AGENDA AND SUPPORTING PAPERS FOR COUNCIL'S NOVEMBER MEETINGS

TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH

TUESDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2008

The programme for the day is:

10.30 a.m.:

Resource Management Committee

Meeting

On completion of RMC Meeting: Council Meeting

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Paroa, Greymouth on **Tuesday, 11 November 2008**

P.EWEN
CHAIRPERSON

S. MORAN

Planning and Environmental Manager

C. DALL

Consents and Compliance Manager

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 14 OCTOBER 2008 AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.34 A.M.

PRESENT:

P. Ewen (Chairman), R. Scarlett (arrived 10.36), D. Davidson, B. Chinn, A. Robb, A. Birchfield, T. Scott

IN ATTENDANCE:

C. Ingle (Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), S. Moran (Planning & Environmental Manager), C. Dall (Consents & Compliance Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media

1. APOLOGIES

Moved (Davidson / Robb) that the apologies from T. Archer and R. Barber be accepted.

Carried

2. MINUTES

Moved (Robb / Birchfield) that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 9 September 2008, be confirmed as correct.

Carried

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that he attended the Zone 5 meeting in Nelson on the 10th of September. He advised that some North Island members have disassociated themselves from Zone organisations. There is concern that these members are still getting the benefits of the advocacy of Local Government New Zealand but not attending meetings.

The Chairman advised that he attended the RMA Recertification Programme for Chairs recently in Christchurch and is now completing course assignments. A number of enquires regarding septic tanks and the proposed Unitary Council issue were dealt with during the reporting period.

Rating District meetings were attended with Crs Robb and Birchfield for the Grey Valley area and at this office.

Moved (Ewen / Davidson) that the Council receive this report.

Carried

5. REPORTS

5.1. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

5.1.1 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

- S. Moran spoke to his report. He advised that staff have attended the Board of Inquiry hearing for the Proposed New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement in Christchurch recently. The hearing chairman and participants are familiar with the West Coast and intend to travel over here to see the issues for themselves.
- S. Moran advised that MfE held a workshop on the $18^{\rm th}$ of September for Proposed National Environmental Standards for On-Site Wastewater Systems. The draft submission is attached to S. Moran's report.

- S. Moran advised that staff are almost through the first draft on the Proposed National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management.
- S. Moran reported that staff have reviewed the Proposed National Policy Statement on Renewable Electricity Generation. He stated that staff believe that it does not succeed in its stated aim. A draft submission will be emailed to councillors prior to the closing date of 31 October.
- S. Moran shared the good news of additional funding for pest control obtained from LINZ. The sites that will receive this funding are Otira Valley and Buller Gorge. S. Moran advised that the funding will compliment existing programmes. Cr Scarlett asked how much money was on offer. C. Ingle said he understood that it was approximately \$100,000 nationally and that we did well to get \$15,000 for the West Coast.
- S. Moran advised that while the Grey District Council offices are undergoing an upgrade, West Coast Regional Council offices have been made available in case of a civil defence emergency.
- S. Moran reported that the National Lifelines Coordinator and staff from MCDEM are now using the Lifelines Fuel Storage Study completed by WCRC as a national model.
- S. Moran reported that on the 23rd and 24th of September flood warning alarms were triggered on the Grey, Waiho, Whataroa and Haast Rivers. Some of this rain was snowmelt.
- S. Moran advised that there have been no exceedances of air quality during the reporting period and it is unlikely that there will be anymore this year.

Moved (Scarlett / Davidson)

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received.

Carried

5.1.2 DRAFT SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

S. Moran spoke to this report noting that it has been circulated to council. There have been no comments received from Councillors.

Moved (Ewen / Chinn)

RECOMMENDATION

That the draft submission on the Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-site Wastewater Systems is approved.

Carried

5.2 CONSENTS AND COMPLIANCE GROUP

5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

- C. Dall spoke to this report and took it as read. He reported that the hearing for the notified consent for Meridian Energy Ltd's proposed hydroelectricity power scheme on the Mokihinui River is currently running ahead of time at the moment and may be complete by the end of October.
- C. Dall reported that the Kahuna Boardriders Club withdrew its appeal against the resource consents granted to West Sand Company for the proposed sand removal trial at Cobden Beach. Trials will take place outside summer months.

Moved (Scarlett / Chinn) that the October 2008 report of the Consents Group be received.

Carried

5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

C. Dall spoke to this report. He advised that a fairly high proportion of dairy inspections have revealed poor compliance. This was not entirely unexpected, as a number of the sheds targeted were known to have previous problems. Cr Chinn asked Cr Scarlett if we still have Dairy Inspectors. Cr Scarlett confirmed that we do and that they are expected to notify the dairy company if there are serious problems. Cr Chinn asked if the dairy company follow up on these matters. C. Dall stated that the main focus of the dairy inspectors is hygiene relating to the dairy

shed and WCRC focus is on effluent disposal. Cr Scarlett explained that the inspections are rated A, B or C and if they get a C then they are revisited.

C. Dall reported that as a result of two recent milk tanker crashes there has been no serious harm to either the drivers or the environment.

C. Dall reported that since the issue of an Abatement Notice to Globe Progress Mine discharges have been monitored more intensively by Council staff. There was one major non-compliance but overall compliance has improved since the Abatement Notice was issued. Cr Chinn thought that the non-compliance was coming from restoration areas and not the processing plant itself. Cr Chinn stated that under Crown Minerals licence land has to be restored as you go and during winter months there will be discoloured water running off restored ground even if sediment traps are in place. Cr Chinn asked if a plant is closed down, there is no mining and ground is still being restored would abatement notices still be issued. C. Dall stated that enforcement is measured on a case by case basis. Cr Chinn stated that it would be very hard to remain within the consent during heavy rain. C. Dall stated that compliance has been achieved in the past during wet weather and the company has not exhausted all their options as yet. Cr Ewen stated that he has looked at some of the original consent applications for Globe Progress mining, he advised that the applicant did submit some proposed conditions and levels that they believe that they could met. He stated that they now need to meet the condition to mitigate the adverse effects of this runoff. Cr Birchfield reiterated that he feels allowances need to be made for heavy rainfall. T. Scott suggested that artificial wetlands could be considered for this area. C. Dall stated that this area is not suitable for artificial wetland due to lack of space. Cr Ewen stated that a lot of consent hearings that he has been to has found that outside expertise often underestimates the local environmental weather conditions. Cr Ewen stated that staff are mindful of where councillors are coming from on this matter and that he is hopeful that a balance will be found to improve the situation.

C. Dall reported that it has been a quiet month for Solid Energy consent monitoring with results showing compliance.

C. Dall reported that a slightly higher number of complaints were received during the reporting period. This could be attributed to the warmer weather. Cr Ewen spoke of the spill of coal from a coal wagon at 7 Mile. Cr Ewen stated that this is a rail problem and part of the loading process and is not a Solid Energy problem.

C. Dall reported that most mining programmes were approved during the reporting period.

Moved (Davidson / Chinn)

- 1. That the October 2008 report of the Compliance Group be received.
- 2. That the Council recommends to Crown Minerals that the bond for ML 323108 be released.

Carried

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.10 am.

Chairman	
Date	

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee - 11 November 2008

Prepared by: S. Moran – Planning & Environmental Manager

Date: 21 October 2008

Subject: PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

PLANNING

Proposed National Policy Statement (NPS) for Freshwater Management

Staff are currently drafting a submission on this NPS for the consideration of the Committee at the December meeting. The closing date for submissions is 23 January 2009.

Variation 1 (Wetlands) - Proposed Land and Riverbed Management Plan

The Hearing held on the 4th and 5th of March 2008 was adjourned in order to obtain further information from the Department of Conservation. The Hearing will reconvene on the 27th of November in order for the Panel to consider the submissions and make decisions. These will be released once the decision report has been completed.

Regional Policy Statement and Plans

Work is underway on a number plans including the Regional Policy Statement, the merging of the Discharge to Land Plan, Water Plan, and the Land & Riverbed Plan. As indicated at the last meeting there will be a number of workshops with the Committee to establish or confirm the framework of these policy documents.

Transport

Draft West Coast Walking and Cycling Strategy

The Draft West Coast Walking and Cycling Strategy has been endorsed by the Regional Transport Committee and is scheduled to go out for consultation on the 3rd of November. The Strategy vision is for More Walking, More Cycling, More Often and seeks to promote the West Coast as a walking and cycling destination to support tourism and economic development. Submissions close on 12 December.

RESOURCE SCIENCE

Hydrology/Flood Warning

The Karamea River at the gorge went through its first stage alarm after a brief period of heavy rain on the 6^{th} and 7^{th} of October.

Site	Time of peak	Peak level	Warning Issued
Karamea Rv @ Gorge	7/10/08 11:45	4406	7/10/08 09:30

59mm of rain was recorded in the 12 hours up to 12:00 on the 7th at the Karamea Rv @ Gorge rain gauge. The Tasman District Council site at Biggs Topps was not recording during the period so no upper/mid catchment information was available for the event.

Water Quality

Dr Bill Vant from Environment Waikato (EW) visited recently and spent two days discussing with staff the WCRC water quality monitoring programme, in particular Lake Brunner monitoring. Bill has a wealth of experience in water quality monitoring. Bill's time was kindly sponsored by Environment Waikato.

A small amount of interest was generated by a recent publication by the Ministry for the Environment on sawmill sites and potential contamination at these sites. West Coast data for this report was sourced from the WCRC, so we have all this information and it is available to all District Councils via the map based Sites Associated with Hazardous Substances (SAHS) system, should they need to consider changes in ownership or land use at these sites.

The October Lake Brunner sampling round has been completed. This is the second round that WCRC staff have completed themselves without external contractors. Local Fishing guide Brent Beadle has been providing boat transport around the lake and up the tributaries. The new deep water sonde (water quality probe) lets us measure temperature and oxygen profiles down to the bottom of Lake Brunner (100 m) so that we can continue the previous sampling methodology. The WCRC's new acoustic doppler allows us to measure river flows in areas which were previously unmeasureable.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report is received.

Simon Moran Planning and Environmental Manager **5.1.2** 6

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee - 11 November 2008

Prepared by: S. Moran – Planning & Environmental Manager

Date: 21 October 2008

Subject: SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT FOR

RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY GENERATION

Purpose

To seek approval from the Resource Management Committee for the submission on the Proposed National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity Generation (Proposed NPS).

Background

The Proposed NPS has as its stated aim an intention to have "a nationally consistent approach to balancing the competing values associated with the development of New Zealand's renewable energy resources [that] provide[s] greater certainty to decision-makers, applicants, and the wider community."

Having considered the document staff do not believe that the current proposal succeeds in that as the Proposed NPS:

- Does not provide a clear national direction
- Does not clarify how to balance national and local Energy needs with Ecological issues
- Does little more than confirm the current matters that are considered in any resource consent assessment by staff and commissioners.
- Will impose significant costs on the ratepayer to implement the plan changes required.

The draft submission was circulated to the Committee for comment as the closing date for submissions was 31 October. No changes have been made to the draft submission.

RECOMMENDATION

That the submission on the Proposed National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity Generation is approved.

Simon Moran
Planning and Environmental Manager

<u>Submission on the Proposed National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity</u> Generation

The West Coast Regional Council is disappointed that the Proposed National Policy Statement for Renewable Electricity Generation (NPS) as currently worded has not provided the greater certainty that was its stated aim in its Preamble.

"A nationally consistent approach to balancing the competing values associated with the development of New Zealand's renewable energy resources will provide greater certainty to decision-makers, applicants, and the wider community."

This NPS should be enabling and state clearly that renewable electricity generation **is appropriate development** except in certain circumstances. Such a statement would provide very clear national policy direction.

The Objective to have 90% of electricity generated by renewable sources in 2025 based on delivered electricity in an average hydrological year appears to be at odds with Policy 3. Large dams can provide the scale necessary to generate large amounts of energy at competitive prices yet by their nature their effects have a lower degree of reversibility and this weighs against them under this policy. Given that the climate is expected to change considerably in the next 50-100 years it seems rather short sighted to be ruling out energy options that have a relatively long lead in time to develop.

Policy 1 identifies that all renewable electricity generation activities are of national significance and that is supported.

Policy 2 does little more than confirm current resource consent assessment practice and does not provide national direction.

Policy 3 is not supported for the reasons stated above.

Policy 4 is not supported as although Policy Statements and Plans need to give effect to an NPS it should not be timeframed in the legislation as this creates unnecessary cost for little benefit. The NPS itself will be given greater weight in an officers report than pre-existing policies in an RPS or Plan, therefore these planning documents can be amended at their next review. To impose unnecessary costs of going through plan changes every time a new NPS or NES becomes operative is inefficient and a waste of ratepayers money.

Policy 5 is not supported for similar reasons to Policy 4. Requiring plan changes in an NPS or NES should not be a decision taken lightly as there are significant cost implications for councils, and these have to be funded by the ratepayer.

Decisions Requested

- This NPS should be enabling and state clearly that renewable electricity generation is
 appropriate development except in certain circumstances. Such a statement would
 provide very clear national policy direction.
- Retain Policy 1 as currently worded.
- Delete Policy 2 as it does not add any value to a NPS.
- Delete Policy 3.

- Amend Policy 4 so that it becomes a statement such as:
 - "it is appropriate that the following are encouraged:
 - the identification and assessment by generators of potential sites and energy sources for renewable electricity generation.
 - research-scale investigation into emerging renewable electricity generation technologies and methods."

If the above decision requested is rejected then delete any timeframe from the policy.

Amend Policy 5 so that it becomes a statement such as:
 "Activities associated with the development and operation of small and community-scale distributed renewable electricity generation are to be encouraged."

If the above decision requested is rejected then delete any timeframe from the policy.

Prepared for:

Prepared by:

Resource Management Committee Colin Dall - Consents & Compliance Manager

Date:

30 October 2008

Subject:

CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

CONSENTS

Consents Site Visits from 1 October to 27 October 2008

DATE	ACTIVITY, NAME & LOCATION	PURPOSE
6/10/08	RC08151 - Humping & hollowing, C & P Jones Partnership, Waimea	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed humping and hollowing.
7/10/08	RC08146 – Gold mining, AJ Gillman, Kaniere Forest	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed gold mining activities.
9/10/08	RC08161 – Humping & hollowing, Longview Farms, Ahaura	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed humping and hollowing.
20/10/08	RC08124 - Dairy effluent discharge, J & K O'Connor Farming Ltd, Westport	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the dairy effluent discharge.
24/10/08	RC08106 – Road construction, J Grant, Arnold Valley Road	To provide advice to applicant on consent application requirements.
24/10/08	RC08167 – Humping & hollowing, BA & JM Morrison Farming Ltd, Kapitea	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed humping and hollowing.

Non-Notified Resource Consents Granted From 1 October to 27 October 2008

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER	TYPE AND PURPOSE OF CONSENT
RC07102 Roa Mining	To undertake vegetation clearance and earthworks in Erosion Prone Areas associated with track formation, portal construction and subsidence surveying monitoring for an underground coal mining operation on Mining Permit 41793. (Blackball/Roa)
	To undertake land disturbance, earthworks and tunnelling associated with an underground coal mine on Mining Permit 41793.
RC07154 Smith & Curtis-Smith	To disturb the wet bed of Orwell Creek associated with debris removal.
	To undertake gravel removal from Orwell Creek.
	To take and use water from Orwell Creek for the purpose of running a small hydro-generation unit.
	To discharge water containing contaminants (sediments) to water associated with the debris removal.
RC08091 Barry Woodman	To take ground water for the purpose of pasture irrigation, Ahaura.

RC08109 M Mills To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining activities at Atarau.

To disturb the bed of an unnamed tributary of Craigieburn Creek within MP50812 at Atarau, associated with its diversion.

To take and use surface water within MP50812 for alluvial gold mining activities at Atarau.

To take and use ground water within MP50812 for alluvial gold mining activities at Atarau.

To divert the unnamed tributary of Craigieburn Creek associated with alluvial gold mining activities at Atarau.

To discharge sediment-laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter water at Atarau.

To discharge sediment-laden water from alluvial gold mining settling ponds to water within MP50812 at Atarau.

RC08123 Colligan Farm To undertake earthworks associated with humping and hollowing/flipping activities, Waimangaroa.

To discharge sediment from humping and hollowing/flipping activities to land where it may enter water, Waimangaroa.

RC08142 S Hende To disturb the bed of the Waitaha River for the purpose of removing logs.

RC08143 Fulton Hogan

To discharge cured bitumen and wastewater to land at the Westport Landfill.

To discharge cured bitumen and wastewater to land at the Hokitika Landfill.

To discharge cured bitumen and wastewater to land at the Whataroa Landfill.

To discharge cured bitumen and wastewater to land at the Franz Josef Landfill.

To discharge cured bitumen and wastewater to land at the Haast Landfill.

RC08151 C & P Jones Partnership To undertake land disturbance associated with humping and hollowing of farmland adjacent to Lamplough Track, Waimea.

To discharge water containing sediment to land in circumstances where it may enter Waimea Creek and its tributaries.

RC08154 Kelvin Douglas Contracting To disturb the dry bed of Tailings Creek for the purpose of gravel extraction.

RC08155 Baker and Grant To disturb the bed and banks of an unnamed tributary of the Hokitika River for the purpose of creating a creek diversion.

To permanently divert water from an unnamed tributary of the Hokitika River.

RC08156 Fulton Hogan To disturb the dry bed of the Greenstone River for the purpose of gravel extraction.

RC08158 M & F Wilkins

To undertake land disturbance associated with the flipping of farmland, Atarau Road, Blackball.

To discharge water containing sediment to land in circumstances where it may enter the Grey River and its tributaries.

Changes to Resource Consents Granted During the Reporting Period

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER CHANGE TO CONSENT CONDITION(S)

RC07087 Extension to track.

Dilligraf Developments

Paringa

Amendment to humping and hollowing area.

RC07171 M Lawn Hari Hari

No limited notified or publicly notified consents were granted during the reporting period.

Notified Consents Updates & Other Matters

The hearing for Meridian Energy Limited's consent applications for its proposed Mokihinui Hydroelectricity Power Scheme continued in Westport and was adjourned on 23 October. Meridian will be providing its "Right of Reply" in writing to the Hearing Committee.

The Consents & Compliance Manager lodged an application with the Christchurch District Court for an "Order for Examination of Judgement Debtor" in relation to the unpaid debt owed to the Council by Powelliphanta Augustus Incorporated (formerly Save Happy Valley Coalition).

RECOMMENDATION

That the November 2008 report of the Consents Group be received.

Colin Dall

Consents & Compliance Manager

Prepared for:

Resource Management Committee

Prepared by:

Colin Dall - Consents & Compliance Manager and Michael Meehan

Compliance Team Leader

Date:

31 October 2008

Subject:

COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Site Visits

A total of 86 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

Activity	Number of Visits	Fully Compliant (%)
Resource consent monitoring	8	75
Dairy shed inspections	50	72
Complaint response	11	27
Mining compliance & bond release	17	82

Specific Issues

Dairy Effluent Discharges: Compliance staff were busy inspecting dairy sheds all over the region. The compliance results were better than the previous month which is encouraging. The main area of concern is staff are still finding sheds operating with undersized treatment systems.

Shed inspections will continue over the entire region, as well as follow up inspections where non compliance has been previously found.

Westland Milk Products Discharge to the Hokitika River: The Council received several complaints regarding a discharge from the milk factory that resulted in white 'foam' on the surface of the Hokitika River downstream of the factory discharge point. Council staff met with Westland Milk Products staff in regard to the discharge and the Company has investigated the cause of the discharge and provided a report to the Council on the matter.

The Company has implemented an action plan to try to prevent further such discharges. This includes ceasing the discharge from its treatment plant two hours either side of high tide (to avoid back-up effects), more frequent river monitoring, continuing improvements to the DAF treatment plant and investigations on an alternate treatment method and discharge point.

The Council undertook water quality sampling at the 300 metre mixing zone/compliance point and found the results to be non compliant with the relevant resource consent conditions. The Council has issued infringement notices in relation to two discharges.

Westroads – Blaketown: Westroads had taken 5,800m³ from its Blaketown mining licence area up to 27 September 2008.

Globe Progress Mine - Oceana Gold:

Council staff continued to monitor the discharges from the site more intensively than normal following the issue of the abatement notice. The results of this monitoring showed the following compliance in relation to the consent compliance limit for suspended solids:

- 2/10/08 Non-compliant (6 g/m³ above limit)
- 10/10/08 Compliant
- 14/10/08 Compliant

The Company's self-monitoring results did not show any non-compliance during the reporting period.

Solid Energy Consent and Licence Monitoring: Compliance staff carried out the following visits to Solid Energy sites:

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-	Rocky Creek Coal Handling Facility	i
-	Rapahoe Coal Handling Facility	1
-	Spring Creek Underground Mine	1
-	Terrace Mine	1
-	Ngakawau Coal Handling Facility	1
-	Stockton Opencast Mine	1

Stockton Opencast Mine & Ngakawau Coal Handling Facility

Results from Council's routine monthly water quality sampling of showed discharges from both sites were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

However, during the reporting period, there was an unauthorized discharge of sediment-laden water to Herbert Stream from works being undertaken in a settling pond. SENZ notified the Council of, and responded to, the discharge promptly. Nevertheless, it was considered that the incident was avoidable and so an infringement notice was issued in relation to the discharge.

Terrace Mine & Reefton Coal Handling Facility

Results from Council's routine water quality sampling of showed discharges from both sites were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

Rapahoe Coal Handling Facility

On 16 October 2008 water sampling results submitted by SENZ to the Council for the discharge from sampling site RP9 showed that three non-compliant discharges had occurred in September 2008. As a result of these discharges and previous non-complying discharges, an abatement notice has been issued requiring non-complying discharges to cease.

Complaints/Incidents between 29 September and 29 October 2008

There were 16 complaints/incidents received during the reporting period. A summary of these is as follows:

Activity	No. of	Description	Location	Action/Outcome
	Complaint/ Incidents			
Discharge to water	1	Non-compliant discharge to water from mining operation	Ross	Infringement notice issued
Grazing riparian margin	1	Farmer found to be grazing riparian margin of waterway	Totara Flat	Infringement notice issued
Discharge to land	1 Complaint that calves been dumped in padd		Kotuku	Compliant
Discharge to water	1	Discharge from mine site discoloured	Reefton	Formal warning issued
Discharge to water			Hokitika	Infringement notices issued
to water disch		Sediment-laden water discharge to Herbert Stream	Stockton Mine	Infringement notice issued
Discharge to land	1	Complaint regarding dumping of waste (road works spoil)	Kumara	Westland District Council applying for resource consent to dump fill at the site

		Dirty water complaint from mine site	Waimea	Still under investigation
Discharge 1 Tri to water		Trigger limit exceeded	Stockton Mine	Still under investigation
Dairy farming	3	Non compliances with dairy effluent regulations	Whataroa	Still under investigation
Rock works	1	Alleged illegal rock works	Waiho	Still under investigation
Discharge to Air	1	Alleged discharge of odour from dairy shed	Whataroa	Still under investigation
Discharge to water	1	Diesel spill in the Blaketown Lagoon	Blaketown	Still under investigation

Enforcement

The following 2 abatement notices were issued during the reporting period:

Activity	Location
Rock wall erected in location outside of resource consent conditions	Hari Hari
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Barrytown
Non-compliant discharge from settling pond system	Rapahoe

The following 12 infringement notices were issued during the reporting period:

Activity	Location
Dairy grazing riparian margin	Totara Flat
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Totara Flat
Non-compliant discharges from a gold mining operation (3 notices issued for 3 non-complying discharges)	Cockabulla Creek
Contravention of an abatement notice (3 notices issued for 3 contraventions of an abatement notice)	Cockabulla Creek
Unauthorized discharge of sediment-laden water	Herbert Stream
Non-compliant discharge from a gold mining operation	Ross
Non-compliant wastewater discharges (2 notices issued for 2 non-complying discharges)	Hokitika River

MINING

Work Programmes

The Council received the following five mining work programmes over the reporting period, three of which were approved (shown in italics):

Date	Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location
3/10/08	ML323191, RC01136	Pergamun Consultants Ltd	Ngahere
3/10/08	ML322963, RC98303	Eldon Holdings	Ngahere
8/10/08	MP50322 , RC07208	Barry Foster Contracting	Fox Creek
10/10/08	CML 37175	Solid Energy NZ	Spring Creek
10/10/08	CML 37 159	Solid Energy NZ	Strongman

Bonds Received ± 5

No bonds were received during the reporting period.

Bond Releases

It is recommended that the following bond held by Council is released:

Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location	Amount
RC99015	Paramount Mining Ltd	Waimea Creek	\$25,000

The affected landowners have notified the Council that they accept the standard of site rehabilitation.

OIL SPILL RESPONSE

A small spill of diesel was reported on 29 October in the Blaketown Lagoon area. At the time of writing this report Council staff were still investigating this matter.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the November 2008 report of the Compliance Group be received.
- 2. That the Council releases the bond held for Resource Consent RC99015.

Colin Dall
Consents & Compliance Manager

COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING** of the West Coast Regional Council will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Greymouth on

Tuesday, 11 November 2008 commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting.

A.R. SCARLETT CHAIRPERSON

C. INGLE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 14 OCTOBER 2008, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 11.11 A.M.

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APOLOGIES:

Moved (Ewen / Robb) that the apology from T. Archer be accepted.

Carried

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no presentation.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (Davidson / Robb) that the minutes of the Council Meeting 9 September 2008 be confirmed as correct.

Carried

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

REPORTS:

4.1 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON ENGINEERING OPERATIONS

S. Moran spoke to this report and took it as read.

Moved (Ewen / Birchfield) that the report be received.

Carried

4.2 VECTOR PROGRAMME MANAGER'S REPORT

C. Ingle spoke to this report on behalf of C. Pullen. C. Ingle stated that there was one failure in Grey Valley North area but the rest were passes. In the Karamea area there were over 1200 possums were destroyed with some showing symptoms of Tb lesions.

C. Ingle advised the C. Pullen is taking over the Tasman area next year and is currently working through the planning for 2009 programme.

Cr Scarlett drew attention to the high numbers of possums destroyed in the Karamea area, he stated that this information needed to be publicised widely.

Moved (Robb / Davidson) that this report be received.

Carried

4.3 CORPORATE SERVICE MANAGER'S REPORT

R. Mallinson spoke to this report. Cr Scarlett welcomed R. Mallinson back from his Local Government Manager Exchange trip to the USA. R. Mallinson reported that there is a current surplus of \$575,000. R. Mallinson reported that the investment portfolio performed well during July / August but he does not expect it to do as well for September / October.

Cr Birchfield asked whereabouts in the accounts do monies received from prosecutions show. R. Mallinson advised that this is classified as regulatory compliance income. It was agreed that this would be shown as a separate line in the report ledger. Cr Chinn asked if we have received the monies from the Save Happy Valley appeal. C. Dall has yet to complete a Declaration of Disclosure that will be lodged with the court.

Cr Davidson asked if we could consider having shared rating invoices with the district councils. He gave the example in Canterbury where you get one statement with regional and city council rates on the same invoice. R. Mallinson stated that this council is one of the only regional councils in New Zealand that collects its own rates. He advised that this method makes us more accountable to ratepayers. Cr Scarlett stated that the test would be if it saves money. Cr Birchfield stated that he would like to see the whole local body situation on the coast sorted out and not just the rating matters. R. Mallinson advised that currently we have control over our own receivables and we can pursue non-payers. Cr Chinn stated that if there is no cost saving then he would like the status quo to remain. Cr Robb stated that he can't see how it would save money as we would still need to provide information to district councils. Cr Ewen stated that he feels it is the wrong way around and we should be collecting the district councils rates. Cr Ewen suggested that this matter be raised at the next Mayors and Chairs meeting. Cr Scarlett confirmed that he would raise this at the Mayors and Chairs meeting.

Moved (Robb / Chinn) that this report be received.

Carried

5.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT

C. Ingle spoke to his report. He spoke of the meetings he attended during the reporting period included a meeting with senior management from OceanaGold. He also met with Federated Farmers and the three district councils to discuss SNA's and wetlands protection. The Regional Policy Statement Review which is coming up next year was also discussed at this meeting.

C. Ingle and S. Moran also met with senior staff from Grey District Council to discuss the Joint Floodwall Agreement.

C. Ingle advised Councillors that workshops would start next year on the West coast Regional Policy Statement Review. He advised that this is a core strategic document for the whole region and is not just about land and water but energy and minerals as well.

Moved (Ewen / Archer) that the Chief Executive's Report is received.

Carried

4.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT (VERBAL)

The Chairman reported that he will provide his verbal report next month but stated it has been a very light workload this month.

5.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Chinn asked what is council's policy on replying to letters to the Editor. Cr Scarlett stated that he responds to media inquiries and that staff email media clippings to him. Cr Ewen also responds to media inquiries. Cr Scarlett confirmed that if a media article is factually incorrect then a response is appropriate and it should be corrected.

Cr Birchfield expressed his concern regarding the prosecution of ratepayers and that penalties include prison and fines up to \$200,000. He stated that he we are going down that track then he would like an open meeting so that Councillors who are in favour of prosecution can front up. Cr Scarlett stated that this council has neither fear nor favour in terms of who we prosecute and it is

It was agreed that this matter would be discussed further in committee today.

Cr Davidson stated that we have a low rate of prosecutions at this time.

The meeting closed at 11.45 a.m

Chairman

a judgment call, on staff recommendation with the facts laid before council. He stated that this is a transparent discussion but for legal reasons it is held in committee with the majority ruling.

Prepared for: Co

Council Meeting -11 November 2008

Prepared by:

S. Moran, W. Moen & G. Hilton

Date:

21 October 2008

Subject:

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON ENGINEERING

OPERATIONS

1. STAFF

Gary Hilton has joined us replacing Grant Trenwith. He will be focusing on the Quarries, Whitebait, and Gravel.

2. RIVER AND DRAINAGE INSPECTIONS

- Wanganui River Kevin Garland Compliance Inspection
- Whataroa Inspection Lash

3. WORKS

No works were carried out in this period.

4. POTENTIAL FUTURE WORKS

There are contracts required to repair flood damage or undertake maintenance for the following rating district schemes: Karamea, Waitangitaona, Wanganui, Nelson Creek, Franz Josef, Lower Waiho, Okuru, Kowhitirangi, Vine Creek, Greymouth, Karamea, and Kongahu.

5. OTHER

All Rating District Annual General Meetings have been completed during this period.

6. QUARRIES

ROCK MOVEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

QUARRY	ROCK IN QUARRY @ 31/08/08	ROCK USED	ROCK QUARRIED	ROCK IN QUARRY @ 31/09/08
Blackball	1,000	0	0	1,000
Camelback	0	8171	8171	0
Inchbonnie	9,340	0	0	9,340
Kiwi	300	0	1700	2,000
Miedema	0	0	0	0
Okuru	1,840*	0	0	1,840*
Taramakau	0	0	0	0
Wanganui	600	0	0	600
Wanganui Stockpile	3,648	0	0	3,648
Whataroa	1500	0	0	1,500
TOTALS	18,228	8171	9871	19,928

WORK PERMITTED SINCE 1 September 2008

QUARRY	CONTRACTOR	TONNAGE REQUESTED	PERMIT START	PERMIT FINISH
Kiwi	Ferguson Bro's	15 (rubble)	7 Oct	8 Oct
Camelback	Henry Adams	1000	6 Oct	13 Oct

RECOMMENDATION

That this report is received.

Simon Moran Planning and Environmental Manager

Prepared for:

Council Meeting - 11 November 2008

Prepared by: Date:

Chris Pullen 31 October 2008

Subject:

VECTOR PROGRAMME MANAGER'S REPORT

1.0 Contracts awarded

All contracts for the second tender round have been awarded. It is encouraging to note that the contract capacity for The West Coast has remained very competitive. The following districts have had contractors successfully tender for control work.

- Seddonville
- Inangahua
- Barrytown
- Cronadun
- Blacks Point
- Grey Valley West
- Kaiata Block 1
- Arnold Valley Blocks 2,3
- Bell Hill Blocks 2,3,5
- Inchbonnie
- Kowhitirangi
- Arahura Blocks 1 and 2
- Mikonui Totara
- Harihari
- Waitangitoana Whataroa
- Waitaha

2.0 Operations completed

The following Vector Control work has been carried out for this report period.

Ongoing Control Work:

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	INPUT OUTPUT	NOTES
Buller South	2	VCS	Output	Acceptable Progress
Karamea	3	HUNTA	Output	Acceptable Progress
Grey Valley North	2	Tasman Pest	Output	Acceptable Progress
Kumara Control	2	Peltons	Output	Acceptable Progress
Kumara Control	3	VCS	Input	Acceptable Progress
Kokatahi	1	HUNTA	Output	Acceptable Progress
Taipo	2	VCS	Output	Acceptable Progress
Kaiata Marsden	1	Hughes	Output	Acceptable Progress
Grey Valley North	3	Tasman Pest	Output	Acceptable Progress
Grey Valley North	1	Hughes	Output	Commenced
Franz Waiho	1	Schute	Output	Acceptable Progress

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	NOTES
Kaiata Marsden	1	Enviro First	85% complete
Milltown		Enviro First	98% complete
Upper Ahaura Monitor	2	Enviro First	85% complete
Arahura Monitor	3	Forest Rangers	95 % complete
Buller South	2	H&M	98% complete
Kumara Junction	2	H & M	Commenced
Kokatahi	1	Holden	65% complete
Kumara Junction	1	H & M	98% complete
Taipo Monitor	2	Enviro First	Commenced

Monitored/Completed Control Work:

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	INPUT OUTPUT	NOTES
Buller South	1	VCS	Output	Pass
Milltown	Block	HUNTA	Output	Pass
Grey Valley North	2	Tasman Pest	Output	Pass
Kumara Control	2	Peltons	Output	Pass
Taipo	2	VCS	Output	Pass
Marsden	1	Hughes	Output	Awaiting monitor
Marsden	2	Hughes	Output	Awaiting monitor

3.0 General

- i. The groundwork continues to progress well, although the continuous wet weather has hampered progress in some areas specifically Greymouth and Grey Valley.
- ii. All 1st round control projects are on track to be completed within required timeframes.
- iii. Progress in Karamea block 3 is being monitored and whilst possums numbers caught have Decreased, traps and bait stations are still proving effective.
- iv. The West Coast team hosted a workshop in late October to discuss future programmes.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Chris Pullen Programme Manager West Coast Tasman

Prepared for: Prepared by:

Council Meeting Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager

Date:

30 October 2008

Subject

CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Financial Report to 30 September 2008

FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008			ACTUAL	
	ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE	% ANNUAL	ANNUAL
		BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET
REVENUES]		
General Rates	476,194	471,250	25%	1,885,000
Rates Penalties	24,401	1		75,000
Investment Income	-118,339		-12%	1,000,000
Regulatory	473,883		52%	915,500
Planning Processes	26,746	· ·	23%	117,622
Environmental Monitoring	640		0%	0
Emergency Management	7,373		29%	25,000
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	284,595		34%	827,380
Vector Mgmt	208,780	. ' '	32%	655,000
Regional % Share Controls	91,975	91,250	25%	365,000
VCS Business Unit	1,337,440	529,277	63%	2,117,106
	2,813,688	2,044,927	35%	7,982,608
EXPENDITURE				
Representation	90,460	104,464	22%	417,855
Regulatory Activities	637,362		38%	1,662,778
Planning Processes	108,754	· ·	19%	580,584
Environmental Monitoring	156,527		22%	717,547
Emergency Management	22,617		18%	126,103
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	288,676	555,716	13%	2,222,865
Vector Mgmt	162,955	123,798	33%	495,191
Regional % Share Controls	199,033	217,187	23%	868,746
VCS Business Unit	913,270	453,887	50%	1,815,547
Portfolio Management	14,255	0		0
Overhead overrecovered	-1,852			
	2,592,057	2,226,804	29%	8,907,216
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	221,631	-181,877		-924,608
Transfer Rating District Interest	-39,574			
To Transfer to Balance Sheet	182,057			

BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ANNUAL
		Year to date	BUDGET
Rating Districts	20,356	-270,986	-1,083,942
Quarries	25,926	-6,167	-24,669
Regional % Share of AHB Programmes	-107,058	-125,937	-503,746
Investment Income	-132,594	250,000	1,000,000
VCS Business Unit	424,170	75,390	301,559
Vector Mgmt	45,825	39,952	159,809
Other	1,852	0	0
All Other Activities	-56,846	-144,130	-773,619
TOTAL	221,631	-181,877	-924,608

				Net
Net Contributors to "Other Activities" Surplus (-Deficit)	Actual	<u>Budet ytd</u>	Annual Plan	<u>Variance</u>
	1		i	Actual v
				budget ytd
Rates	476,194	471,250	1,885,000	4,944
Rates Penalties	24,401	18,750	75,000	5,651
Representation	-90,460	-104,464	-417,855	14,004
Regulatory Activities	-163,479	-137,545	-747,278	-25,935
Planning Activities	-82,008	-115,741	-462,962	33,733
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection (excl. RD's and Quarries)	-50,363	-71,719	-286,874	21,356
Environmental Monitoring	-155,887	-179,387	-717,547	23,500
Emergency Management	-15,244	-25,276	-101,103	10,032
	-56,846	-144,130	-773,619	87,284

STATEMENT OF EINANGIAL POSITION AS	AT 20 SEDTEMBE	D 2000
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS	SAL SUSEPTEMBE	K 2008
	@ 30/09/2008	@ 30/06/2008
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	397,621	80,047
Short term Deposit - Westpac	0	1,704,438
Accounts Receivable - Rates Accounts Receivable - General Debtors	1,384,052 159,179	263,628 562,347
Prepayments	75,525	51,691
Sundry Receivables	632,533	682,810
Stock - explosives	716	716
Stock - VCS	53,855	225,612
Stock - Rock	62,980	61,680
Stock - Office Supplies	12,493	12,493
No. Committee	2,778,954	3,645,462
Non Current Assets Investments	40 005 452	44 005 000
Fixed Assets	10,825,453	11,035,326 3,247,070
Infrastructural Assets	3,206,645 39,403,646	39,403,646
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	53,435,744	53,686,042
TOTAL ASSETS	56,214,698	57,331,504
CURDENT LIADUITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES Bank OD	0	0
Accounts Payable	417,639	0 1,689,057
GST	116,200	91,603
Deposits and Bonds	391,796	338,486
Sundry Payables	107,051	457,106
Accrued Annual Leave, Payroll	190,060	193,522
Other Revenue in Advance	30,000	491,250
Rates Revenue in Advance	735,399	60,015
	4.000.445	
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,988,145	3,321,039
Future Quarry restoration	85,800	85,800
Punakaiki Loan	308,259	316,217
Lower Waiho Loan	72,124	0
Office Equipment and IT Leases	106,687	136,819
	572,870	538,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,561,015	3,859,875
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EQUITY		
Ratepayers Equity	19,990,241	19,990,241
Surplus Tsfrd.	182,057	
Rating District Equity Mvmts	-241,814	
Rating Districts Equity	2,654,834	2,413,020
Tb Special Rate Balance	262,885	262,885
Revaluation Quarry Account	22,222,725 -17,245	22,222,728
Investment Growth Reserve	-17,245 8,600,000	-17,245 8,600,000
TOTAL EQUITY	53,653,683	53,471,629
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	56,214,698	57,331,504

PORTFOLIO @ 30 SEPTEM Summary & Reconciliation	/BER 2008	Cash	Bonds	Australasian Equities	International Equities	Property Equities	Alternative Asset Clas		
Portfolio Value @ Start	01 July 2008	2733073	3421783	1381877	1812269	724252	939971	11013225 0	
Contributions	}	31455		33644	60883	8572	1839		-8111
Withdrawls	}	-188271	-10608	-10010	0	-3369	-5253		
Realised Gains/(Losses)								0	
Price		-56840	-21773					-78133 }	-130606
FX				-33644	-60688	-8572	-1839	,	
Unrealised Gains/(Losses)								0}	
Price		26694	66076	-108481	-174575	-27240	-85715	-303241 }	
FX				-57245	33457				
Marie Fr.								0 }	
Mgmt Fee								0 } 0 }	
Interest Income		91632	53610	1938	,	2281	2962	152423 }	
Changes Accrued Interest		0	32985					32985 }	
Dividends				10110				0 }	
Dividends				16148	35904	11904		63956 } }	
reversal Hedges 30.6.08				21045	59398	5362	22860	108665 }	
Current Hedges				43833	-18737	11162	-135407	-99149 Ĵ	
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Portfolio Value @ End Period	30 SEPTEMBER 2000	2037743	3542073	1289585	1747911	710816	8/33/4	10801502	
•	mvmt sept		130898						
	oct	42697	91235						
		18789	39663	-219438	-235654	-16083	38962		
					Structured co	redit	97725		
					Emerging ma		911056		
					Hedge positi	ons	135407		
							873374		

Asset Allocation %'s @ 30 SEF	TEMBLICACIO DE	TIGHTIAI KS	Tactical asset allocation range
Cash	24%	25%	10% - 50%
Bonds	33%	25%	10% - 50%
Australasian Equities	12%	15%	0% - 20%
International Equities	16%	15%	0% - 20%
Property Equities	7%	5%	0% - 10%
Alternative Asset Classes	8%	15%	0% - 20%
	100%	100%	

2. General Comment

Total operating expenditure for the three month period was \$2.592 million.

Total revenues for the period amounted to \$2.813 million.

The total surplus was \$221,000

Highlights:;

- Investment income. The loss for the three months to 30 September is a result of the international Equity markets downturn during September and October.
- Positive budget variances amounting to \$87,000 with regard to "All Other Activities", in a number of areas.
- VCS Business Unit has completed the winter aerial contracts and that is why both revenue and expenditure exceed budget @ 30 September.
- Cash position is positive. Rates due date was 20 October and @ 31 October Council had \$1,300,000 with its Westpac Money Market Deposit account.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Robert Mallinson Corporate Services Manager 4.3.1

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for:

Council Meeting - 11 November 2008

Prepared by:

Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager

Date:

30 October 2008

Subject:

SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES FOR 2009

Attached is a proposed meeting date schedule for 2009.

All dates are the second Tuesday of the month.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the 2009 Schedule of Meeting Dates.

Robert Mallinson Corporate Services Manager

SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES FOR 2009

ORDINARY MEETING AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT MEETINGS

(Held 2nd Tuesday of the Month — Commencing at 10.30 a.m.)

MEETING MONTH	DATE	
2009		
January	No Meeting	
February	10 th	
March	10 th	
April	14 th	
May	12 th	
June	9 th	
July	14 th	
August	11 th	
September	8 th	
October	13 th	
November	10 th	
December	8 th	

4.3.2

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for:

Council Meeting

Prepared by:

Robert Mallinson - Corporate Services Manager

Date:

31 March 2008

Subject:

ADOPTION OF AUDITED ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR

TO 30 JUNE 2008

The audit of the Annual Report will have been finalised and a copy of the signed audit report from Audit New Zealand will be tabled at the meeting.

In accordance with section 98 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council must adopt the audited annual report by resolution.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the audited Annual Report for the Year to 30 June 2008 in accordance with section 98 of the Local Government Act 2002,

Robert Mallinson Corporate Services Manager

Prepared for:

Council Meeting 11 November 2008

Prepared by:

Chris Ingle - Chief Executive

Date:

31 October 2008

Subject:

CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT

Meetings Attended

The meetings I have attended since the 14 October Council meeting include:

- Attended various Rating District Annual Meetings including:
 - Karamea,
 - Kongahu,
 - Greymouth Joint Floodwall Committee Meeting,
 - Kaniere.
 - Hokitika Southside,
 - Raft Creek, and
 - Kowhitirangi.
- Attended a one day Media Skills Training Course.
- Met twice with Department of Conservation staff regarding the Wetlands Variation.
- Met Development West Coast tourism destination consultants regarding signage planning.
- Attended the Animal Health Board Meeting held at Shantytown.

AHB Secondment Arrangement

Recent discussions with the Animal Health Board have resulted in extending our current one year secondment arrangement for Council Vector Management staff. The current agreement expires 30 June 2009 and the AHB have indicated they wish to extend that for a further 2 year period till 30 June 2011. AHB also indicated they want to negotiate a separate lease arrangement for use of their end of the building. I am working through the details with them at present.

LTCCP progress

Work on the LTCCP is slightly behind schedule but we are hoping to catch up over the coming weeks prior to Christmas. The only major change to the project plan is that the financial budgeting work will now be completed in early January instead of 20 December. For the Councillor workshop we will still be aiming for late February.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Chris Ingle Chief Executive

To: Chairperson

West Coast Regional Council

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, -

Agenda Item No. 8.

14 – 17 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 14 October 2008

18 – 20 8.2 Enforcement Matters

21 8.3 Funding Request

8.4 Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)

Item No.	General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution.
8.			
8.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 14 October 2008		Section 48(1)(a) and in particular Section 9 of 2nd
8.2	Overdue Debtors Report		Schedule Local Government Official Information and Meetings
8.3	Funding Request		Act 1987.
8.4	Enforcement Matters		

I also move that:

- Chris Ingle
- Robert Mallinson
- Simon Moran
- Colin Dall

be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge on the subject. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed.

The Minutes Clerk also be permitted to remain at the meeting.