



LGNZ/NZUAG

Utilities in Roads

**Update for RCA Forum
27 April 2007**

What's been happening

- MED released Policy Paper October 06
- MED Policy Objectives developed
- NZUAG/LGNZ Workshop held 19 February
- Intention of Workshop was to raise issue from operational level in LA's to strategic. Utilities already see it as strategic
- NZUAG/LGNZ/Utilities discussions held over March and April.
- MED want answer by October 2007.

Current Situation

- Joint working party (the Directors Group) of local authorities, Transit, OnTrack and Utilities currently working to revise and update existing Code of Practice for Working in the Road to reflect MED Policy Objectives.
- Directors Group responsible for overall strategic direction of the “code”
- Collaboration is essential to achieve best overall outcomes for all parties
- Joint technical working parties being set up

Current Situation

- LGNZ bringing together key strategists and practitioners to represent Local Government interests
- Emphasising community aspects of the street corridors as well as efficiency and safety
- Seeking support from Local Authorities
- MED looking for National Code by October 2007

RCA Forum Involvement

- All RCAs /TLAs will be affected and need to keep themselves informed and involved
- Communication network to be established for two-way feedback. Also possibly use NZUAG website.
- Quick responses essential
- Support groups of TLA and TNZ people to be set up
- Funding essential.

Representation

Directors Group

Phillip Eyles – LGNZ

Phil Consedine –NSCC

Technical Group

nominees ?

Corridor Planning/Management Group

nominees ?