

INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY SUB COMMITTEE – CHAIR’S REPORT – OCTOBER 2005

Annual A and P Shows

We will have our usual presence at the A and P Shows in the district. A schedule calling for councillors to be present in the show tents at Motueka, Richmond, Takaka and Murchison is underway.

Delivery of Newsline

I am aware that some people with “no junk mail” stickers on their letter boxes are not receiving Newsline. It appears that while this is more prevalent in rural areas, it also happens on occasions in urban areas. In my initial discussions with the Corporate Services Manager on this matter it seems that this is slightly more complicated than I had originally thought. I would like to discuss this issue today.

Newsline

The new procedure appears to be working well although as yet we do not appear to be receiving the final version of stories as they are altered. Perhaps this is in the pipeline.

Frequency of Meetings

Now that we are in a trial period for two-weekly editions of Tasman Newsline the Mag it seems to me that monthly meetings are not required. I would therefore like to suggest that during the trial period we dispense with monthly meetings and have meetings in December 2005 and February 2006 instead. Monthly accounts can still be sent out to all members of the subcommittee and any concerns regarding these can be addressed to either the Corporate Services Manager or me.

Financial Accounts

Today the Corporate Services Manager will be providing us with copies of the monthly accounts. It is really important that with changes to Newsline we keep a careful eye on our expenditure.

Elaine Henry
Chair Information and Publicity Subcommittee