

10. 2003 ELECTORAL REVIEW

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As members will be aware, the Council has recently concluded its consideration of options for the future governance of Christchurch city, and has advertised its decisions from the review. The proposal for the Council to comprise 16 members from 8 wards, and the Mayor, to also include for 8 community boards and for the communities (wards) not to be subdivided for electoral purposes, has been advertised for comment, with submissions closing on 14 October.

Members will also recall that, at the 5 August Board meeting a preliminary submission, conveying the Board's position, was approved for forwarding to the Council Sub-committee dealing with the Electoral Review process.

Following discussion with the Board Chairman and Deputy Chairman the **attached** draft submission has been prepared for consideration by the Board.

Staff

- Recommendations:**
1. That the draft submission attached, subject to any amendment deemed necessary, be approved for forwarding to the Council by 14 October 2003.
 2. That the Board be heard in support of the submission at the proposed Hearing on 7 November.
 3. That, should the Council confirm, or not substantially amend, its proposal, then an appeal be prepared for forwarding to the Council by 20 December 2003 for later consideration by the Local Government Commission.

Chairman's

- Recommendation:** That the above recommendations be adopted.