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Westport most beautiful small town in New Zealand

Local councillors are thrilled to have received national acknowledgement of the Westport streetscape project.

Westport's top small town award arrived yesterday, along with a cheque for \$1,500.

"Its great to get recognition of all of the hard work undertaken by the community working group," says Chair of the Streetscape working group, Lynley Roberts. "First prize for towns with under 8,000 people is a great achievement."

The prize money will be added to the Buller Arts and Recreation Trust fund.

The streetscape project has improved the Palmerston/Brougham Street intersection, with stone planter walls (which will incorporate tiles designed by local people) native plantings and seating. Two shelters have been erected, and improvements to the existing security camera system on Palmerston Street have been completed. The new Westport street flags also went up last week.

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Photo attached: Councilors Lynley Roberts (Chair of Streetscape working group) and Kathryn Bainbridge (Chair of Buller Arts and Recreation Trust) with award for most beautiful small town in New Zealand.