11. ELECTION: ZONE 5 NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE

| Officer responsible | Author |
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| Community Advocate | Adrian Carpinter - Community Secretary, DDI 941-5305 |

The purpose of this report is to give the Board an opportunity to vote in the election of a Zone 5 New Zealand Community Boards' Executive Committee Deputy Representative. As more than one nomination has been received by Local Government New Zealand for this position, an election is required.

This report is resubmitted because the Council Secretary has advised that the method of determining the Board's preferences for the vote was in effect a secret ballot. Section 114J of the Local Government Act 1974 provides that every question coming before a local authority shall be decided by open voting. Therefore, the Board's decision on 31 March 2003 is *ultra vires*. The relevant section of the report to the Council on the Board's meeting was to be withdrawn at the Council meeting.

The election will be conducted by postal ballot using a preferential voting system.

The three candidates for the election are:

- 1. Joe Bell, Golden Bay Community Board
- 2. Val Carter, Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board
- 3. Mike Mora, Riccarton/Wigram Community Board.

Information on each candidate was included in the Board agenda for 31 March 2003.

To vote, the Chairperson or a notified alternative from the Board must:

- 1. Mark on the voting paper the number "1" in the box next to the name of the candidate who is the Board's first preference.
- 2. Mark on the voting paper further consecutive numbers in descending order of preference in any or all of the remaining boxes next to the names of the remaining candidates.

Completed voting papers must be with the Returning Officer by Friday, 16 May 2003. The outcome will be notified as soon as possible after the election and the appointments will take effect at the Community Boards' conference in June.

Staff

Recommendation:

That the Board decide the order of preference in which it wishes to vote for the three candidates for election as Zone 5 New Zealand Community Boards' Executive Committee Deputy Representative.

Chairperson's Recommendation:

That the Board's vote for the Zone 5 New Zealand Community Boards' Executive Committee Deputy Representative be in the following order of preference:

- 1. Mike Mora.
- 2. Joe Bell.
- 3. Val Carter.