6. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS - TRANSWASTE CANTERBURY LTD

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The purpose of this report is to seek agreement on the formulation of a policy for the appointment of directors to Transwaste Canterbury Ltd.

The shareholders agreement of Transwaste Canterbury Ltd provides for a board of up to eight directors, four being appointed by Canterbury Waste Services Ltd and four by the shareholder councils via the Canterbury Joint Standing Committee, as per its Constituting Agreement.

Section 275 of the new Local Government Act 2002 requires local authorities to adopt a policy on the appointment and remuneration of directors by 30 June 2003 in terms of section 57(1).

The details of section 57(1) are set out below:

"A local authority must adopt a policy that sets out an objective and transparent process for:

- (a) the identification and consideration of the skills, knowledge, and experience required of directors of a council organisation; and
- (b) the appointment of directors to a council organisation; and
- (c) the remuneration of directors of a council organisation."

A report on the above topic was recently considered by the Christchurch City Council and is attached as Appendix 1 for the information of members.

It is suggested that this should form the basis of a policy to be adopted by the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee (and hence the Canterbury Joint Standing Committee) in relation to the future appointment of directors by it to Transwaste Canterbury Ltd. (Note: This issue would not arise in normal circumstances until March 2005.)

A suggested amended draft policy is attached as Appendix 2 for the consideration of the Subcommittee.

Staff

Recommendation: For discussion.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the Subcommittee adopt the draft policy as contained in Appendix 2.

(Note: As this item is one relating to the operation of Transwaste Canterbury Ltd in terms of clauses 3(a) and 11(a) of the constituting agreement, only those councils holding shares in the joint venture company may vote on this item.)