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REPORT SUMMARY

Report to: Engineering Services Committee
Meeting Date: 26 April 2012
Author: Cr Trevor Norriss
Subject: **Chairman's Report**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the Chairman's regular meeting report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Chairman's Report RESC12-04-01.

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1. Welcome

- 1.1 Welcome to today's meeting. Most of us will have been immersed in reading submissions to the Long Term Plan and by the time of this meeting will have listened to a number of these submissions being presented.

2. Amalgamation

- 2.1 Also by the time of this meeting we will know the results of the amalgamation poll and whether the results are in keeping with our personal views. We must respect the result and get on with the job we were elected to do as District Councillors in working collectively for the benefit of our District for the rest of this term. This costly sideshow has been a very destructive process for all involved. We need to move on and try and repair the damage that it has caused not only to us as a Council but to our staff and our community

3. Resource Consent Process

- 3.1 After being involved with Selwyn Steedman in the process of getting a resource consent and building permit for a community project it is no wonder that the public get frustrated with this process. I intend meeting with Adrian Humphries, the Acting Chief Executive and appropriate staff to find more efficient ways of progressing these issues. This is especially important now that builders are required to be registered.
- 3.2 If structures are built to the required standard then surely we should be able to free up the process.

4. Rivers Work

- 4.1 I am pleased to report that work is progressing with some of the remedial work in the Aorere River. Those of you who attended the site visit in February will be aware of some of the issues with this river.

5. General

- 5.1 The Mapua wastewater pumping station upgrade has hit a few issues including an archaeological find but is now progressing. It is good to see the regular project updates that staff are sending to the Mapua business community and also Ward Councillors. I am pleased to see the effort being put into communications for our projects throughout the district.
- 5.2 The Regional Land Transport Programme is now out for public consultation and will be presented to Council for sign-off on 27 June 2012.
- 5.3 Finally I would like to thank all staff who are involved with the flooding recovery work. Much of this work will take years to completely repair and in many cases will be dependant on Council approving the budgets to allow the work to proceed. This is a rather frustrating process for all but I am confident that over time we will achieve a good result.

6. Recommendation

- 6.1 That this report is received.

7. Draft Resolution

- 7.1 THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Chairman's Report RESC12-04-01.**