

# **REPORT OF THE KAIKOURA DISTRICT COUNCIL WORKS & SERVICES MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2006 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL SUPPER ROOM, ESPLANADE, KAIKOURA.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Pablecheque (Chair), Mayor K Heays, Councillors B Seddon, M McChesney, J Diver, J Macphail, S Thomas.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** L Copping (Executive Officer), G Saigy (Asset Manager), J Doggett (Works Infrastructure)

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:** Councillor B Woods

## ***1. MINUTES ACTION LIST***

### **Report on condition of swale drains**

J Doggett of Works Infrastructure advised a report on swale drains was currently being prepared and would be provided to the Committee at the October meeting.

## ***2. REPORTS***

### ***a) Works & Services***

#### **New Water Source**

The Asset Manager advised the new water source was now operational. Aside from a couple of minor teething adjustments, overall the system was working well with the pumps pumping 65 litres per second.

#### **Public Toilet Facilities**

One malfunction was reported for the month at the West End toilet facility which resulted in the overnight closing of the facility to the public on the night of 22 August 2006. The problem was rectified the following morning.

Mayor Heays asked if there were any plans to upgrade or repair the toilets in the West End such as broken latches and tiles. The Asset Manager advised he was unaware of any plans for upgrading. Councillor Macphail suggested an estimate be provided of the costs to upgrade and tidy up the West End toilet facility for the pending summer season.

#### **Lyell Creek Footbridge**

The Asset Manager advised installation and lighting was now completed. He advised the Lions club would be placing a plaque and seating on the sea side of the bridge and Environment Canterbury were top-soiling and grassing the area.

### **Davidson Terrace Walkway**

The Asset Manager advised work on the underpass at Davidson Terrace was now complete. Mayor Heays advised recent conversations with Toll had shown they were not interested in fencing off the railway line. Councillor McChesney asked if an official letter, highlighting the recent accident could be sent to Toll along with a request for a response. It was felt a wire fence was not suitable as it had been cut down by residents in the past to allow them to cross the line.

*Moved by Councillor McChesney, seconded by Councillor Macphail and resolved that Council write to Toll requesting they fence the Davidson Terrace railway line off tightly and tidily.*

### **Leakage Detection**

The Asset Manager advised a detailed leak detection programme had recently taken place in the district where a total of 83 leaks were found.

Councillor Seddon expressed concern at the amount of water being wasted, noting it equated to approximately 65% of the towns water usage. Councillor Thomas noted many of the leaks had been identified in 2005 and asked if they would be identified again in 2007. The Asset Manager advised letters had recently been sent out to all properties with leaks requesting they be repaired or they would be metered. A letter would also be sent to commercial users with leaks.

The Asset Manager noted everyone should be conscious of water use and there needed to be a combined effort to reduce wastage.

### ***b) Roading***

#### **Traffic Counting Programme**

Traffic counts were undertaken in Schoolhouse Road and Puhi Puhi Road over the reporting period, however a traffic count in South Bay Parade had to be abandoned due to vandalism. Traffic count results continued to be forwarded to local Police.

#### **Completed Work Record**

The Asset Manager advised he had included a “completed works” report within his report and would continue to do so monthly in order to show what work had been undertaken throughout the district. Councillor Diver noted it was good to see what work was being done.

*Moved by Councillor Diver, seconded by Councillor McChesney and resolved that the Works & Services reports be received.*

*There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.38am.*

