

## **STAFF REPORT**

**TO:** Mayor and Councillors

**FROM:** Chair, Corporate Services Committee

**DATE:** 10 April 2008

**SUBJECT:** Corporate Services Chairman's Report

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While this is a relatively light agenda, staff have been busy preparing the Draft Annual Plan for release. The public meetings over the later part of the month will make for a full on couple of weeks and while it is often hard to make all the meetings, it is a good opportunity to get out around the district and meet the locals and get some feedback on the issues they see as important.

On the agenda is an item re the Triennial Valuations. I would like the Council's view on the timeframe that this is conducted over. This can be a controversial process and I do not think that the release of the valuations and the appeal process over the Christmas period is very helpful.

The Corporate Services Manager and I are working on improving the level of financial reporting that is presented to the committee, using various methods, so that a six weekly update of a number of the important indicators of Council's position can be produced and compared as we go through the year. It is intended that the format used will also dovetail with the quarterly, six monthly and annual reports.

Tim King  
Chair

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