# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Members, Engineering Services Committee

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REFERENCE: W199

SUBJECT: Motueka Water Reticulation – RESC10-08-07

Report prepared for meeting of 19 August 2010

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update the Engineering Services Committee on the status of the proposed Motueka Water Supply project.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Staff reported to the Engineering Services Committee in September 2009 regarding the suspension and review of the Ministry of Health's water supply subsidy.

Council has also consulted with the Motueka community stating that the reticulation in Motueka would not proceed unless Council receives satisfactory government subsidy to help fund some of the costs of the project.

The Ministry of Health has not, to date, released any information on the status of the subsidy scheme review.

# MINISTRY OF HEALTH SUBSIDY

Council should wait until the Ministry of Health has completed the review of the subsidy scheme. If after this review, the subsidy scheme is restarted, Council should re-evaluate what value of subsidy it could expect and re-evaluate the options in consultation with the Motueka community.

#### **OTHER WORKS**

Council is proceeding with obtaining the water extraction consent for the extraction of water at the Parker Street well-field. Work on the final design of the Coastal Tasman pipeline to Mapua and the borefield at Parker Street, Motueka is also continuing.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Motueka Water Reticulation report (RESC10-08-07) be received by the Engineering Services Committee.

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