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NZTA Roothing 'Alliance'

Dear Jenny,

The Management Committee of the Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce would like to assure you of our support for the decision to join the NZTA Roothing 'Alliance'. We also believe that many in the business community support your decision.

The roading decision was made in December. Controversial though it still is to some segments of the community, it is a fact. The design process is now underway in Wellington and the design of the road will make a huge difference to what Kapiti gets and well how it works for us. Put simply, and notwithstanding the politics, it is vital that the interests of our community are represented in the roading design and the Kapiti Coast District Council is the only body able to represent those interests.

From the perspective of the 'key factors for long term economic health in Kapiti', the Chamber continues to advocate that the roading design address connectivity, access to the road, and keeping Kapiti 'a good place to be'.

By making this difficult decision, Council will likely be able to gain significant wins for our community that it would not have been able to otherwise.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Ternent, MNZM
Chairperson
Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce