STAFF REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members, Motueka Community Board
FROM:	Duncan Eddy, Deputy Chair
DATE:	5 December 2008
SUBJECT:	Report to 15 December 2008 Board Meeting

1 Motueka Community Board Bus Service

The Motueka Community Board's subsidised bus service began on Monday 1 December 2008 and will run at the very affordable price of \$4 for adults and \$2 for youth under 18, until Monday 15 December 2008. Children under five will travel free.

This bus service will then continue at a rate of \$7.50 per adult and \$5 for youth aged 5 to 17 years.

The weekday Motueka – Richmond – Nelson return service leaves from outside the Motueka i SITE information centre Monday to Friday at 7.40 am, returning from Nelson at 5.50 pm.

The extra Wednesday service leaves the Motueka i SITE at 10.45 am and leaves the Nelson i SITE at 3.05 pm. The Saturday run leaves Motueka at 10.00 am, and the return ride leaves from Nelson at 5.00 pm.

Concession tickets (11 rides for the price of 10) and full timetables are available at Motueka i SITE, Motueka Community House, and the Motueka TDC Service Centre.

2 Disabled Carparks

It is suggested that at least one disabled car park be made available outside the Motueka Diagnostic Laboratory on High Street. (Information been requested from Steve Elkington and will be reported to meeting.)

3 Reserves

The Reserves Manager report to Community Services on 13 November 2008 listed three Motueka projects. It is particularly disappointing that the report regarding the Deck's Reserve cultural projects hasn't changed in a year, despite being past their scheduled completion dates. Budget, timelines and estimated completion details for these projects would be useful. (Information sought from Beryl Wilkes and will be reported to meeting.)

4 Targeted Rate for Community Boards

The ongoing debate regarding the targeted rate for community boards is distracting and time-consuming for community boards and council staff. It appears that Motueka Ward Councillors have decided to stop contesting this rate. It would be helpful to know why. Motueka Community Board needs to make a decision – do we accept the legality of this rate and get on with business, or do we take decisive action to get this issue settled once and for all.

Duncan Eddy Deputy Chair Motueka Community Board