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Subject: RE: Meola Creek Improvements
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Good Morning Pat and Elizabeth,
The Mayor also enjoyed his visit to Meola Creek and he has asked that a copy of the photo be hung on his pin-board in our office.

We have received an update on the planned dates from Watercare, as follows:

As Jim indicated, their initial planning provided for Stage 1 of the Central Interceptor to be complete by 2025, which would address the overflow issues in the Meola catchment of concern to STEPS. In preparing their next AMP, Watercare are looking at the implications of bringing the project forward. It has been their intention for some time to prepare draft resource consent applications by the end of this year and they are on track to do that. They will consult on the draft applications in 2012, with the objective of notifying them towards the end of 2012. Provided there are no substantive appeals, they anticipate consents being granted in late 2013, design and tendering being undertaken in 2014 and construction starting in 2016. Stage 1 would then be complete by December 2021, four years earlier than previously anticipated.

Watercare are still working on the full costing and funding implications and the impact on wastewater charges but the revised timing is the earliest they believe is possible, taking into account consenting, the scale of construction and funding. They believe that there are no other projects they could defer to bring forward the timing any further. The effect on wastewater charges could be an important influencing factor on the timing of final project completion.

As Jim mentioned at the meeting, the Central Interceptor will address the wastewater issues, but there are still significant flooding issues in parts of the area served by the Central Interceptor that the Council will need to address and fund in addition.

I am copying this email to Matthew and invite him to share with us any work that our Stormwater Team are doing towards this.

Regards

Michael Joseph

From: Elizabeth Walker [mailto:elizabeth.walker@xtra.co.nz]
Sent: Saturday, July 02, 2011 2:48 PM
To: Mayor Len Brown
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Dear Mayor Len Brown,

We wanted to thank you again for the time you spent visiting Meola Creek on 11 June. We very much enjoyed your visit and shortly this photo will be on our website along with a brief report.

We also wanted to follow up on our earlier meeting with yourself and Jim Hodges of Watercare. We would like to ask whether you have had any improvements in their planned dates at all please, eg the Central Interceptor project; or whether you have been able to identify any other means by which the continual overflows will be reduced. If your office can keep us up to date with the progress or the Watercare report on this matter we would appreciate it.

We were very pleased by the follow up from your office about the local business community meeting you in regards to Meola Creek. Given the proximity of the very large St Lukes Westfield complex, we have responded to your office to try to clarify in which ways we might get the best benefit for Meola Creek from your kind offer.

We look forward to seeing you again soon,
Thanks and regards,
Liz and Pat

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