

MARTINBOROUGH OLD CEMETERY PROJECT

The Old Cemetery in Martinborough has considerable historic value and is an important site for our town. Some upgrading work has been done at the site already, with restoration and repairing of some graves; also rose plantings, an information sign etc.

The SWDC has been approached for support and funding to assist with further restoration of the Cemetery, and we would like the Community Board to:

- #encourage the Council's participation, and
- #possibly provide some funding, if deemed appropriate.

Proposed work includes:

- # Replacing the existing wire fence [Dublin Street and Roberts Road] with a post and rail one similar to that surrounding Considine Park.
- # Construction and erection of a new gate in front of the noticeboard with an archway over it in a design to be in keeping with the post and rail fence.
- # Staining of fence and gate.
- # Laying of a path [ideally lime] joining the existing footpath on Dublin Street into the Cemetery through the new gate and up to the noticeboard. This to be edged with timber or similar.
- # Updating, correcting and possibly adding to existing information in the noticeboard.
- # Producing additional information material about the Cemetery and placing this on the reverse side of the existing noticeboard; with glass cover to match the other side.
- # Repainting the noticeboard.
- # Planting of a climbing rose on each side of the archway over the new gate.
- # Constructing a third rose arch at the rear of the Cemetery to be erected in line with existing ones and west of them. Planting of two climbing roses on this to match the existing two arches. (This arch designed to acknowledge the unmarked graves on the site.)
- #Constructing a rose garden in the Dublin Street/Roberts Road corner. This to be planted with up to nine rose bushes plus two thornless climbing roses to trail along the fence. Surfacing of this garden with suitable mulching to suppress weed growth, retain moisture and allow for fertiliser applications.. Insert an edging if required. (Note: This is a 'Wairarapa Heritage Rose Society' project and is currently under way.)
- # Repairing of burial plots. There are three which are in need of improvements and restoration. Two of these are being done by descendents and families (McLeod and McLaren) The third is the burial site of George Pain (Snr) which needs restoration of the chain fence and a general tidy-up. Preparation and surfacing of the area inside the chain fence with pebbles or similar.
- #Additional general tidying of other burial sites: there are three or four members of the Green family also buried on site, for example, with no descendents. The Daysh and Harris gravesites also need upgrading to complete the Cemetery restoration and beautification.
- # Obtaining and placing of a 'contemplation' bench seat on a suitable site in the Cemetery. There are old seats probably available for donation; and repairs/renovation of a suitable one could be done by the Men's Shed.
- # Erecting of an information plaque/noticeboard outside the new gate detailing the site.

NB: Some of this work is already under way.

From 02 - 08 April next year; there is a New Zealand wide celebration of historic graveyards and cemeteries organised by NZCCC and supported by NZRA. Their aim is to get such public spaces preserved and activated. [www.cemeteriesweek.co.nz]: see below. We consider that this would be an excellent opportunity to celebrate our Old Cemetery and perhaps organise a special occasion/ceremony to involve the public. If so; it would be ideal to have the proposed improvements and developments completed in time for this occasion.

Community Board involvement: We would value the Board's interest in and support of this project, and if these are forthcoming, communication to the Council urging it to fully support the proposals involved in it. In addition, any financial support would be much appreciated.

Mary Doyle
Mate Higginson.

from website: [www.cemeteriesweek.co.nz]

Cemeteries are an essential part of our society. Not only do they provide us with a place to remember and celebrate the people we have lost, but they also provide oases of calm, away from the bustle of everyday life. Some cemeteries are building playgrounds and open spaces where people can linger, and where nature can thrive. Cemeteries Week is about demystifying death and celebrating what cemeteries represent as enduring, welcoming places for people to connect with each other and their communities, and to remember their history, heroes and loved ones.

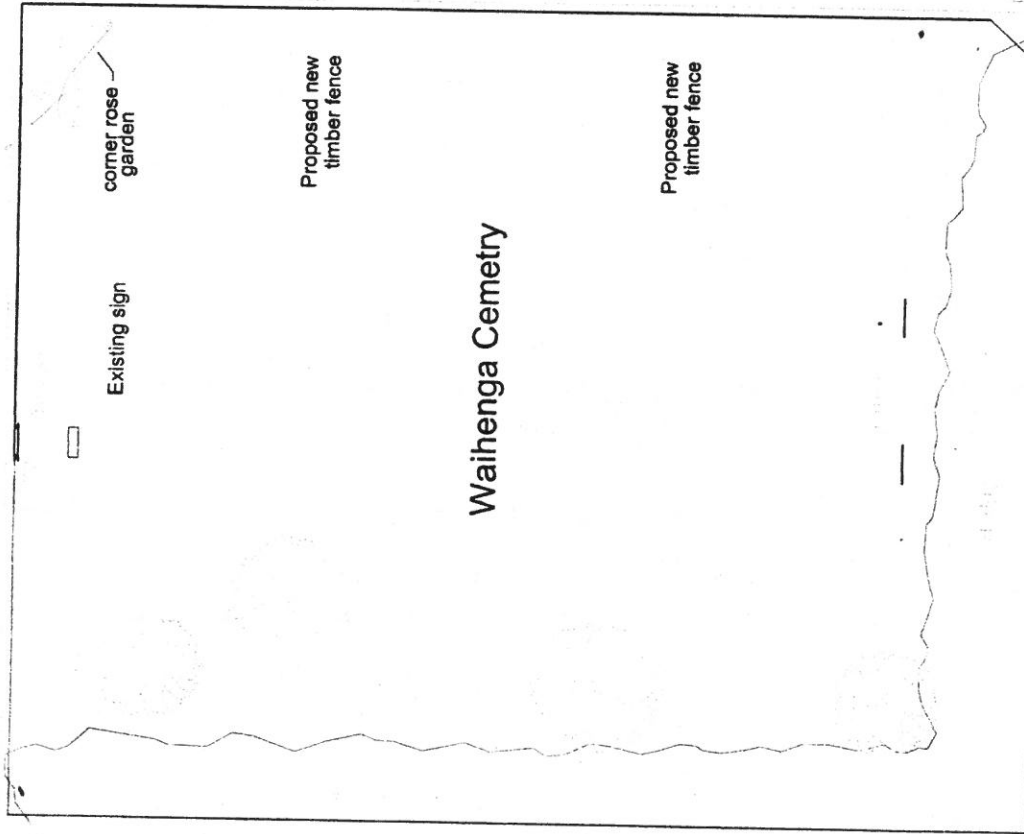
The 2018 event will aim to unify people and organisations from around New Zealand to preserve and activate these key public spaces. Events taking place around the country during Cemeteries Week 2018 will range from heritage walks and open days to live music.

Cemeteries Week is organised by the New Zealand Cemeteries and Crematoria Collective (NZCCC), supported by the New Zealand Recreation Association (NZRA).

Dublin Street

Proposed new
timber fence

Proposed gate,
timber archway
& concrete path



corner rose
garden

Existing sign

Proposed new
timber fence

Waihenga Cemetery

Proposed new
timber fence

Roberts Road

2017 11 23: UPDATE REPORT to MARTINBOROUGH COMMUNITY BOARD

Following on from an email I sent to local artist Allison Hudson, I met with her to discuss the possibility of her undertaking to design and paint a suitable 'picture mural' onto the power box in the Square. In addition, I had informed her about the bus shelter in Ohio Street which we considered being painted with suitable 'street art'.

Allison has offered her services to paint the box in the Square and has done a draft sketch of an idea which she showed me. The design incorporates Flanders Poppies with a washed out background effect incorporating fields and sky. The sketch was done on artists' paper; and is just a quick draft at this stage.

Allison could complete the painting in January or early February [well in time for Anzac Day] and requests only cost of materials.

Personally I was very impressed with the sketch draft; Allison is an outstanding artist and a passionate 'local'.

We discussed the bus stop as well. Allison had some great ideas for that also; but prefers to complete the box first to get more confidence - she has never done work on an outdoor canvas before!

Maree Roy

LTP SESSIONS THAT ARE APPLICABLE TO MARTINBOROUGH COMMUNITY BOARD

EXPERIENCED CAMPAIGNERS

WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2017 3.30PM

Anne Rainford (Greytown)

Concerned about 2 things

- (a) Aging population needing smaller housing units – no land/plans available at present.
We need smaller cheaper housing that will in turn free up larger homes for the market.
- (b) Could be a joint venture between Council and Age Care providers to provide village type facility similar to Roseneath.

Bill Dolan (Arbour House)

Would like to see trends and scope for rationalization with other providers.

Paul

Councils have commissioned some broad economic analysis and will share the results. This could provide the basis for developing a spatial plan. Council and the community would need to be working together in a partnership model.

Question – What is the groups view on the role of Council in providing/maintaining pensioner housing

Prefer the Council to ensure that affordable housing remains available for the elderly and most vulnerable.

Recruitment and retention of medical professionals

Consider the future needs for waste water infrastructure

FARMING & COASTAL

WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2017

5.30PM

C Paton said there were 5 things – his pet projects

- Aorangi Mountain (Aorangi National Park) this is run by a trust and they are aiming to be predator free by 2050. Have been in operation 8 years. Have support from Council. Connecting predator control with Wairarapa Moana and Rimutakas, Collaboration at all levels important. Biggest issue will be in 4 yrs time TV3 will be leaving the party.
- Biking & mountain biking. Wairarapa is 10 yrs behind rest of NZ re biking off road. Need track between Martinborough & Featherston.

- Puruatanga Rd & Princess Street. Biking issues. Wine trail and approx. 350 bikes available for hire. People drive at 100km – this also impacts a number of roads e.g. Cambridge and the Square. Alleviate this by having bikes off road – these could be lime tracks.
- Bidwills Cutting – Need to slow traffic down before they get to the intersection. Traffic could double in 10 years especially if more sections are opened up.

M Guscott

- Environmental projects on farms and catchments are good for social moral. Planting in Ponatahi Road and working towards completing the rest of the valley.
- Keep improving infrastructure within the town.
- Connectivity in the country – encourage support for these.
- Transport links for getting to Wellington – to encourage people to live and work here and also bring younger people back to the area.
- Zoning for food production – Market town as a food destination. Niche food production ventures to be encouraged.

C Paton & M Guscott

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SERVICE USERS

THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2017

3.30PM

- Would like a WCDP Review to see planning done properly. Would like Martinborough town plan reviewed with residential and industrial.
- Spatial Planning will be critical to mitigate promote plan changes.
- Very important to look after productive land.
- Concerned about the rules and regulations for the CBD of each town.
- Land prices are being pushed up by unavailability of sections
- Spatial planning can be an activity in the LTP
- A1 has done 50 builds in SW in last 14 months. Bought 30 new families into SW.
- More ½ or ¼ acre sections should be allowed under the district plan.
- Future residential development should be on non-productive land.
- Community, through Council should be proactive to bring back the control of development.
- Real costs of this must be communicated to Council.
- Prospective new residents want: -

- a. Good transport
 - b. Good communications
 - c. Good services
 - d. Strong communities
- Important for each town to develop and promote strong identities and values.
 - Community Partnerships will be important to future well being.
 - Council funding is not the only answer to developing community
 - Towns need to be camper van friendly.
 - Relationship between Council and community is important.
 - Make the LTP process more 'live'. Design it as a living document and get in touch with the community more frequently.
 - Council needs to make it easy for members of the community to 'connect the dots'.
 - Council needs to know the needs of different sectors of the community and plan accordingly.
 - Urgent to do more spatial planning.
 - Improved communication is urgent. Council needs to have full time dedicated resource (professional).

BUSINESS AND TOURISM

THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2017

5.30PM

- Natural resources "Dark Sky" great starry nights. Tourist June/July. Pleased with support from Council re changing street lights.
- Cycling, walking, running (all year round) through Forrest parks using natural resources. Brings business to area.
- Removing barriers to do things – fees make it too hard to hold events. Need to speed up process and remove barriers.
- UFB
- Need support regarding the bridge – evidence can be provided regarding people cancelling bookings. Cyclists on bridge a real issue as well. Closures hurting the Martinborough Brand – info and directions on alternative routes urgently needed.
- NZTA 10-year plan. Lack of reliance or drive for this plan. Trains and buses – need to make our voice heard – Wgtn talks louder and gets things done. Proposal for Wairarapa line is changing platform times. Also looked at not stopping at Waterloo but this is not going ahead. No funding for tourism on the trains. Problem other transport meeting trains, especially at the weekend.
- Wellness for all ages. Youth had nothing to do. Some attending Uni in Wgtn & working part time – choice taken away re housing in Wgtn (none available). Support needed for dual purpose ventures such as the one Alan Maxwell is running in Fstn. Problems connecting with youth to find out what they want.
- Housing and section stock a real issue – only 3 sections available in Martinborough.
- Social housing – have pensioner housing need to look to future to provide extra housing. Borrow to build and recover this with rent. Either keep existing housing or get rid of it – don't do nothing. Need for social housing for those less fortunate.

YOUTH

TUESDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2017 3.30PM

Anne is working to bridge the gap between youth and older members of the community. Working with Kuranui College & Greytown Trust Land Trust to have students assist older members of the community to be more computer literate. This is proving difficult.

Gina suggested that working with year 9–11 students rather than 11-14 yrs.

Maisie felt the 9-11 yrs would be best, they would not need to be paid nor get NCEA credits

Discussion followed on the Vulnerable Childrens Act, Protection of Youth and Older citizens, MOU with Reap and Schools.

Maisie felt there should be more access to counselling for teens with mental health issues. Knowing where to go and this being accessible – education was needed.

Viv to speak to DHB on how they do this.

Youth Connection Group in Masterton, no access or provision in South Wairarapa. Important youth workers go with the Students to appointments. Susan Perry runs CAMS.

Advocacy would be the best way Council could assist.

Have children going to the older citizen – ie Wharekaka or Arbour House.

Youth 'Drop in Centre'

Rangitane provide social workers in schools a push needed to have in them in South Wairarapa schools.

Break Down barriers between youth, Community Boards and Council. Have a voice on 3 CB's and Council. Look to year 8 as they are amazing. Maisie interested in being on both CB and Council in youth advisory role.

Swimming pools are essential as children needs to learn to swim. Clubs needed. Night swims in Mba for people coming home from train. Extend pool hours. Advertising if pool is closing. Community life savers funded by Council/CB. Have gold coin donation for extra hours. Children to run Kiosk in Fstn – could be school or sports group fundraiser. Triathlon in each town at the pool

BMX Track in Martinborough (Considine Park)

E Waste collection – have this say twice a year. Also recycling of household batteries.

SPORT/RECREATION

TUESDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2017 5.30PM

- Opportunities for young or old to be active. Pools a great place for fitness – a year-round pool would be ideal. Open early morning and late afternoon/evening. Ideal for those wanting to learn to swim.
- Solar energy to heat pool – a lot of schools are closing their pools or don't have one.

- Present time missing out as closed during winter months, but create awareness of the slip/slop/slap program during summer.
- Cycling is a growing leisure activity – this can be individual or family. Cycle trails take people off the highway. No berm on country roads which makes them dangerous. Especially the loose gravel on the sides of roads.
- Signage to indicate cyclist are using these roads. Have bitumen strip on side of road for cyclists.
- Access from Featherston to Martinborough – Bridge is an issue. NZTA has help funding with the swing bridge in Featherston.
- Have Council complete a ‘stock take’ of all facilities within the South Wairarapa. Ideal to have multi-purpose facilities able to be used 12 months of the year.
- \$40k put aside to roll out a sport Administrator covering all sports within the South Wairarapa – this would make access to funding easier. At the moment all sports clubs are going it alone, it would need a coordinated approach to have the clubs to work together.
- Start debate across the 3 towns to develop different sports in each town, e.g. Greytown - cricket, Featherston- swimming, Martinborough – rugby
- Presently sports grounds/facilities are spread throughout the town – idea to bring all of these to the one location (i.e. – Martinborough with Golf and Squash in the one area, could also have bowls, raffle range etc. there as well). This could free up land within the urban area. Needs leadership to drive this. Council could provide meeting rooms and facilitators to come to an understanding of community needs.
- Some of the most successful ventures have come from partnerships with private investors.
- Communication is essential so that visitors are aware of the facilities here. Council website to have link to other websites. Produce booklet for all new residents.

MAORI/IWI

MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2017 4.30PM

- For SW to grow the key area is tourism. Improve quality of Lake Wairarapa. Cycle track needs improvement – major link to and from Wgtn on the Incline cycle trail. Opportunity for tourism to cater for these people.
- Jobs in Martinborough – it’s a start for youth to be involved -good recognition towards CV’s. Lots of adverts around looking for staff in cafes and vineyards. Any employment is good providing students are learning and getting work experience, even if just over the school holidays.
- Masterton has good tertiary providers but youth are leaving the area. South Wairarapa provide some form of tertiary education to enable youth to get qualifications so they stay in the area.
- Students leave school with no self-confidence. Kuranui have “Gateway” ½ week going for work experience and ½ in the classroom. This goes towards credits. \$25k Council

gave to Alan Maxwell for youth in Fstn/Mba to be used to give them incentive to go further. Start to get into good work habits.

- Good idea to have licence testing in South Wairarapa. Trying to get this through schools and is for the learners licence – the problem now is funding and obtaining further licence endorsements i.e. Provisional licence, full licence, truck licence or any other endorsement to allow them to get employment. Successful at Kuranui and will continue in 2018. 80% of jobs require a drivers licence.
- Council can advocate and push and talk to people to tell communities what is needed and discover what job are out there so training can be implemented
- Outreach of UCOL in South Wairarapa – bring trainers to the children
- Suicide highest in youth in Wairarapa. Care about people who live here we (the Council) care about their future. Young people don't see a future.

MCB Budget July 2017 to June 2018

Updated 16 November 2017

INCOME

Carried Forward	7,575.09
Annual Plan	26,868.00
TOTAL INCOME	34,443.09

EXPENDITURE

Members Salaries	15,914.00
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General Expenses

Community Board Levy	166.67
Miscellaneous	200.00
Total General Expenses	366.67

Strategic Objectives

A Vibrant Martinborough Town Centre

Waihinga Centre	
Contingency for community engagement	500.00
Christmas	
Christmas Parade funding including fees	890.00 Increased from \$650
Martinborough Banners	
Provision for banner hanging	600.00
Youth - Basketball hoop repairs	tbc Costs unkown

An Engaged, Involved Community

Fireworks	542.00 \$500 plus \$42 SWDC fees
Matherapa	200.00
WW1 Commemorations	1,000.00
Poppy Road signs Project	0.00 Costs unknown
Community Engagement	500.00 Each survey will cost in the region of \$150
TOTAL STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	4,232.00

Financial Assistance

May 2017 grant fwd Citizens Advice	350.00
May 2017 grant fwd Netball Club	950.00
Sept 2017 Boomerang Bags	500.00
Sept 2017 Friends of Martinborough Library	500.00
November Grants	5,000.00
May Grants Pool	5,000.00
Total Financial Assistance	12,300.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	32,812.67
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BUDGETTED SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	1,630.42
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Town Beautification

Martinborough Beautification Budget cfwd	40,980.00
Martinborough Beautification Budget 2017/18	10,710.00
Budget	51,690.00

Less Commitments:

Waihinga Centre Stage 2	30,000.00
Martinborough Mural Walk	3,000.00
Balance	18,690.00