REPORT

TO: Motueka Community Board

FROM: Chairperson C Satherley

REFERENCE: E859

DATE: 15th April 2005

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

LITTER CART

Chairperson Satherley will give a verbal update.

MOTORSPORT

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ANNUAL PLAN MEETING

The public meeting is to be held on Wednesday, 11 May at 7.30pm to 9.30pm at the St Johns Ambulance Hall in Courtney Street.

COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING TIMES

Every year a request has gone out to the board to set a time for winter community board meetings. Traditionally, the winter community board meeting hours were changed out of 'goodwill' from the Board.

I would like to recommend to the Board that we agree to winter hours starting at 4.30pm, with public forum commencing at 4.30pm like last year, with a small break at 6.00pm for the months of June July, August and September.

MOTUEKA HARBOUR

I have been in contact with Graham Caradus, Harbour Master, who has provided the following update on Motueka Harbour marker buoys:

"The more substantial navigation marks (all with associated lights) are owned and maintained by TDC and mark the channel near the training wall. However, there are a number of "informal" marks that are placed by persons unkown, in the area of the bar. These appear to be moved frequently to keep pace with the growth of the sand bar. TDC takes no responcibility for these informal marks, but I personally see the advantage of having them and would not contemplate moving them. Having marks in the area of the bar is something that I have been contemplating for some time, but I had been unable to source a robust, small sized (lateral type) navigation mark that will withstand the conditions that can be expected to be encountered on the bar.

Near the end of 2004 I did locate a source for such marks and decided to purchase one and run a trial to see if the plastic buoy and solar powered light would withstand the breaking water and drying out that occurs at a bar. We have a number of bar entrances such as Mapua, Motueka, Riwaka, Waitapu and Collingwood that could all benefit from such equipment. The plastic buoy and light in question was instaled at the entrance to Waitapu just prior to the start of this year, and if it is still fairing well after 6 months, it will be worth extending the experiment.

It is necessary that every navigation mark that is installed is done so with the sanction of the MSA, so each time a buoy is placed or moved it will be necessary to go through a formal process. It would not be appropriate for local fisherment or boaties to simply move marks about whenever they perceived that the channel had moved, but they could choose to let me know so that I could undertake the necessary formalities as well as making necessary changes to locations of navigation marks."

A query regarding the shallow channel entrance to Motueka Harbour was raised recently at the public forum. There has been some ideas about rectification of this problem. Can we get more information about this?

ISSUES THAT MOTUEKA COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBERS WOULD LIKE RAISED ON THE AGENDA

Cr Inglis

- Kaiteriteri Road
- Riwaka Road
- Wharf Road

Board Member Fry

Engineering Services Committee Update

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Board Member Dowler

Thank you to Kirsty Barr and others for the Show 'N' Shine day held recently at Marchwood Park. A great effort by everyone involved and a great turnout being the first time held, and a dull day weatherwise.

The Clock Tower Trust is organising a fundraiser to meet the next loan repayment. It is a Rock Around the Clock function to be held on 30th April 2005. Details will be in the local papers. The Advertiser on the clock tower panels will be in place within the next few weeks. The other panels are still for lease.

C Satherley
Chairperson
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