

Chair's Report – March 2023

As we near the end of the third quarter of our financial year we remain in a strong financial position. Mainly due to significant budgeted capital works not yet being carried out.

We are currently consulting on our Annual Plan and the option of significant spending is proposed. This is the Communities chance to have their say and I implore the public to engage in the process. These decisions will have a multigenerational impact.

Finally I wish to reflect on a workshop, 'Strategic Public Leaders' with Alicia McKay, that some of us attended in December last year.

She put up two photos that have stuck with me, best illustrated from Ninh Binh in Vietnam.



Its important to get out of the weeds.

But see 'our world' from a peak.

Take a helicopter view.

On the peak we can see where Council can add the greatest value.

But it is still vital we stay connected to our communities.

