

## **STAFF REPORT**

**TO:** Motueka Community Board  
**FROM:** Chairperson C Satherley  
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### **FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**

Since our last meeting the Festival of Lights has taken place in Motueka. What a wonderful event this was and I know it was enjoyed by many, many people.

I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make this such a successful event and in particular I would mention Peter Burke, Peter Assaf and Murray Hellewell. Well done and thank you for all your work in putting this event on.

Hopefully we will see many more Festivals of Light in future years.

### **INVITE TO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

At our August meeting I would like to invite the Marahau, Motueka Valley and Tasman Community/Ratepayer Associations so that we can discuss:

- How their particular areas are going.
- Are there any issues that the Board may be able to assist with.
- Have they any concerns that they would like to discuss.
- Any matters that Board members may wish to bring up.

### **OCTOBER ELECTIONS**

It is hard to believe that it is three years since we were elected to the Board and in the Councillors case to the Council.

With nominations opening on 27 July it would be good if we could encourage more people to stand for both the Board and Council. It is a great opportunity for people to be involved in the community and the decision making process.

The Electoral Officer has advised that plans are in place to hold a Candidates Information Meeting for anyone standing for Mayor, Council or Community Board for the first time.

C Satherley  
Chairperson

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