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Chair's report to the Members of Thorndon Residents' Association for the year ended 31 March 2017.

Community Response Plan

This year the Association has continued to develop the Community Response Plan in conjunction with Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO).

We held a successful planning meeting with members of the Thorndon Community in June 2016 < https://www.thorndon.org.nz/community-resilience-workshop/>

Graffiti

We continue to support the Wellington City Council's initiatives towards Graffiti removal and commend their initiatives and mobile app for reporting – see http://wellington.govt.nz/services/rates-and-property/property/graffiti/report-graffiti

Traffic Report

Progress on changes to parking zones and the anomalous Thorndon parking restrictions remains frustratingly slow. We are grateful to Councillor Young for her help in facilitating meetings with Council staff.

Finances

The financial statement in the simplified format approved for small charities is circulated with this report. We did not apply for a Wellington City grant during the financial year and maintained our services to the community from subscriptions, reserves and newsletter sponsorship. Website maintenance is high as two annual payments were made during the financial year. Receipts totalled \$805, payments \$2981 and the end of year position is a balance at the bank of \$1131.

General

Your committee has continued to monitor activity around Thorndon and has met with Cr Young to discuss these and other matters impacting on the Thorndon Community with a view to seeking suitable solutions.

Sometimes we co-opt members or residents to help. A recent example has been representation of the TRA at a series of WCC initiated community meetings about impacts on Thorndon following the

2016 Kaikoura earthquakes. We appreciate Chrissy Murcott's representation at recent meetings. The result has been the interesting insights published on our website https://www.thorndon.org.nz/thorndon-community-meetings/

We thank our past Chair, William Neal for his support and service.

We also extend our thanks to The Thorndon Hotel for providing us with a venue for our AGM, WREMO for its support of our community resilience planning and our newsletter sponsors, Katie Underwood of Leaders, Matthew Underwood, Chartered Accountants and The Chippery.

In the coming year we are embarking on a new partnership to produce the community newsletter and we look forward to the opportunity that will provide.

Marion Cowden Chair May 2017