

3. CORRESPONDENCE – REDCLIFFS RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION

The following letter has been received from Malcolm Moore, Secretary-Treasurer of the Redcliffs Residents’ Association:

The committee of the above Association formally requests that the Board agrees to arrange for up to six banners to be erected on the six power poles in the village business area, for:

1. *visual enhancement; and*
2. *drawing vehicle drivers attention to pedestrians.*

This will complement the planned traffic calming proposals accepted by our committee in consultation with Lorraine Wilmshurst on 9th July.

Both Sumner and Woolston areas are much more colourful and attractive with these improvements made by the Board through the Christchurch City Council.

With thanks

Lisa Hoffman (Promotion Coordinator) comments: In 2001/2002 there was funding allocated to maintain suburban banner sites. This funding was not in the 2002/2003 nor the 2003/2004 budget. Julie Battersby (City Promotions Coordinator) noted at the time that there was a "suggestion from the Strategy and Finance Committee chair that Community Boards fund the maintenance of banner sites from their discretionary funds. That debate has yet to happen around the annual plan debate table."

Further to a request from Cr Cox in April 2002 we did install banner brackets in Sumner and as we had funds to place banners there last financial year we did so. Unfortunately this year we do not have budget for installing or maintaining additional banner sites. The suburban banner sites are only being utilised now as I have been working to a very tight banner programme and have been stretching the life of the banners for as long as I have been able. This will not be able to continue forever and then it may be a case of the Community Boards being asked to fund banners in their wards.

Barry Cook (Traffic Engineer – Community City Street) comments: If the banners are to be installed on power poles, consent will need to be obtained from the power company that owns the poles. The effects of wind and wind loading on the poles will also need to be ascertained.

Chairperson’s

Recommendation: For discussion.