

## REPORT

**TO:** Councillors  
**FROM:** Mayor R Kempthorne  
**DATE:** 23 June 2009  
**REPORT REF:** RCN090630 MAYORS REPORT  
**SUBJECT:** Mayor's Report for May/June 2009

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### 21 May

- Met with John Roseveare and Peter Hall regarding the Recognised Seasonal Employer programme in Tasman

### 22 May

- Toured the Ruby Bay Bypass Site. I am impressed with the construction of the road to date, and believe that the completed road will provide a very attractive access to the Tasman region.
- Tasman Regional Sports Trust (TRST) finance committee meeting
- I attended the re-opening of the Motueka Service Centre, which has received a facelift, and also now incorporates Drivers Licensing facilities.

### 26/27 May

- Three days of Council workshops on the 2009/2019 Ten Year Plan

### 1 June

- Attended Samoan Independence Day celebrations at Nelson College for Girls

### 4 June

- TRST staff hui

### 5 June

- Sportsperson of the Year Awards, attended also by some Councillors and staff

### 9 June

- Met with John Hamilton, Director of Civil Defence NZ

### 15 June

- Met with Damien O'Connor
- Met with Kevin Hague, Green MP

### **16 June**

- Met with members of the 'Coastal Initiative' from Ruby Bay, Mapua and Tasman, who wish to ensure that the Mapua/Ruby Bay/Tasman area remains a destination for travellers after the Bypass is completed, and for maximising business and community opportunities

### **18 June**

- Attended Persian Art and Culture evening organised by the Nelson Institute. Viewed a very enjoyable documentary of the history of Iran, and met the Iranian Ambassador.

### **19 June**

- Cawthron Trust Board meeting

### **20 June**

- Matariki at Puketawai
- Opening of Motueka Hospital

### **During the Month/s..**

- Many LTCCP hearing meetings, district-wide
- Richmond West Hearing deliberation meetings and Notices of Requirement meetings
- Received, from the Environment Ministry, a high level of compliance with the RMA statutory timeframes in regard to processing consent applications.
- Started to recover from an out-of-control email inbox