5. SOUTH CHRISTCHURCH LIBRARY, SERVICE CENTRE AND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE PROGRESS REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to update the Property and Major Projects Committee on progress with the South Christchurch Library, Service Centre and Community Learning Centre project.

REPORT PERIOD ENDING 21 MARCH 2003

PROGRESS

Approximately 90% of the structural steel frames and roof purlins have been installed. Sandblasting, re-priming and painting to the steelwork are continuing.

Timber framing to the roof gutters is 70 % complete and the first gutter has been lined with butyl rubber. Approximately half of the roof plywood has been laid.

Timber framing to the external walls is underway.

Installation of the mechanical services and fire sprinklers pipework in the roof space are continuing.

The water and telephone main supplies have been laid to the building.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES/APPROVALS REQUIRED

There are no outstanding issues or approvals being sought from this meeting.

PROGRAMME

The sandblasting and re-priming to the steelwork that was reported last month is likely to delay the project by a month, giving a revised completion date of the end of July 2003. The contractor is endeavouring to minimise this delay.

COST CONTROL

The approved budget is \$5,831,179.

The forecast total cost is \$5,671,463.

The total remaining contingency is \$159,716.

The major changes since the last report are \$6,000 for additional flashings above the windows, \$6,800 for revised gutter details to the glazed canopy and \$6,000 for revised counter joinery.

The remaining contingency will be required to cover future scope changes, commissioning costs, final account resolution, contractor's claims and consultant's fee claims.

The monthly financial report is attached.

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Recommendation: That the information be received.