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Chair's report to the Members of Thorndon Residents' Association for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The year was dominated by what could not be done due to Covid-19 but what was achieved is outlined here.

Community Disaster Response

We had planned, with Wellington Regional Emergency Management Officers to hold a community exercise at the Thorndon Community Hub (located at Thorndon school) but Covid-19 restricted such activity. Committee representatives met regularly with WREMO officers.

Queen's Park

Your committee continues to support Peter Steel and other residents in their pursuit of a solution to the long-term neglect of Queen's Park. Despite restrictions several working bees were held. A number of supporters generously made donations to enable plants, as recommended by the adviser engaged by council, to be purchased and planted. Working bees continue as does liaison with Council officers

Traffic Report

Progress on changes to parking zones and the anomalous Thorndon parking restrictions remains frustratingly slow.

Thorndon School Land Swap

The physical changes including the footpath between Hobson Crescent and Turnbull St have been carried out.

Spatial Plan

We made a submission to Council on the Spatial Plan and representatives have met regularly since then with representatives of the Thorndon Society to progress issues of mutual concern.

Ongoing communication

We continue to publish the Thorndon Tribune and deliver a copy to all households in Thorndon but publication in the past year was limited to one issue. Our website www.thorndon.org.nz provides additional information.

Finances

The financial statement in the format approved for small charities is circulated with this report. There are no unusual matters to report.

General

This will be my last AGM with you as chair as I am stepping down.

We continue to seek help from others in our community. If you are interested in a role on the committee or assisting with preparing the newsletter, or other activities please contact us. Details are on the website.

We extend our thanks to you, our members, for your support, Wellington City Council for its financial support, Anita Henderson of i4Design for her work on maintaining and updating our website, and Tommy's Real Estate for newsletter sponsorship and financial support. We also thank our ward councillors for their continued support and assistance and the Principal of Thorndon School for his co-operation and help.

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