



CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

TO: Environment & Planning Committee

FROM: Richard Kempthorne, Chairperson

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SUBJECT: **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – EP07/09/11** - Report prepared for 12 September Meeting

It is good periodically to reflect on our achievements. In the last term of Council our achievements in the Environment & Planning Committee have been:

- Notifying and making final decisions on Richmond South
- Extensive deliberation and hopefully a decision for the Richmond West Variation to be notified
- Identifying a planning process for Takaka East Golden Bay
- Developing a Code of Practice for recreational motorbike riding
- Deciding not to put any additional planning constraints on horticultural shade cloth
- Developing a “holding variation” for Waimea Water
- Addressing air quality for the Richmond airshed
- Undertaken the five yearly review of the Nelson Tasman Regional Pest Management Strategy
- Undertaken joint urban planning with Nelson City for Richmond Stake and Nelson
- Progressed urban planning for Motueka
- Made significant progress towards making the majority of the TRMP operative

We have achieved a lot. Thank you to all members of the Committee and staff for the commitment needed to achieve these results. I wish the new Council all the best for continuing this work.

Stuart Borlase, Steve Markham and I met with Cliff Turley and Simon Hedley from Patons Rock. They explained to us a concept that has been developed by the residents, and property owners in the wider Patons Rock area for a proposal to place a cap on the ultimate number of sections for residential development in this area. I have appended a letter from Simon setting out this proposal with a map of the proposed plan.

This concept has majority support from the residents and property owners in this area and they cannot pursue a private plan change as the Plan is not operative at this stage. I suggest that this planning proposal is forwarded to the new Council for consideration as a possible Variation to the plan or some other similar process to assist this area.

Best wishes to all seeking re-election.

Richard Kempthorne
Chair, Environment & Planning Committee