

STAFF REPORT

TO: Council Enterprises Subcommittee
FROM: Port Tarakohe Administration Manager
REFERENCE: A303
DATE: 6 May 2006
SUBJECT: Port Tarakohe Report April/May 2006

FINANCIALS

Please refer to the Corporate Services Manager's report for these.

FROM LAST MEETING

The Harbour Manager and I have continued to seek out incomes where anomalies have appeared to have arisen. We have even collected the modest revenue from the Port Licence assignees which although a 'peppercorn' by comparison was still required to be paid. I anticipate income from the wharf fuel facility to be in our hands by the end of this month for the current year.

TARAKOHE HARBOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

A brief meeting with the Port Users has been held on the 9 May to discuss a review of fees and charges at the port and other fiscal matters. The meeting also were asked to consider further the matter of the old wooden wharf.

VISIT TO MUSSELL FARMS

I took the opportunity to go out with Council's Harbourmaster and Monitoring Officer when they checked the Bay's aquaculture compliance with resource consents. Although this involved a day long session the experience of being able to see exactly what is involved with this industry was very worthwhile and has prompted me to reconsider some issues which I have addressed in proposed changes to fees and charges.

HARBOUR MASTER

Allan Kilgour took a well earned break of a few weeks to trace his Scottish ancestral roots . He also took the opportunity to look over marina developments overseas including one in Dubai which is the largest marina in the world with 40,000 berths! So Tarakohe with 60 berths has a way to go yet!

Although Allan had pre-arranged for a very competent stand-in during his vacation I was certainly happy to see him come back. I would like to take this opportunity to say that Allan does a sterling job at the port and I am very pleased with his performance as Harbour Manager.

I have asked Allan to attend this months meeting to provide some background on some of the technical issues that need to be discussed on the fees and charges.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Port Administration Manager's report be received.

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