# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Community Services Committee

**FROM:** Community Services Manager

**DATE:** 8 May 2009

**SUBJECT:** Community Services Manager's Report

### STAFF

Since the last meeting staff have been busy catching up on work that had been put on hold during the LTCCP process. We are now having to deal with the many various submissions to the LTCCP so that staff are in a position to report to Council when considering these submissions.

We are doing our best to minimise any delay in the many projects staff are working with. However, there will always be members of the public who will be unhappy about the time it takes to complete some projects.

During the month we have welcomed our new Libraries Manager, Catherine Bryham, and Councillors will have the chance of meeting Catherine when she presents the Libraries Report at the meeting.

### **RURAL FIRE MATTERS**

The PRFO's report for the month of April is attached for Councillors information.

The renewal of the contract with Rural Fire Network is currently being negotiated.

### TASMAN REGIONAL SPORTS TRUST

The new Chief Executive Officer, Nigel Muir, has now commenced work with the Trust and is very keen to build on the good relationship we have had with the Trust. With this in mind, arrangements have been made for regular meetings involving Nigel, Susan Coleman (NCC) and myself to ensure we are all working together on various issues and projects.

## **TODAY'S MEETING**

Because of Councillors' workloads with LTCCP hearings, we have attempted to keep business for today's meeting to the minimum.

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