpath adjoining the edge of the road on the northern side of Farley Avenue to provide pedestrian access to and from West Street, so as not to impact the private trees.

4. Background

As part of the layout for the Greytown Development Area, the related Structure Plan for the future urban area indicated that Farley Avenue would have footpaths on both sides of the road so as to provide pedestrian pathway through to Wood Street.

In terms of background on the Structure Plan for the Greytown Development Area, this involved several components during the term of the last council. Firstly, the Council

initiated a Plan Change Process and Notification occurred in November 2017, followed by the independent Commissioners decision on the area of 10 May 2018. The Council gave formal approval on 8 August 2018. This then resulted in the Structure Plan making it into the Wairarapa Combined District Plan in 2019. Information in the two appendices to this report cover the decision notification for Greytown Development Area including a designation of road, and diagrams of the Structure Plan for the area.

The majority of the installation of the road and footpath were at the cost of the area's developer Westec Property Developments Limited. However, the developer did not install the first 100m of footpath for the northern side as at the time the land had not been vested from the adjoining property owners. In terms of the land area just for the footpath, it involves an area of around 100m length by 1.8m in width.

The width of 1.8m (as opposed to 2.0m indicated in the structure plan) would have less impact to adjoining the root system of adjoining trees on private land, particularly so where the footpath is sited directly beside the edge of the road.

There were two private garages in very close proximity to the road edge. As a part of the subdivision consent decision in April 2022, the previous garage sited there has been removed from 2 Farley Avenue. However, a single garage located partly on the berm and at 100 West Street remains in location.

5. Prioritisation

5.1 Te Tiriti obligations

Not applicable.

5.2 Long Term Plan alignment

The portion of footpath for the north side of Farley Avenue is roading related expenditure that is allocated within current budgets.

- Spatial Plan
- Long Term Plan
- Annual Plan

6. Discussion

In terms of the future footpath and immediately adjoining landowners on the northern side of Farley Avenue the following liaison matters are of relevance.

The owner of the corner property of 100 West St made inquiry and met with a planning officer in 2021 indicating that she was seeking to sell the property and wanted to sort the road widening matter out. There were previous valuations requested and obtained by planning officer Lou Brown. Around the same time, the previous owner of 2 Farley Ave passed away and was purchased for development.

The subdivision for 2 Farley Avenue is nearing final completion and the road widening and associated aspects are being attended to via Tim Langley Roding Manager. At the time of issue of the new titles the road widening fronting 2 Farley Avenue will become legal road.

As a result of discussion, it was decided that Council officers needed to obtain updated valuations, these were presented to finance and both property owners in June 2022. In presenting the 100 West St valuation the owner Council staff were unsure whether the valuations included the loss of two trees which would have remained within the 100 West St property but could be affected by the footpath (roots and overhanging branches) to the extent they would need to be removed.

The owner was upset that the trees might have to be removed. Tim Langley was asked whether there were options that could allow the trees to be retained – for example: purchasing the land, but not constructing the footpath (then discuss with future owners) or alternatives to standard footpath that might not conflict with the trees.

The owner of 100 West Street has raised concern as to the ongoing health and retention of the large trees on her property and the ability to sell her land in the future. Roding Manager Tim Langley as part of work in resolving this infrastructure matter has sought advice input from a qualified arborist. Arborist Mr Richie Hill has advised that regarding footpath installation that as there are various treatments available, he held no concerns for the nearby trees.

There are two option considerations for the Committee that relate to the subject infrastructure matter. Council can either install the portion of remaining footpath alongside the northern side of Farley Avenue with the associated cost, as in line with the Structure Plan for the area. Alternatively, in the case of the non-installment of the final portion of footpath through to West Street this would see Council not being in accord with components of the relevant Structure Plan. The Greytown Development Area and associated structure plan was a Council initiated Plan Change providing for the future urban development in the heart of Greytown.

If the land is not purchased now as an owner and Council agreement, Council will have to designate the piece of land in the District Plan for future purchase. It is simpler to purchase the land now than to go through the designation and compulsory land purchase process.

7. Strategic Drivers and Legislative Requirements

7.1 Significant risk register

Not applicable.

7.2 Policy implications

The structure plan for the subject area is now captured as part of the current Wairarapa Combined District Plan.

8. Consultation

Not applicable.

8.1 Partnerships

Not applicable

9. Financial Considerations

With regards to the implementation of the footpath and indicative costs the following advice has been provided by Roading Manager Tim Langley. In terms of the footpath, it involves an area of around 100m length by 1.8m width. The footpath area of 180m² has an associated cost of approximately \$25,000.

Roading operations budgets are available for installing the footpath this financial year. The associated footpath cost is allocated within current budgets. The other related cost is that of the actual land purchase for a portion of 100 West Street.

10. Climate Change Considerations

Not applicable.

11. Health and Safety Considerations

Provision of a permanent footpath on the northern side of Farley Avenue will provide for safe and long-term pedestrian movement between Farley Avenue to West Street.

12. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Decision Notification of Council. Plan Change 9 Structure Plan for the Greytown Development Area including a Designation of Road.

Appendix 2 – Greytown Development Area Structure Plan Diagrams.

Contact Officer: Russell OLeary Group Manager Planning and Environment

Reviewed By: Paul Gardner Interim CEO

Appendix 1 – Decision Notification of Council. Plan Change 9 Structure Plan for the Greytown Development Area including a Designation of Road.



SOUTH WAIRARAPA DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES EXCERPT – DECISION NOTIFICATION

8 August 2018

- Present:** Deputy Mayor Brian Jephson (Chair), Councillors Lee Carter, Margaret Craig, Pam Colenso, Colin Olds, Ross Vickery (until 2:28pm), Colin Wright and Paora Ammunson (from 10:38am).
- In Attendance:** Paul Crimp (Chief Executive Officer) and Suzanne Clark (Committee Secretary) and for part only Mark Allingham (Group Manager Infrastructure and Services), Jennie Mitchell (Group Manager Corporate Support) and Russell O’Leary (Group Manager Planning and Environment).
- Conduct of Business:** The meeting was held in the WBS Room, Greytown Town Centre, Main Street Greytown and was conducted in public between 9:00am and 3:10pm except where expressly noted.

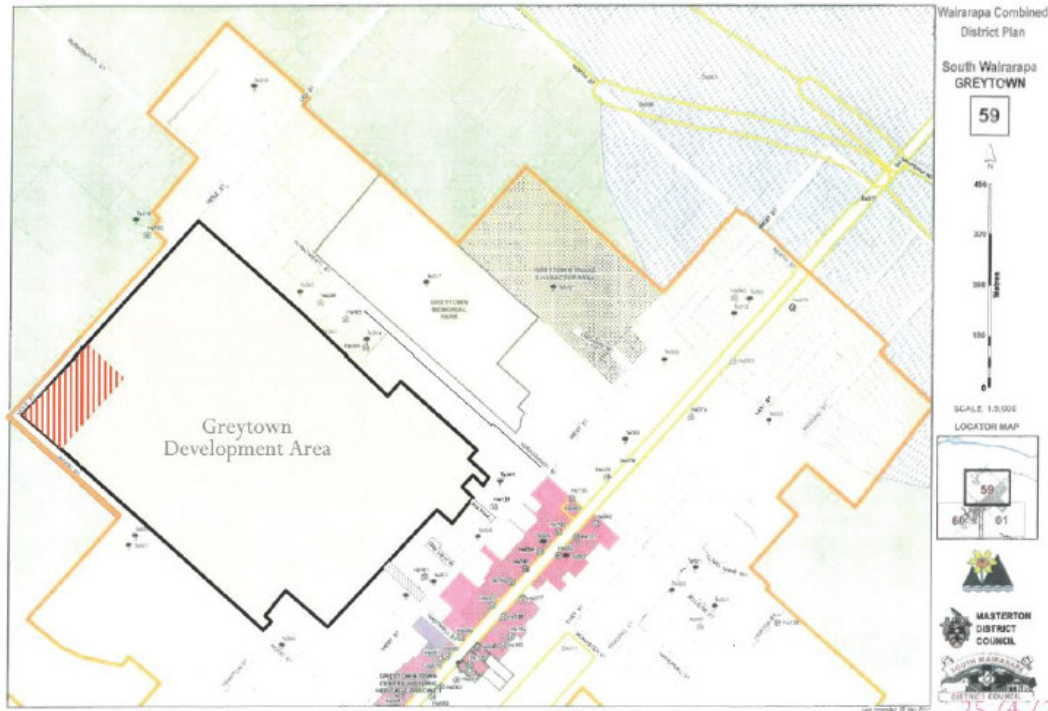
C2. Plan Change 9: Structure Plan for the Greytown Development Area Including a Designation of Road

COUNCIL RESOLVED (DC2018/104):

1. To receive the Plan Change 9: Structure Plan for the Greytown Development Area Including a Designation of Road.
(Moved Cr Wright/Seconded Cr Colenso) Carried
2. To note that the amended roading contribution wording of Appendix 5 of the recommendation has been approved by Commissioner Rob van Voorthuysen and that Council has made the change under clause 16 (2) of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act.
3. To adopt Option 1 for the amended roading contribution wording of clause d) and the explanation of the clause of appendix 5 of the recommendation.
4. To receive the recommendation of the Independent Hearings Commissioner on Plan Change 9 (including a notice of requirement to designate a road to provide access to the Greytown Development Area from West Street).
5. To adopt the recommendation of the Independent Hearings Commissioner as a Council decision and direct officers to notify the decision in accordance with the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Greytown Development Area Structure Plan

Amendment to Planning Map 59



17m wide Designated Road

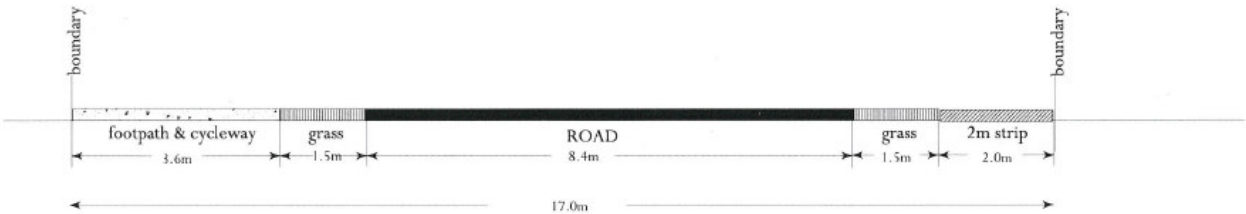
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Appendix 2 – Greytown Development Area Structure Plan Diagrams.

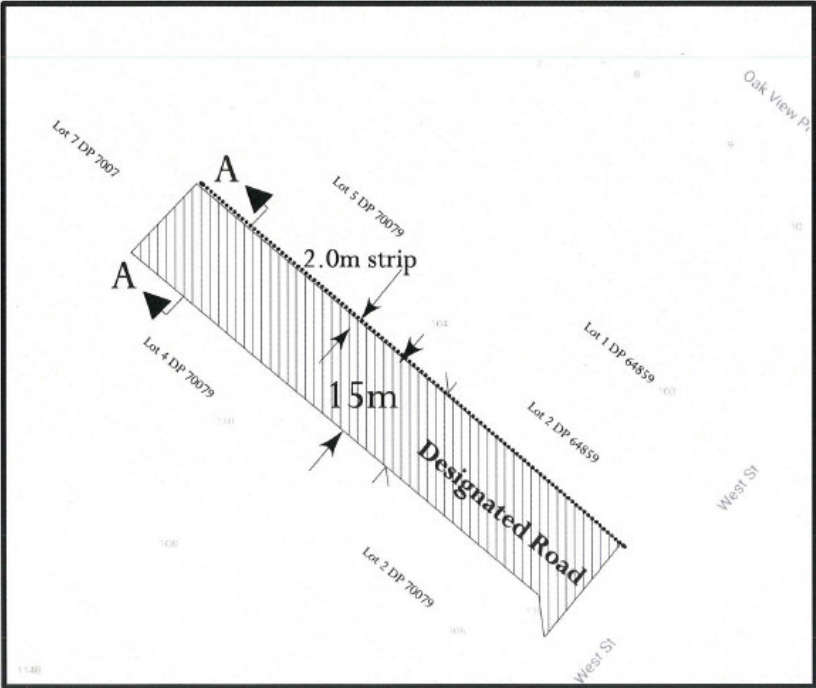
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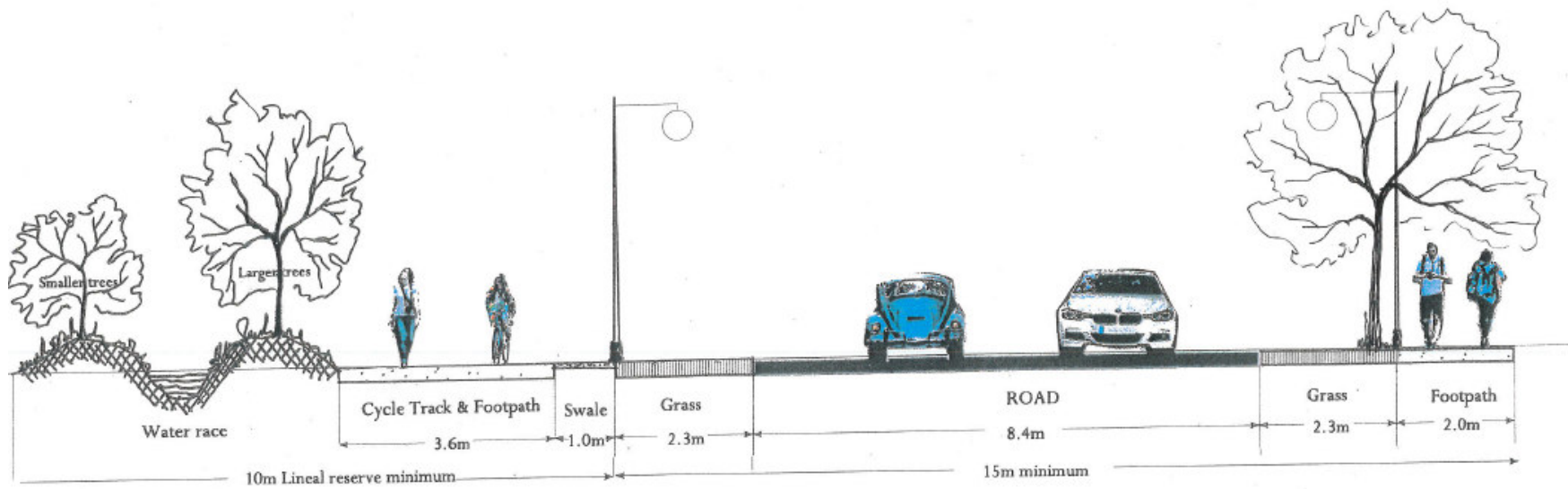
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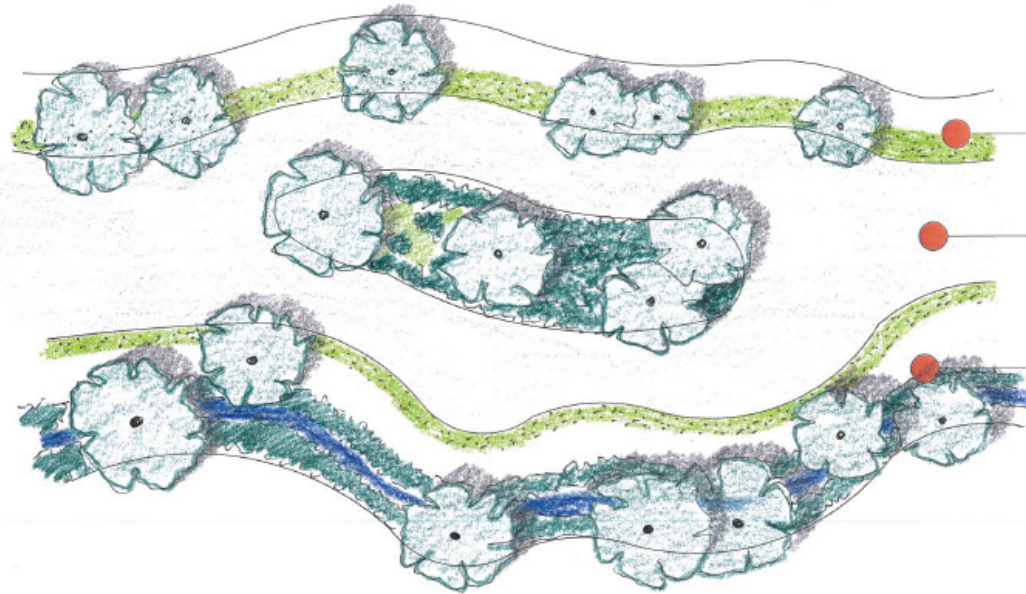
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Greytown Development Area Structure Plan

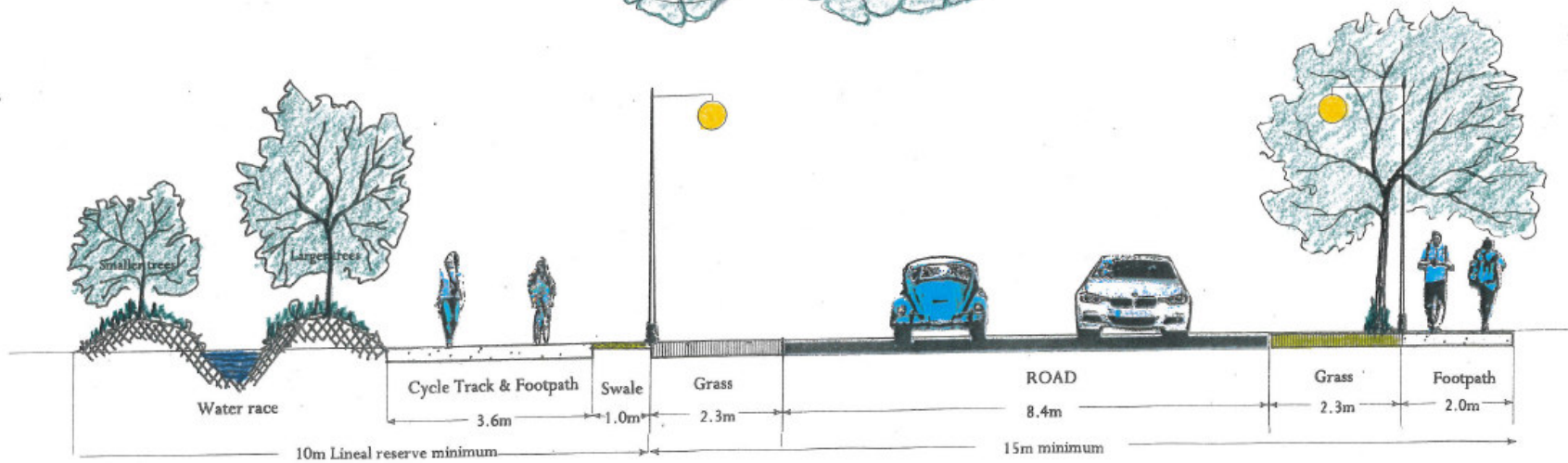
Indicative layout including temporary turn around (s)



4.0m pedestrian & grass verge

8.4m spine collector road

Trees, water race, cycle & pedestrian foot path





banks to water
race also provides
detention dam

water race

planted water race bank

pedestrian footpath
& cycle track

soakage
swale

grass berm

carriageway



Action Items

1. Purpose

To present the Committee with updates on actions and resolutions.

2. Executive Summary

Action items from recent meetings are presented to the Committee for information. The Chair may ask the Chief Executive for comment and all members may ask the Chief Executive for clarification and information through the Chair.

If the action has been completed between meetings it will be shown as 'actioned' for one meeting and then will remain in a master register but no longer reported on. Procedural resolutions are not reported on.

3. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Action Items to 15 November 2023

Contact Officer: Amy Andersen, Committee Advisor

Reviewed By: Russell O'Leary, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Appendix 1 – Action Items to 15 November 2023

Number	Raised Date	Responsible Manager	Action or Task details	Open	Notes
516	27 Oct 21	S Corbett	Work on a health and safety action plan with the Wairarapa Trails Action Group to ensure network safety of the proposed trails and continue discussions on cyclist safety on Underhill Road leading to the Tauherenikau Cycle Bridge.	Open	<p>8/11/21: WTAG chairman Greg Lang, Carterton Mayor is having discussions with SWDC Mayor on a way forward to resolve this problem on both sides of Underhill Road</p> <p>20/12/21: Bridge construction delayed 12-14 weeks (subject to weather).</p> <p>27/1/22: Underhill Road will be included as part of the speed review, other initiatives will be investigated prior to the bridge opening in September.</p> <p>9/3/21: Action amended to include advance changing of speed limit on Underhill Road.</p> <p>20/4/22: Amended - action above deleted.</p> <p>06/05/2022: Officers working to make Underhill Road safe before opening of bridge. Funding applied for. Request to close action.</p> <p>Check with Stefan</p> <p>11/01/22: Action reassigned from A&S to ICS following implementation of new committee structure.</p> <p>25/01/23: Committee Chair requested update required on project, costs for work to be completed, (quote from Pope and Gray), how will this be funded; PGF/Ratepayers or other funding source.</p> <p>1/02/23: Ongoing work to be completed– remains open.</p> <p>18/07/23: The share the road with cyclists signs have been put in on Underhill Road (Greytown and Featherston sides). The Underhill Road road edges have been flattened to allow cyclists to more easily get off the road if needed.</p> <p>20/09/23: Request to examine alternative funding measures, but not a priority.</p>
398	8 Aug 22	S Corbett/ K Ashcroft	To provide further information and costings on the options to manage the water race networks in future and prepare a water race next steps plan for moving forward following the survey results	Open	<p>12/09/2022: On hold until future of water races as stock water supply assets under proposed Natural Resources Plan and NPS confirmed with GWRC</p> <p>11/01/22: Action reassigned from WRS to ICS following implementation of new committee structure.</p> <p>25/01/23: Committee Chair requested update on now that Water races are to remain in Council control and not 3 Waters, should this be combined with numbers 268, 267 and 25 above to resolve issues.</p>

Number	Raised Date	Responsible Manager	Action or Task details	Open	Notes
					01/2/23: Action combined with 267. 20/09/23: Council officers sent an update to members on 11 September via email.
117	13 Apr 23	S Corbett	To request a report from officers on the process of requesting Waka Kotahi to terminate SH53 at the entrance to Martinborough.	Actioned	01/06/23: Action reworded. Original action: To request a report from officers on the process of requesting Waka Kotahi to terminate SH53 at the entrance to Martinborough. 20/09/23: Action closed. Members requested that Council Officers circulate the new traffic management guidelines to all elected members when they are available.
210	1 Jun 23	S Corbett	To request officers provide cost/benefit analysis relating to the SH53 proposal (with Martinborough Business Association), and the Hinekura Road realignment (economic impact on community).	Actioned	5/09/23: This will be reported on at the meeting scheduled for 23 November 2023. As a note there is no operational benefits, and costs include depreciation, pavement, surfacing, Kerb and Channel, streetlight renewals, operational costs, e.g. inspections, streetlight maintenance including power costs, road marking, street sweeping pavement repairs, signage etc. 20/09/23: Action closed. Members requested that Council Officers circulate the new traffic management guidelines to all elected members when they are available.
215	1 Jun 23	A Bradley	To request officers organise a tour for Council members on key facilities to support knowledge and understanding of infrastructure and assets.	Actioned	19/06/23: Email sent to A Bradley for further updates/planning. 20/09/23: To be progressed before the next meeting. 31/10/23: Tour scheduled for 2 November. 02/11/23: Tour completed.



Chairperson's Report

1. Purpose

To update the Infrastructure and Community Services Committee on activities and issues that have occurred since the last meeting.

2. Recommendations

The Chairperson recommends that the Infrastructure and Community Services Committee:

1. Receive the Chairperson's Report.

3. Discussion

3.1 Donald Street Pump Station

Firstly I would like to thank and congratulate Adam Mattsen and the Wellington Water teams for completing the Donald Street pump station and rising main project which was commissioned in late September, 5 months ahead of schedule. This was a significant project valued at \$2.8m which will reduce both the public health and environmental risks from wastewater overflows which have previously occurred in eastern portion of Featherston during heavy rainfall events.

Originally the project to upgrade the Donald Street pump station was scheduled to start in October 2023, but early this year Councillor's acknowledging the public health and environmental risks to Featherston, voted to expand the project by including the rising main which pressurises wastewater to be sent to the treatment plant. This has improved the resilience of the Featherston wastewater system, as well as saving ratepayers \$450,000 by combining the two projects.

Thanks again to all those involved in this project.

3.2 Cape Palliser Road

Secondly, I would like to thank all those involved in advocating for Waka Kotahi to extend the Special Purpose Road funding for the Cape Palliser Road, including Cape Palliser Residents and Ratepayers Association, MP Kieran McAnulty, our Interim CEO Paul Gardner and Councillor's. I think this shows that a team approach has been successful.

Although the extension of funding is only for a further 3 years, I look forward to working with Council staff, residents/ratepayers and Waka Kotahi to identify a sustainable solution to ensure that the route along the Cape Palliser Road remains open well into the future.

Again, thanks for everyone's work campaigning for a successful result.

3.3 Hinekura Road Update

I would also like to share with you that Council have released the Advance Notice of Tender documents for the Hinekura Road Remediation project. This invites qualified and experienced Contractors to partner with a Geotechnical engineer and express their interest to Council and submit tenders before the end of this year.

It is great to see progress as I am well aware that our Hinekura community are anxious for their direct access to Martinborough to be re-instated as soon as possible.

3.4 Acknowledgements

Finally, as this will be our last ICSC meeting for 2023, I would like to thank both Council staff and fellow Councillors for their dedication and work over this last year working on a number of issues, projects across the whole district and consultations for plans/bylaws etc. Thank you.

Prepared By: Councillor Aidan Ellims – Chairperson, Infrastructure and Community Services

Member Report - Transforming the Stella Bull / Old Library Building into a Vibrant Community Space: A vision for Greytown

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to explore innovative ideas for repurposing Greytown's Stella Bull / Old Masonic Lodge / old library building, into a thriving community space. Small towns often face challenges related to dwindling public spaces, community engagement and cultural vibrancy. Converting the old library into a versatile community hub represents an opportunity to address these issues and rejuvenate an old building. This report outlines several ideas that blend traditional and modern elements, catering to a diverse range of interests and age groups.

2. Recommendations

The member recommends that the *Committee*:

1. Receive the Transforming of the Stella Bull / Old Library Building into a Vibrant Community Space Report.

3. Executive summary/Background

The transformation of the old library into a dynamic community space is an opportunity to reinvigorate the space by providing a central gathering place for residents and visitors alike. The primary objectives of this endeavour are to promote community engagement, foster learning and celebrate local culture

- Maori Standing Committee
- Featherston Community Board
- Greytown Community Board
- Martinborough Community Board

4. Discussion

Idea 1: Multi-functional Community Hub

Transform the old library into a multi-functional community hub by dividing the space into various zones:

- Community Meeting space: create a flexible area for town meetings, workshops and local events.
- Co-working Space: Offer shared workspaces for entrepreneurs and remote workers.
- Art Gallery: Showcase local art and host art-related workshops.
- Small Business Incubator: Support local entrepreneurs by providing space for pop-ups or a farmers' market.
 - Children's Corner: Design a child-friendly area with books, educational games and a safe play space.

- Connection to Stella Bull Park: Accommodate outdoor events and activities via a shared program.
- Develop youth programmes that give our rangatahi somewhere to go.

Idea 2: Papawai Cultural and Historical Centre.

Highlight the heritage of local Māori culture and Māoritanga by transforming the old library into a cultural and historical centre:

- Host cultural events, lectures and performances.
- Create exhibits showcasing the mana whenua, history, taonga and notable ancestors, tipuna tāne and tipuna wahine.
- Genealogy Research Centre: Provide resources for tracing family histories.
- Archives: Maintain a small collection of books, focussing on local authors and history.
- Interactive Learning Stations: Include touch-screens and interactive displays to engage visitors.

Idea 3: Green Spaces and Community Gardens

Emphasise the importance of sustainable living and community collaboration.

- Community Garden: work in with Friends of Stella Bull.
- Outdoor Theatre: Performances, Movie Nights, Summer lectures.
- Sustainable Resource Centre: Promote environmental awareness and education.

Idea 4: Technology Centre:

Modernise the building to appeal to tech-savvy residents and encourage lifelong learning:

- Technology lab: Provide access to computers, printers etc.
- Virtual Reality Corner: Offer virtual reality experiences.
- Media Studio: Create a space for podcast recording, video production, graphic design etc.

5. Conclusion

Repurposing the old library into a dynamic community space offers numerous opportunities to revitalise the area. By implementing a combination of these ideas or tailoring them to meet specific needs, we can create a thriving space that promotes community engagement, celebrates its culture, and fosters learning and innovation. This transformation has the potential to become the heartbeat of the town, bringing residents together and enhancing their quality of life.

Prepared by: Councillor Martin Bosley