

## **Update from the Council**

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Hi everyone

As promised, a quick update from me to let you know what we've been doing at the Council.

To make my life easier, I've included a summary below of today's elected members update. I am responsible for providing the update at the end of each day and you will note that I like to keep it brief and with a bit of humour.

Take care people and stay safe.

Robyn

#### Today's summary to elected members

You will have all heard the news that we continue in Level 4 lockdown until Tuesday, 11.59 pm. And that three positive cases have now been identified closer to home in Wellington.

Other news from today:

- The Incident Management Team met this morning and then again after this afternoon's announcement from the Prime Minister. We
  have agreed to get our contractors to visit playgrounds, mountain bike tracks etc to put up tape and signage. Richard Hollier spoke to
  the contractor straight after our meeting. We are also closing public toilets apart from those 11 sites on the highways or busy freight
  routes.
- · We are also putting a process and protocols in place around requests from staff for IT equipment, paper files or PPE.
- We have agreed to go ahead with next week's Council meetings including Joint Shareholders on Tuesday and Community Grants on Wednesday. Also, Cr Maling and Cr Butler have a TRMP hearing on Thursday. All will be held via Zoom. Staff will contact those councillors on the Community Grants subcommittee this afternoon so that they can help you be well prepared for the meeting.
- Another inter-agency briefing was held this afternoon. Again, if you want the full notes let me know. Of interest, it is reported that the Government's wage subsidy and resurgence payment went online at 9am today and there have been 47,000 applications lodged so far.
- We were expecting three new staff to commence work with the Council on Monday but we will advise them to stay put at the moment and we will review that next week.

That's about it from me – hubby has the fire going so I might cosy up to that, not very warm here today.

I'll leave you with a photo that I hope provides a smile. That is Tara's dog "JK" waiting for 5.00 pm to roll by so he can really relax 🕲

Take care everyone, stay safe and be kind.

### Robyn



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