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REPORT SUMMARY

Subject:	Chairman's Report
Meeting Date:	23 June 2011
Report to:	Engineering Services Committee

Report AuthorCr Trevor Norriss

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the Chairman's regular meeting report

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report be received.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Chairman's Report RESC11-06-01.



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1. Welcome

1.1 Welcome to today's meeting. At the time of writing this report news of further earthquake damage in Canterbury is emerging. These latest after shocks put many areas in the city back to square one in terms of further damage to the city's infrastructure and the cost of cleaning up roads and properties inundated with liquefaction and water. Friends I have spoken to have almost had enough and many Cantabrians will once again be looking at long term options. It is important at this time that any support that we can provide is made available. I am sure the consequences of this event are going to be felt nationwide for many years to come.

2. Tasman Regional Transport Committee Meeting – 10 June

2.1 This was an excellent meeting with information shared between all parties on the effect of possible New Zealand Transport Agency Financial Assistance Rates (FAR). We also discussed the draft Government Policy Statement and its possible effects on all parties. Unfortunately at the time of writing the Local Government Commission's decision on the amalgamation proposal is not available as this will also have an effect on the FAR rate for the wider region. One thing is for sure, there are not going to be any extra funds.

3. Takaka Wastewater Treatment Plant - Working Group

3.1 This working group has put a number of issues to bed and is progressing well towards a final recommendation for Council.



4. Nelson City – Effluent Disposal Site

4.1 Regardless of what has been said by Nelson City Councillors and staff and recent editorials in the Nelson Mail, this is an issue to be resolved by the New Zealand Transport Agency and Nelson City Council. There is no "squabble" between the Councils over this issue; in fact no requests for assistance have been received from Nelson City Council over this issue. It is unbelievable that while the New Zealand Transport Agency fund the capital cost of these sites and subsidise any maintenance costs, that it has come down to this!

5. Motueka Groyne, Jackett Island – Landowner meeting

5.1 A meeting was held with Jackett Island landowners to bring them up to speed with where and what Council was doing as a result of the Environment Court decision. A further meeting is scheduled for 6 July 2011.

6. Condolences – Simon McIntyre

6.1 I need to mention the recent death of Simon McIntyre from Waimea Contract Carriers. Simon always made his drivers and trucks available to show roading issues etc in our region. Simon started off with a small contracting business and built it up to be the largest logging transport operator in the Top of the South. He also played representative rugby and his untimely death will leave a huge gap in our community. Our thoughts are with Simon's family and his staff at this time.

7. Retirement – Mike Price

7.1 After 29 years service with the former Waimea County Council and Tasman District Council, our Engineering Contracts Officer Mike Price has decided to call it a day. Mike has quietly and resolutely carried out his work managing the Engineering contract documentation, the contract tender procedures, making sure all the accounts were paid and generally keeping the Engineers under control! Mike has decided to leave quietly without fanfare. On behalf of the Engineering Services Committee a huge thank you to Mike for his many years of dedicated service and very best wishes for a relaxing retirement. Thanks Mike.

9. **RECOMMENDATION/S**

That this report be received

6. DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Chairman's Report, RESC11-06-01.