

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Members, Engineering Services Committee  
**FROM:** Peter Thomson, Engineering Manager  
**DATE:** 21 March 2007  
**SUBJECT:** ROAD SAFETY COORDINATOR

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## 1 PURPOSE

This report is to update staff changes to the position of Road Safety Coordinator within the Engineering Services Department.

## 2 COMMENT

As members may be aware Kirsty Barr has resigned from her position of Road Safety Coordinator at Council as from Easter weekend. Kirsty has been in the position for almost three years and was the Department's first appointee to the full-time permanent position of Road Safety Coordinator within Council's employment.

As the Department Manager and on behalf of the rest of the team I can say that we are all saddened by Kirsty's resignation and the fact that she will be leaving us. She came into the position with limited experience but has developed the role with enthusiasm and such a friendly demeanour that it is impossible to ignore. Her work as Road Safety Coordinator over this time has been of the highest calibre and her work within the wider community and with stakeholders has made a very significant contribution to the advancement of road safety work within the district.

Kirsty and her family are taking up a more "mobile" living existence and we wish her all the very best for this new adventure knowing that wherever she is she will make a real difference to the community and people around her.

The vacancy from Kirsty's resignation has been advertised and filled with the appointment of Krista Hobday who will start with Council on Monday 2 April 2007. Krista is presently working with the Nelson City Council as their "Safe Journey to School Coordinator" and works as a swimming instructor at Riverside Pool. She has also recently been involved with the Victory Urban Village project in Nelson as a Community Development Project Assistant. Krista is already familiar with many aspects of road safety work within the Tasman-Nelson region and we look forward to her start in early April.

## 3 RECOMMENDATION

**THAT the report be received.**

Peter Thomson  
**Engineering Manager**