STAFF REPORT

TO: Chairman and Members, Engineering Services Committee

FROM: Dugald Ley, Development Engineer

REFERENCE: E362

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SUBJECT: ENGINEERING STANDARDS 2008 - UPDATE

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to update the committee on progress with the production of the Engineering Standards & Policies 2008.

2 BACKGROUND

The Engineering Standards Hearings Panel (Councillors Norriss and Higgins, the Engineering Manager and the Development Engineer) met to hear submissions on 30 November 2007. Twelve submitters presented their submission.

The hearing provided both submitters and Council staff the opportunity to fully consider issues that affected both Council and the users of the standards. We believe this consultative process was well received by the submitters and will ensure that the standards are as user-friendly as possible.

3 COMMENT

Since the hearing, Engineering staff have been fine-tuning and editing the Standards document to reflect the agreed changes and additions.

Fletcher Vautier Moore has recently reviewed a number of "legal" issues relating to Council's responsibilities and once these have been incorporated the "finishing touches" will be made to the document.

All final changes will be presented to the Engineering Standards Hearings Panel for final approval and adoption. Following this the document will be sent to the printer for final production.

4 RECOMMENDATION

THAT this report be received.

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