

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

Summary Fourth Annual Report - 30 June 2006

To the Chairman IPENZ Transportation Group for Annual Report to be presented to the Group Annual Meeting 8th October 2006

1. BOARD MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS AND MEMEBERSHIP

This is the fourth Annual report since the NZTPDB was established in 2002. In 2005-2006 the Board of NZTPDB comprised David Gamble (Chairman Dunedin) and six elected members including Steve Reddish (Deputy Chairman Auckland), Chris Freke (Manukau), Ian Clark (Auckland), John Winter (Hamilton), Steve Spence (Wellington), Tony Brennand (Wellington), together with Mike Blyleven (as the IPENZ Transportation Group's nominee, Christchurch) and Bob Alkema (nominated by LTNZ, Wellington). Bob Alkema was replaced by Peter Croft in December 2005 and in turn, on the latter's departure to Australia, Bob Gibson of LTNZ joined the Board in April.2006.

The Board held six tele conference meetings during the year and also a Special General Meeting at Christchurch in December.

2. TPDB MEMBERSHIP

It will be recalled we had 14 members at the end of our first year June 2003, lifting to 28 at the end of our second year June 2004, 33 in June 2005 and this year we have reached 41.

The fully paid up membership at the beginning of July 2006 was as follows:

Auckland City Council	Tauranga City Council
Dunedin City Council	Wellington City Council
Hastings City Council	Wellington Regional Council
Hutt City Council	Western Bay of Plenty City Council
Manukau City Council	Douglass Consulting Services
Palmerston North City Council	Traffic Design Group
Auckland Regional Council	TrafficPlan Ltd (D Gamble)
Christchurch City Council	New Plymouth City Council
Environment Waikato	Opus International
Montgomery Watson MWHGlobal.	Beca Carter Hollings Ferner
Porirua City Council	Bloxham Burnett & Olliver.
Tim Kelly Consultants	Gabites Porter (Hamilton)
Traffic Planning Consultants	Waitakere City Council
Waitakere City Council	Environment Canterbury
Sinclair Knight Mertz (SKM)	Invercargill City Council
Steve Abley	Napier City Council
Transit New Zealand	Wes Edwards (Auckland)
Flow Transport Specialists (Auckland)	Franklin District Council
Planned Solutions (Napier)	Traffic Engineering & Managt (Auckland)
North Shore City Council	Susan McAuley (Nelson)
Connell Wagner	Traffic & Transport Engineers (Auckland)

The Board is recommending to its Annual Meeting on Monday 9th October that a new clause to Rule 5.1 Classes of Membership be added to cover the need to recognise Reciprocal Membership with similar organisations e.g. AITPM and TRICS/UK and including the NZ Universities.

The NZ-TPDB is an Incorporated Society and a Focus group of the IPENZ Transportation Group. Its purpose is to collect Data on Surveyed Trips, Parking and Traffic and share it with NZ professional engineers and planners.

3. NEWSLETTERS, CONTACTS AND WEBSITE

Four Newsletters were sent out reflecting progress to both inform our members and rouse interest in extending the membership.

International Contacts with similar organisations such as ITE, RTA/ARRB/AITPM continue to grow. Great strides have been made in our contacts with TRICS/UK and, as a result of our joint research project the Board has resolved to offer TRICS the new Reciprocal Membership when that is made effective at this Annual meeting.

The Website www.nztpdb.org.nz was established on the 19 April and is proving an attraction.

4. NEW INITIATIVES

The Database continues to be our major stock in trade. However it has now been complemented by access to the UK/TRICS Database. A new Database Disc together with an up to date of our 14 page User Guide was distributed on the 24 August. However the Board continues to be very concerned about the lack of NZ survey data volunteered from our members and other organisations during the year.

Five major initiatives for 2006/2007 are all designed to correct deficiencies, build membership and the database. These include

1. The NZTPDB seeks to improve and popularise useful surveys and survey techniques. With this in mind a revised Summary Site Survey Form has been prepared to be distributed widely.
2. We now have access to the UK/TRICS Trips and Parking Database through our three regional stations including Ian Clark (Auckland), Tim Kelly (Wellington) and Steve Abley (Christchurch) and this service is gradually being used more.
3. The Website www.nztpdb.org.nz is proving of interest to an increasing number of members and others.
4. The major Research Project "Correlating UK/NZ Trips and Parking Rates" is now in hand. This major \$85000 research project, largely funded by Land Transport New Zealand Research, represents a major break through which should prove of great utility to members
5. The 7 regional Travel and Parking Workshops proposed in March 2007 will lift the profile and quality of the work with a wider range of both engineering and planning professionals. The sponsoring organisations include IPENZ, NZPI, MfE, LGNZ and the two Institutes have approved the course as part of their Professional Development Programme for 2007.

5. FINANCES AND ANNUAL PLAN 2005/06

Audited Accounts will be presented at the Annual meeting. Last years income increased by \$10,000 on the previous years figures resulting in a membership fee income of \$44000. However our expenditure climbed to \$55,000 which resulted in a draw down on our cash resources

The NZTPDB in 2005/2006 established a conservative budget based on a minimum income of \$40,000 however with increased income and application of our cash reserves it was possible to undertake further work. We have achieved a larger investment in website work, publications and preparation for the LTNZ Research (now approved as LTR0079). It is gratifying that the expanded programme became possible and so much has been achieved

6. MEMBERSHIP LEVY AND ANNUAL PLAN 2006/2007

In order to secure the additional \$10,000 necessary for NZTPDB to fund its share of Research (LTR 0079) the Board increased the service fee by 20% to all existing members. The incidence of the new rates with the number in each category are as follows:-

- A1,B1,C1, rise from \$2000 to \$2400 + Gst 300 = \$2700 (18 members)
- B2, C2, rise from \$1000 to \$1200 + Gst 150 = \$1350 (9)
- B3, C3 rise from \$500 to \$600 + Gst 75 = \$ 675 (5)
- C4, D1, D2, rise from \$250 to \$300 + Gst 37.5 = \$ 337.5 (9)

Proposed Annual Plan 2006/2007. Extending this levy means the work in this years programme is also extended. This is to be paid for partly from the increase in fees partly from the anticipated increased membership and most importantly from the LTNZ Research grant of \$75000 for the UK/NZ Trip Correlation research. The total expenditure budget for the coming year is \$ 70,000 plus the LTNZ Research Grant of \$75,000.

7. ADMINISTRATION

Malcolm Douglass (Douglass Consulting Services Ltd.) and Steve Abley (Chartered Transportation Engineer). both based in Christchurch continue to provide the technical bureau service as contract administrator and researchers. Their positions are as consultant support with specific tasks agreed by the Board and contracted throughout the year. This year the work has been extensive and it is gratifying to see such a productive result in research, on the database and also liaison with our international colleagues developing so satisfactorily.

With Don McKenzie's shift to Auckland and because of altered circumstances the long association (7 years) of his contract research to NZTPDB has come to an end. We thank Don for all his efforts. We hope we can find suitable research and survey opportunities to continue the valued association NZTPDB has had with Traffic Design Group. It is gratifying that Andy Carr of TDG Christchurch is available and can assist us on specific tasks.

8. CONCLUSION

I thank the Transportation Group and the Management Committee for their continued support of the NZTPDB Focus Group. This next year promises to be the most productive in the 5 years of this initiative We also ask that more organisations, councils, consultants and individuals join the cooperative and add their support and use the Bureau's services.



Chairman of the NZTPDB Board

8 October 2006.