

STAFF REPORT

TO: Council's Enterprise Subcommittee
FROM: Corporate Services Manager
REFERENCE:
DATE: 24 August 2005
SUBJECT: Port Tarakohe Matters

FINANCIAL REPORTS

As with other activities of Council staff are currently preparing final results for the 2005 financial year. Full reports for Port Tarakohe will be presented to the next meeting of this Subcommittee, once the audit process has been completed.

HARBOUR MANAGER'S CONTRACT

The Chief Executive and Corporate Services Manager are currently concluding negotiations with the Harbour Manager for a contract for a further period of time. It is anticipated that negotiations will be concluded prior to the end of September 2005.

TALLEYS FISHERIES LIMITED CHILLER PROPOSAL

Council received a request from Talleys Fisheries Limited to construct a Chiller adjacent to their currently occupied site. This matter was referred to a meeting of the Port Users Group held on 9 August 2005.

The Port Users Group considered a number of aspects to the proposal including whether the siting of this complex would directly impede access for vehicles travelling to Wainui Bay through the Port, the storage requirements for commodities being loaded and unloaded across the main wharf, previous public statements on Council's attitude towards buildings being constructed on land directly adjacent to the Port and an acknowledgement of the land owned by Talleys Fisheries Limited directly opposite the Port.

The Port Users Group discussed the process for handling product that has been discharged from vessels and the impact of transferring that product to a site not directly adjacent to the Wharf.

The advice of the Port Users Group is that the request from Talley's Fisheries Limited to construct a Chiller adjacent to their current site be declined with the suggestion that they Company be encouraged to construct a chiller facility on the land that they own over the road from the Port.

It was acknowledged that the continued presence of Talley's Fisheries' operation in Golden Bay is important both to the operation of Port Taranaki and to the local economy.

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