

ISPANZ UPDATE FOR MEMBERS – OCTOBER 2016

Since our conference in May we have been working for you in a number of ways:

- Our web site has been redesigned to make it easier for you to find out who we are, what we are doing for you and how to contact us. Visit www.ispanz.org.nz to have a look.
- One of the key actions that we took after feedback at the conference was to summarise your concerns with Chorus' performance and take these direct to Mark Ratcliffe. Both our June letter and Chorus' August reply were emailed to you at the time.
- In August we provided a submission on the Telecommunications (Property Access and Other Matters) Amendment Bill. Amongst other things this bill addressed property access issues for new fibre connections. We hope that our support for the bill, and our proposed amendment, will help remove some of the installation barriers that you face currently. A copy of our submission was emailed to all members at the time.
- We have agreed to become a Silver Sponsor for the next NZNOG. We believe that this is a valuable industry event that delivers benefits to members.
- In September we facilitated a confidential briefing for members from Hawaiki Cable. In the future we hope that Hawaiki will help provide a more competitive market in international connectivity for members.
- Just recently we issued a press release commenting on Chorus' extension of 1 Gbps connections across their network. We emailed this to all members as well as to major media outlets and to politicians with an interest in the subject.

If you have any observations about the above activities or the focus of work, please let us know. We are working for you and need your feedback on the relevance of what we do.

We are now starting to organise the 2017 AGM and conference. It is intended to hold this on either 10th or 17th May 2017 and we are looking at either Wellington or Auckland as venues. Please could you let us know which venue and date would suit you best? Also, if you have any suggestions on speakers or topics for discussion, please sent these in.



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