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To: Wayne Heerdegen; Raewyn Bleakley

Subject: Strengthening the Wellington region - progress update July 2016: EMBARGOED UNTIL 3.00PM TODAY

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Strengthening the Wellington region - Progress update 5.05pm 28 July.docx Wairarapa Engagement Summary July 2016 12.15pm Thursday 28 July 2016.docx

Dear Raewyn and Wayne,

Later today the Local Government Commission will be releasing a progress update on its work with councils and communities to strengthen local government in the Wellington region. This work follows the Commission's decision in June 2015 not to proceed with a proposal for a unitary council for the region.

Attached, for your information, is the package of materials and announcements from the Commissioners.

These materials are embargoed until 3.00pm today when they will be publicly released.

Kind regards

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