

## REPORT

**TO: Councillors**

**FROM: Mayor R Kempthorne**

**DATE: 2 December 2010**

**SUBJECT: Mayor's Report for October/November 2010 - RCN10-12-04**

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### **19 October**

Workshop held for newly elected Tasman District Councillors and Community Board members.

Attended Federated Farmers meeting in Appleby

### **20 October**

Connections Youth Providers Forum at Motueka.

Tasman/Nelson Land and Water Forum engagement meeting held at Seifried conference centre. 110 attended, one of the best turnouts so far.

### **21 October**

Full Council meeting – swearing in of elected members

### **22 October**

Opening of Ruby Bay Bypass.

Swearing in of Motueka Community Board

### **23 October**

Treaty settlement signing at Te Hora Marae for the Crown and Ngati Kuia

### **26 October**

Nelson Airport Annual General Meeting

### **28 October**

Full Council meeting including citizenship ceremony

### **29 October**

Attended celebrations at Greenwood Kindergarten for achieving a Bronze Enviroschools award

Attended Nelson Tasman Tourism Annual General Meeting

Cawthron Institute Lecture

**1 November**

Attended Mayoral reception for Wine Discovery New Zealand in Christchurch

**3 November**

Launch of driveway runover kit with Plunket and Mayor Miccio.

Meeting with Junior Leaders at Motueka High School and helped prepare an afternoon tea of cheese muffins .

Launch of Jazzfest 2011

**4 November**

Zone 5 meeting, Christchurch.

Public meeting in Takaka with concerned business owners, regarding the scheduling of work on the firefighting water upgrade. Resolved the start date for the work in Commercial Street.

**5 November**

Opening of revamped Motueka Recreation centre, attended by MP Hon Nathan Guy, MP Chris Auchinvole, MP Damien O'Connor, Crs Edgar, Wilkins, Inglis and Bryant.

**6 November**

e-day at ENZA in Nayland Road

**9 November**

Swearing in of Golden Bay Community Board.

Attended ordinary meeting of Golden Bay Community Board and Motueka Community Board

**10 November**

Golden Bay High School end-of-year closing ceremony

**11 November**

Armistice Day commemorations in Richmond Town Hall and Memorial Park

**12 November**

Governance workshop for elected members, senior managers and minute secretaries

**13 November**

Opening of new Wakefield Fire Station.

St John District Inspection and Awards ceremony

**17-18 November**

Attended, in part, Aquaculture conference in Nelson.

I was sworn in as a Justice of the Peace.

Attended one-year celebrations of 24-7 Youthwork, a programme operating at Waimea College

### **19 November**

Opening of the renovated Nelson Courthouse.

Attended a meeting of kiwifruit growers regarding the PSA bacteria currently affecting the country

### **20 November**

A & P Show in Richmond including public viewing of my cooking ability. Happy to report that all my burgers were eaten.

### **22 November**

Met with MP Hon Maryan Street.

Attended Green/Gold Enviroschools award celebration at Salisbury School with Hon Rodney Hide.

### **24 November**

Environment Awards 2010

### **25/26 November**

RAC meeting, Wellington.

Attended, with Jane, and the Crs Glover and Edgar and Community Services Manager Lloyd Kennedy, the Sportsperson of the Year Awards.

### **28 November**

Opening of the new Hockey Pavilion at Saxton Field

### **During The Month...**

The Tasman District Council prepared a submission on the proposal for the union of Nelson City and Tasman District. Dates have been set for hearings of submissions (A schedule is attached). The Tasman District Council submission will be heard on 15 December in the morning here at the Council Chambers. A separate report in this agenda covers the planned verbal presentation on the Tasman District Council submission.

The Tasman District Council 2009-2010 Annual Report has been published and is available on the Tasman District Council website.

Tasman District Council has submitted on the Law Commission review of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act and Official Information Act; and supported the Local Government New Zealand submission on the Marine and Coastal Area Bill.

Auckland Supercity has got underway with large changes in staffing and elected members. The Minister of Local Government, Hon Rodney Hide, has indicated that he will now turn his attention to reforms for the remainder of the country's Local Government sector. He has indicated this may focus on how central government can better work with, and support, local government.

The Alcohol Law Reform package has been released by Parliament

### **Nelson Bays Community Trust**

The Nelson Bays Community Trust is a very worthy organisation and we appreciate the work they do in the community. Cr Edgar has previously been the Council representative Trustee. With the commencement of the new term of Council she is no longer the Tasman District Council Trustee and is not obliged to continue as a Trustee. I acknowledge the increased workload for Cr Edgar as Chair of Community Services Committee, in addition to the work she does in the community. I therefore will ask at the Council meeting if anyone else would like to be a Trustee and if there are no volunteers, we will note that there is no nominated Council Trustee.

### **Citizenship Ceremonies**

Following a discussion between Murray Staite, and the two Committee secretaries and myself, I propose citizenship ceremonies take place at 9.30am on the [morning of Full Council four times](#) per year in Richmond, and once every 8 months in Takaka, dependant on the number of persons put forward by the Department of Internal Affairs for citizenship.

While the Citizenship ceremonies will commence at 9.30am it would be highly desirable to have a good presence of Councillors to demonstrate our support for new citizens to our District.

I would also like to see a cultural element included in the ceremonies.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT the Mayor's Report RCN10-12-04 be received by the Tasman District Council.**

Richard Kempthorne  
Mayor

**Schedule of Commissioner Hearings  
Proposal for the union of Tasman District and Nelson City**

**Tuesday 14 December 2010**

**Murchison Sport and Recreation Centre “Lions Den”**

12.30 pm – 2.30 pm

**Nelson City Council Chambers, Nelson**

4.00 pm      Representative of Electors

**Wednesday 15 December 2010**

**Tasman District Council Chambers, Richmond**

8.45 am – 12.00 pm

**Nelson City Council Chambers, Nelson**

1.30 pm – 5.30 pm

**Tasman District Council Chambers, Richmond**

7 pm – 8.30 pm

**Thursday 16 December 2010**

**Richmond Library Meeting Room**

8.45 am – 11.30 am

**St John Hall, Motueka**

1.00 pm – 5.30 pm

**Friday 17 December**

**Takaka Primary School – 9 Wadsworth Street**

9.00 am – 5.15 pm

**Saturday 18 December**

**Tasman District Council Chambers, Richmond**

8.45 am – 12.30 pm

Includes right of reply and questions to both Councils