

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE, WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE, ON TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2006, FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULATORY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Steve Parry  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**8 November 2006**

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  - Mataura Wetland – MWH Cost Estimate

## FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA

NOVEMBER 2006

### 1. PRESENTATION OF CIVIC AWARD

(Memo from Chief Executive – 01.11.06)

As Councillors will be aware from a recent oral briefing, His Worship the Mayor and I have recently been reflecting on the format and style of the presentation made to recipients of the Council's Civic Award.

This award has traditionally, but not always, been bestowed on an annual basis with the presentation taking the form of an afternoon tea with invited guests in the James Cumming Wing. The timing of the presentation is not fixed on any particular date but normally it occurs in the latter part of the year.

It was thought that the presentation of the Civic Award could be combined with other awards that take place in the District in order that a formal function could be held to celebrate and acknowledge excellence in a variety of areas in the community.

Please find attached a scoping paper for this proposal which was prepared to enable discussions to take place with representatives from Gore Pakeke Lions, Gore Soroptimists, Gore Rotary Club, Matura Lions, Sport Southland and the Eastern Southland Chamber of Commerce.

With the exception of the Matura Lions Club all of these organisations are supportive of the concept in principle. The organisations concerned are keen to see the Council endorse the concept to enable more detailed planning to commence. In the case of the Matura Lions Club at this stage it is not prepared to relinquish total control of its sports awards and have them presented at the proposed community awards gala dinner. However the club has not closed its mind to the concept and towards this end His Worship the Mayor and I will be attending a meeting of the Matura Lions later this month to explain the concept in more detail.

It will be noted that corporate sponsorship is being mooted as essential to ensure that the event is successful and not a drain on ratepayers. I can advise at this juncture that I am following a

positive line of inquiry with a large corporate organisation. I am quietly optimistic that discussions and correspondence exchanged will produce a positive result in respect of sponsorship.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the Council endorse in principle the holding of an annual community awards gala dinner to present a range of community awards with the Council's Civic Award being afforded premiere status.**

**AND THAT the Council note that it is intended to finance the event via sponsorship and attendance fees.**

## 2. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2006

(Memo from Chief Financial Officer – 24.10.06)

### **Operating Results**

For the three months ended 30 September 2006, the Gore District Council recorded a surplus of \$6,632,000. This is unfavourable by \$37,000 on the budget result for the same period.

Our performance for the period is summarised in the table below. The full results can be found in the statements at the end of this report.

<b>September</b>							<b>Full Year LTCCP</b>
<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>		<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>\$000</b>
<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>		<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>	<b>\$000</b>
<b>Revenue</b>							
0	0	0	Rates	8,668	8,629	39	8,629
22	387	(365)	Other	1,133	1,313	(180)	4,793
<b>22</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>(365)</b>		<b>9,801</b>	<b>9,943</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>13,422</b>
<b>Expenses</b>							
23	45	21	Democracy	99	134	34	535
790	698	(92)	Assets	1,997	2,093	96	8,373
333	349	16	Corporate Services	1,073	1,047	(26)	4,192
<b>1,146</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>(55)</b>		<b>3,169</b>	<b>3,274</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>13,099</b>
<b>(1,124)</b>	<b>(705)</b>	<b>(420)</b>	<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>6,632</b>	<b>6,669</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>323</b>

### **Variance Explanation**

#### **Income**

Overall income is unfavourable by \$142k.

The Transfund subsidy is the major reason for the unfavourable variance as spending on roads has not been high so far this year. As a result the subsidy is \$180k behind budget. This is purely a timing difference.

The full rates strike for 2006/07 is included in the operating results giving the Council a large operating surplus. The rates

figure will not change much for the rest of the year, therefore the surplus will steadily decrease towards the \$323k predicted at the end of the financial year.

### **Expenditure**

Overall expenditure is favourable by \$105k. This is mainly due to timing differences. Although this is a positive result it is too early in the financial year to make any meaningful comment on the variance and the probable trend.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the financial report for the three months ended 30 September 2006 be received.**

**Gore District Council  
Statement of Financial Performance  
1 July - 30 September 2006**

September				Actual	Budget	Variance	LTCCP
Actual	Budget	Variance		Actual	Budget	Variance	LTCCP
\$000	\$000	\$000		\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Revenue</b>							
0	0	0	Rates	8,668	8,629	39	8,629
10	10	(0)	Petroleum Tax	31	31	(0)	123
99	171	(72)	Transfund Subsidy	254	513	(259)	2,051
176	203	(27)	Licenses Fees & Other Revenue	843	762	80	2,590
(263)	2	(266)	Interest and Dividends	6	7	(2)	29
<b>22</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>(365)</b>		<b>9,801</b>	<b>9,943</b>	<b>(142)</b>	<b>13,422</b>
<b>Expenses</b>							
23	45	21	Democracy	99	134	34	535
209	264	55	Essential services	727	792	65	3,167
402	267	(135)	Roads	769	802	32	3,207
111	113	1	Reserves & Sport Facilities	330	338	8	1,352
68	54	(14)	Property	171	161	(9)	646
59	50	(10)	Regulatory	185	149	(37)	594
83	87	4	Aquatic Centres	232	260	29	1,041
77	74	(3)	Heritage Precinct	221	222	1	887
115	139	24	Administration	436	417	(19)	1,669
<b>1,146</b>	<b>1,091</b>	<b>(55)</b>		<b>3,169</b>	<b>3,274</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>13,099</b>
<b>(1,124)</b>	<b>(705)</b>	<b>(420)</b>	<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>6,632</b>	<b>6,669</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>323</b>

**Gore District Council  
Balance Sheet  
As at 30 September 2006**

Actual		Actual	LTCCP
30 Jun 2006		30 Sep 2006	30 Jun 2007
\$000		\$000	\$000
<b>Equity</b>			
137,223	Accumulated funds	143,856	138,388
106,982	Asset Revaluation Reserve	106,980	108,025
<b>244,205</b>		<b>250,836</b>	<b>246,413</b>
<b>Assets</b>			

<b>Current Assets</b>			
(16)	Bank	(158)	41
1,263	Debtors	7,780	900
711	Short Term Deposits	1,711	708
39	Inventory	45	0
<b>1,997</b>		<b>9,378</b>	<b>1,649</b>
<b>Non current Assets</b>			
68	Investments	68	68
230	Loans to Community Groups	230	0
251,994	Fixed Assets	251,507	255,561
<b>252,292</b>		<b>251,806</b>	<b>255,629</b>
<b>254,289</b>	<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>261,184</b>	<b>257,278</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
<b>1,496</b>	Creditors	<b>1,759</b>	<b>1,525</b>
<b>Non Current Liabilities</b>			
8,400	Term Loans	8,400	9,196
188	Landfill Aftercare Provision	188	144
<b>8,588</b>		<b>8,588</b>	<b>9,340</b>
<b>10,084</b>	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>10,348</b>	<b>10,865</b>
<b>244,205</b>	<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>250,836</b>	<b>246,413</b>