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Welcome to the April 2006 NZTPDB newsletter. In this edition we cover the progress and development of a number of key initiatives that will provide significant benefits to you as members.

WEBSITE LAUNCH

Work continues on our website – www.nztpdb.org.nz – with further content currently being developed. The site has two main areas, a public area with general information to encourage new members, and a secure area for members only. The members only area will allow access to documents and an easy to use email list to enable information transfer between members.

The member login area will be launched on 19 April 2006. All members will receive an email with a user name, password and login instructions. We encourage you to login as soon as possible, change your password and make use of the functions of this site.

The site development was lead by Steve Abley – Chartered Transportation Engineering, with content supplied by Malcolm Douglass.



Malcolm discussing the website development

LTNZ RESEARCH PROPOSALS

Two 'request for proposals' were submitted to LTNZ on 31 March 2006. We will be notified of the outcome of these proposals at the end of June. The proposals are:

1. Correlation of UK & NZ Trips & Parking Rates
This builds on our collaboration with the UK TRICS database. It is effectively an analysis to correlate equivalent land uses and traffic situations and demonstrate the similarities and differences of UK and NZ situations. This

research is an effective way to increase the NZTPDB database and provide increased quality and quantity of information to NZ practitioners.

2. NZ Transportation Assessment Guidelines

This research would provide practitioners with common guidance for what matters should be addressed and the scale of report appropriate as a Transportation Assessment (TA) for developments and plan change situations under the RMA and the relevance of transportation strategies under the LTMA. This would encourage good practice and ensure transportation effects of development and transport effects on the environment are better understood and appropriate conditions applied.

UK TRICS DATABASE IN NEW ZEALAND

Our recent collaboration with the UK TRICS database has resulted in three complimentary licenses for member use. To access the TRICS database contact one of the following members:

- **Auckland** – Ian Clark, Flow Transportation, ian@flownz.com, 09 970 3870
- **Wellington** – Tim Kelly, T.K. Transportation, tim.kelly@paradise.net.nz, 04 233 8752
- **Christchurch** – Steve Abley, Steve Abley Chartered Transportation Engineering, steve@abley.com, 03 960 9300

BOARD AND MEMBERSHIP

The board met on 23 February 2006 and confirmed the ongoing collaboration with UK TRICS. The board's support of the two LTNZ proposals has resulted in their inclusion on Steering Groups for each proposal.

A campaign to target prospective members is underway with approaches and email lists being developed. If you know of any potential members either let us know or forward the attached application form. Membership is growing and with the increased services provided including the website and the UK TRICS licences we expect continued growth.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS – NZTPDB ADMINISTRATOR

The NZTPDB 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.