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**PROJECTS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE
17 APRIL 1998**

**A special meeting of the Projects and Property Committee
was held on Friday 17 April 1998 at 12 noon**

PRESENT: Councillor Ron Wright (Chairman),
The Mayor,
Councillors Oscar Alpers, Carole Anderton,
Ishwar Ganda, Ian Howell, Denis O'Rourke and
Gail Sheriff.

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillors David Close, Anna Crighton and
Lesley Keast.

APOLOGY: An apology for absence was received and accepted
from Councillor Alister James.

The Mayor and Councillor Ganda arrived at 12.20
pm and 12.30 pm respectively, and were present for
clauses 4 and 5 only.

Councillor O'Rourke retired at 1 pm and was
present for all clauses with the exception of
clause 5.

ABSENT: Councillor Morgan Fahey.

The Committee reports that:

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

**1. CENTENNIAL POOL REDEVELOPMENT:
WIDTH OF TRAINING POOL**

RR 7520

Officer responsible Major Projects Co-ordinator	Author Mark Noonan
Corporate Plan Output: Corporate Plan, Volume 2, Capital Output 8.4.61	

The purpose of this report is to advise members of the Council of a request
received to increase the width of the training pool.

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INTRODUCTION

The Options Report for Centennial Pool adopted at the Council Meeting held on 4 June 1997 and tenders which closed on 14 April included a six lane 25 metre training pool.

A letter dated 8 April 1998 has been received from Mr J Gillard requesting that the Council consider increasing the width of the training pool from six lanes to eight lanes before accepting the tender for the construction of the pool.

COST ESTIMATE

Rider Hunt Christchurch Ltd, the Quantity Surveyor/Cost Consultant for the project, have advised that the estimated cost for the two additional lanes including redocumentation costs would be \$550,000.

This additional cost includes for increasing the width of the building for its total length to retain the architectural integrity of the building as recommended by Architecture Warren and Mahoney Ltd.

The tenders received for Centennial Pool are slightly within budget but the increase from six to eight lanes could not be accommodated within the current budget ie **additional budget funding would have to be provided by the Council.**

PROGRAMME

Architecture Warren & Mahoney Ltd have advised that the redocumentation required would delay the project by about three months.

LEISURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES UNIT'S COMMENTS

Mr Peter Walls, Senior Facilities Adviser for the Leisure and Community Services Unit, has advised that eight lanes would be desirable but the project budget cannot accommodate this.

He considers that having additional lanes would assist with demand during the peak periods, but six lanes is sufficient to cope with demand during most periods.

Mr Walls also advises that between 60-70% of the current clientele use the pools for recreation rather than for fitness or lap swimming.

Since the leisure pool rather than the training pool will provide the majority of income received for the pool complex, increasing the number of lanes would not have a major impact on revenue generated.

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Increasing the width of the building would also dramatically reduce the available area for the Park which would have an adverse effect on its amenity value.

Recommendation: That the training pool remain as a six-lane 25 metre pool.

**PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS
TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE**

2. SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

The Chairman referred to the following supplementary reports which had been tabled at the meeting:

- Report by Major Projects Co-ordinator on Centennial Pool Tenders.
- Report by Major Projects Co-ordinator on a request made by Mr Jonathan Gillard for an increase in the width of the training pool at Centennial Pool.
- Report by Property Services Officer on the options for the future of a surplus roading property at 140 Springs Road.

The Chairman advised that the reports had not been circulated with the agenda because they were not available at that time, but that it was essential that all three reports be dealt with at the present meeting rather than being deferred to a subsequent meeting.

It was **resolved** that the reports be received and considered at the present meeting.

3. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

The Committee **resolved** that the draft resolution to exclude the public set out on page 2 of the agenda be adopted.

CONSIDERED THIS 22ND DAY OF APRIL 1998

MAYOR