

HERITAGE GRANT APPLICATION



1. Full name of ~~organisation, group, or individual~~:

Margaret Wells

2. Address of organisation, group, or individual:

20 Serpentine Valley Road, Waihao Downs 7977.

3. Name and address of contact person:

As above.

Telephone number: Day 03 689 6405

Night

Email busyasabee@waihaodowns.co.nz

4. Are you GST registered?

Yes

Do **NOT** include GST in your budget*

☒ No

Include GST in your budget

GST number:

5. Objectives of your organisation (use separate sheet if necessary).

Restoration of historic homestead & environs

6. Describe the project for which you are seeking financial assistance (use separate sheet if necessary).

See attached letter

7. Project timeline.

6 days

Start date:

very shortly

Completion date:

6 days thereafter.

*If you are GST registered we will contact you for a GST invoice after the grant decision has been made

8. What is your organisation's contribution to the project
(please include both financial and volunteer contribution)?

Many hours over the last 8-9 years clearing
the old carriageway, plus financial contribution.

Total own contribution: (8) \$ 5,072.00

9. Please detail all other sources of funding received relevant to this project

Nil

Total other funding: (9) \$

10. Have you applied to any other organisation for funding for this project? No.

Result date (if known)	Grant	Amount Requested
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11. Please detail the complete costs of the project. Please include at least two quotes where relevant.
(If you are GST registered do not include the GST.)

Please see attachment D
Reinstate carriageway \$6072-

Total project cost:	\$ 6,072.00
Less own contribution:	(8) \$ —
Less other funding:	(9) \$ —
Total requested from Council:	\$ 1,000.00

12. Has your organisation previously received a grant from Council within the last five (5) years?
If so, state years received and amounts.

Year	Grant	Amount
2019	Heritage	\$1,000-

13. Who will benefit from the grant to your organisation?

Please see attached letter.

YOUR DECLARATION

We hereby declare that the information supplied in this application is correct. If the application is successful, we agree to provide an accountability report with receipts (which will be sent to us with our grant) stating that the funding received has been spent on the project/programme/service or activity stated in this application. We also agree to participate in any funding audit of our organisation conducted by Waimate District Council.

We also consent to Waimate District Council collecting, retaining and using the personal contact details of the persons listed in this application. We confirm that we obtained the consent of the persons listed in this application to provide these details and we have the authority to commit the organisation to this application. We acknowledge our right to have access to this information. This consent is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993.

Name: Margaret Wells.

Signature of applicant:

Position of signatory: Property owner

Date: 17.2.20

Checklist

Have you:

- Answered every question? ✓
- Attached at least two quotes where relevant? ✓
- Attached a copy of your most recent reviewed Annual Accounts (not older than 12 months)? N/A.
- Attached proof of bank account number (printed/verified deposit slip or bank statement)? ✓
- Attached all other relevant documents? ✓
- Returned your accountability form (if you have previously received a grant)? ✓

QUESTIONS AND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS

Grant Administrator

Phone: 03 689 7771

Email: info@waimatedc.govt.nz

Drop into:

Waimate Information Centre

15 Paul Street

Waimate

Post to:

Waimate District Council

P O Box 122

Waimate 7960

WAIHAO DOWNS HOMESTEAD

16 February, 2020.

The Chairman
Grants Committee
Waimate District Council
P.O. Box 122
WAIMATE 7960.

Dear Sir,

**RE: APPLICATION FOR HERITAGE AND RECREATIONAL TRACKS
FUNDING
WAIHAO DOWNS HOMESTEAD**

I am writing to seek a heritage grant to assist with the cost of reinstating the original carriageway into the grounds of the Waihao Downs homestead. If a heritage grant is not available, then I seek a general grant from the Council.

As the Committee would likely be aware, the property in question is one of the earliest holdings in the Waimate District and also one of the earliest sheep runs in South Canterbury. The homestead itself has a 'B' heritage classification, while the stone stables have a 'C' rating. In its heyday the property was of quite grand proportions and was the centre of industry and social life in the Waihao Downs area. However, over the decades the property was allowed to become quite rundown and has been the subject of various renovations and attempts at modernization.

As the current owners of the property, Mr William Glen and I have been at pains to restore, as best we have been able, as much of the history of the house and surrounds as possible. This has included, inter alia, uncovering and reinstating the cellar and remediating the ballroom, as well as replacing ceilings, ceiling roses, floors, walls, fireplaces, the veranda, the hallway arch and so on. It has been a mammoth and very expensive, but most satisfying, venture.

Now that the house is all but finished, it is our intention to reinstate the original carriageway into the property. At the time we purchased the property, I remarked to Mr Glen that the current driveway into the place seemed to be wrong and it was as if the property had its underpants on backwards. I was confident there was another road into the property and sure enough, after some detective work, we found it. However, it had been allowed to fall into total disrepair and neglect, and had been all but obliterated from the landscape.

Since purchasing the property in 2011 we have successively cleared the land to uncover the full extent of the carriageway, which measures some 340 metres in length. In the process of doing so, we have had to remove old fences, gates, trees,

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random wire tangles, branches, piles of rubbish, stacks of bricks, lots of broken glass, undergrowth etc. We also had an arborist carefully prune and shape the remnant of the original buxus hedge near the entrance, which had become very large and ungainly.

The carriageway commences approximately 100 metres from the corner of Serpentine Valley Road and SH 82, and winds through the grounds, past the front of the house, through a heavily wooded section and emerges near the stone stables. It then connects up with the more modern driveway, with egress onto Serpentine Valley Road some 200 metres from the aforementioned corner. The enclosed Google Earth download, **Attachment 'A'**, shows the location of the carriageway relative to SH 82 and Serpentine Valley Road and the enclosed photographs show the current ground view of the carriageway: **Attachment 'B'**.

It is proposed that once reinstated, the carriageway will be a speed limited one-way road, starting at the original entrance to the property and exiting at the existing entrance to the property.

When the new stock fences were installed, we had the old wooden gates returned to their original position at the start of the carriageway and had a local woodsman craft some 'new' wooden posts to match the original ones. I have retained all of the old totara posts with the tapered tops and plan to use them as road markers along the reinstated carriageway. The original picket fence, situated further inside the property, was also repaired and reinstated. Unfortunately the gates belonging to this portion of the carriage way had been hidden under piles of branches and rubbish and had rotted to the point of being completely unusable.

Although cleared of all obstructions and debris, the surface of the carriageway has become fully grassed over, although it is possible, in places, to see the old gravel surface underneath: **Attachment 'C'**. It is proposed to have the existing surface re-graded, compacted and regravelled and to that end we have obtained a quote from Andy Burroughs to undertake the work: **Attachment 'D'**.

We have selected him to do this work because he has come highly recommended; he is sympathetic to the feel of the property and the nature of the work; and because his machinery (a 1.8 tonne digger and a small truck) won't crush the lateral roots of the various old trees that line the carriageway. I appreciate that the grants criteria requests two quotes if possible, but since it is not our intention to have anyone else do the work it seems pointless to seek a quote from somebody else.

Once the regrading and regravelling work has been completed, I will be able to finish the landscaping at the front of the house and either side of the 'new' carriageway. With this in mind, I have propagated the plants that will be needed to re-create the original English look of the garden, although the plantings will also include NZ natives to support our local birdlife. In due course, once all of

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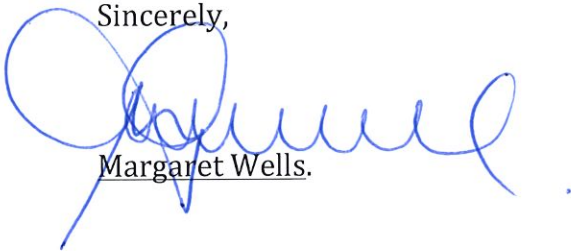
the landscaping has been completed, we would expect the property to be enjoyed by various gardening clubs and perhaps groups such as the vintage motor car club.

In support of my application for a grant, please find enclosed photographs of portions of the carriageway when it was still in reasonably good order: **Attachment 'E'**. My speculation is that they pre-date 1994, at a time when the property was still owned by the Henshaws. (Incidentally, according to Barry Henshaw, the carriageway in its entirety has not been used since 1945 or thereabouts when his grandfather purchased the property.)

In conclusion, Mr Glen and I are of the firm view that to reinstate the original carriageway is the final act of kindness to this grand old lady and the Council's assistance in achieving this outcome would be particularly appreciated.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,



Margaret Wells.

Encl. Attachments 'A' to 'E'
Heritage Grant Application Form
Printed deposit slip.

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250 feet 50 m

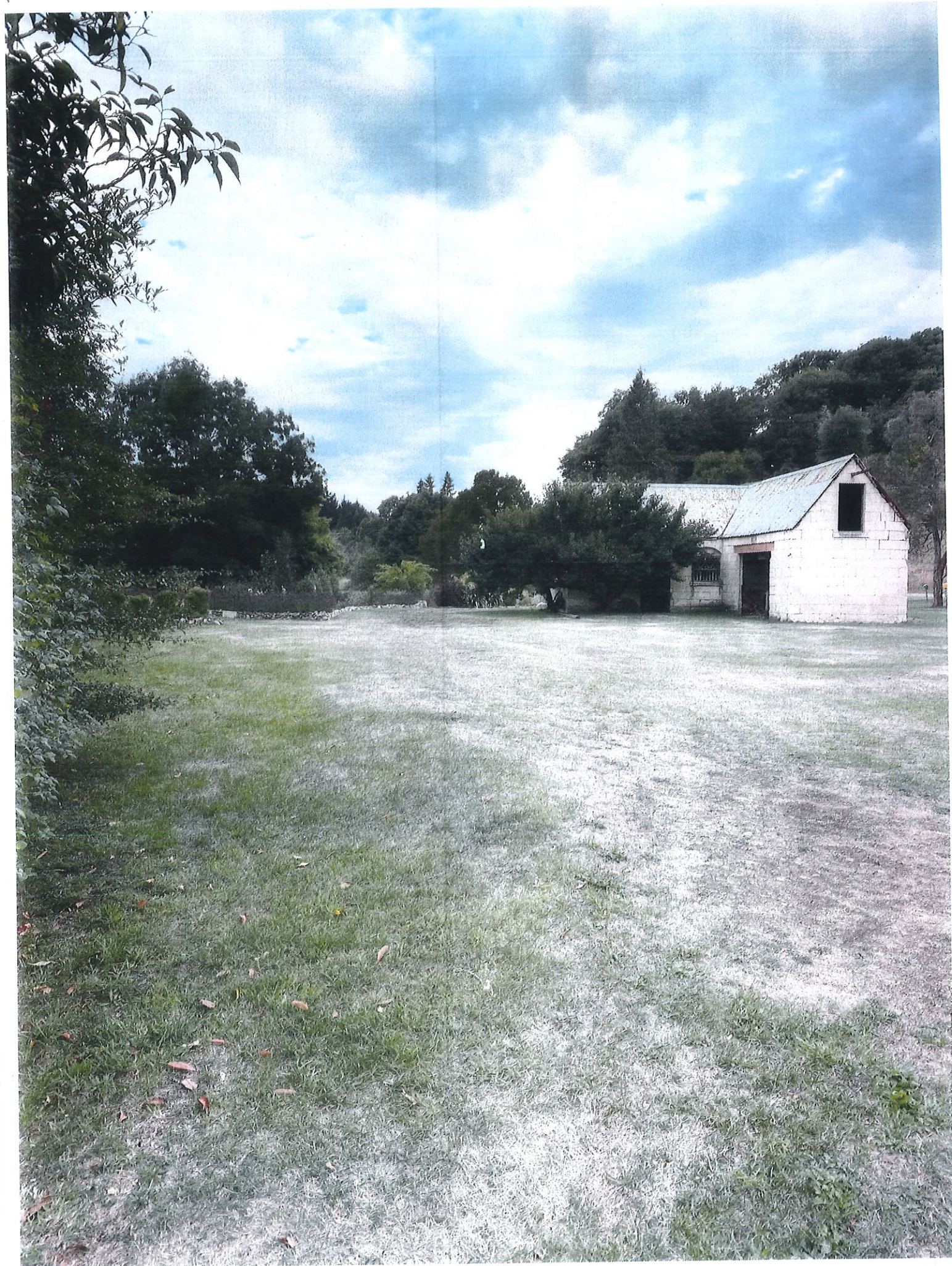


Carriageway entrance.











Serpentine Valley
Road.
Existing
driveway.



TAX INVOICE**ANDY'S MINI DIG**

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RD8 Waimate

Phone: 027 430 2804

A/H: 03 689 2797

Quote for Margaret Wills
20 Serpentine Valley rd
Waimate

Ref/Order No.

No. 1200

Recurbishment of existing carrage way		
length 30 mtrs by 4.0 mtr wide 50mm topping of AP20 approx 68 m ³	\$ 2580	
6 Days Labour Truck Digger Hire @ 450 + GST a day	\$ 2700	
Note: Gravel Price may be less worked out at the top end		

BNZ**02 0892 0028323 000**

Payment in full is to be made by the 20th day of the following month.

Interest at the rate of 2.5% per month on any outstanding balance of this account will be charged after this due date until the account is settled in full.

Any legal costs incurred in the recovery of any outstanding balance will also be charged against this account.

TOTAL EX. GST \$ 5280

GST \$ 792

TOTAL INC. GST \$ 6072

Recova Contracting & Excavation

recova@icloud.com

027-466-3301

Quotation

Margaret Wells

As discussed with you regards to reinstate carriage way , appox 340 metres in length .

clean off tuff and reshape as required to form base of lane way , spread AP20 product to form top capping with crown to prevent puddles or potholes .

60 m3 AP20 @\$23.50/tonne	\$2350.00
15 machine hrs @\$140.00	\$2100.00
7 truck hrs on site @\$110.00	\$770.00
Travel	\$320.00
Float shift machinery to site	\$350.00

Total	\$5890.00 + gst
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With thanks

Steve

