STAFF REPORT

TO: Community Services Committee

FROM: Administration Advisor

REFERENCE: C752

DATE: 27 January 2005

SUBJECT: Proposed Partnership Agreement Between

Tasman District Council and Nelson Bays Area Police

PURPOSE/REASON FOR REPORT

To consider a proposal from Nelson Bays Police for a partnership agreement to enable closer collaboration with the Council on areas such as community safety, surveys and other engagement opportunities

BACKGROUND

Police Inspector, Mr Brian McGurk, the Area Commander for Nelson Bays, attended the 2 December 2004 Council meeting asking Council to consider having an agreement with them, similar to the attached agreement that the Wanganui Police have with Wanganui District Council.

I have since been in touch with the Community Development Manager of Wanganui District Council to ascertain how this agreement works, and what the benefits of such were. Her reply is attached.

COMMENT/DISCUSSION

As you will note in Ms Hovey's letter, Tasman District Council has similar informal partnership agreements with the police, such as surveillance cameras, and close liaison with council officers with regard to safety and combating crime.

Note: representatives of the Nelson Police are attending today's meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That after the discussion with Nelson Police that consideration be given to entering into a formal partnership agreement with Nelson Bays Area Police, in an endeavour to keeping Tasman District safe and reduce crime.