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**RECOVERED MATERIALS SPECIAL COMMITTEE
11 MARCH 1998**

**A meeting of the Recovered Materials Special Committee
was held on Wednesday 11 March 1998 at 1.30 pm**

PRESENT: Councillor Denis O'Rourke (Chairman),
Councillor Ian Howell,
Messrs Dixon McIvor, Mark Prain
and Peter Townsend.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted
from Councillor David Close, Councillor Garry
Moore and Messrs Michael Hannah and Chris
Pickrill.

The Committee reports that:

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. TYRE IMPORTS: CUSTOMS AND MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

The Committee considered a report prepared by the RMF Business Development Manager, which provided background information covering customs, legislation and charging for dumping (copy attached).

The Committee noted that the City Services Committee had considered a report on this matter at its meeting on 10 March 1998 (reported under City Services Committee in this agenda) and had requested a report on the viability of a tyre shredder.

Councillors will recall the resolution adopted at the Council meeting of 15 February 1998:

“That the Council commission a Customs consultant to investigate the matter of second-hand tyre importation, and thereafter use that information for a joint approach from the Council and the Recovered Materials Foundation to the appropriate authorities.”

At its meeting on 11 March 1998 the RMF Board had adopted the recommendation below, which was endorsed by the Special Committee.

Recommendation: That an approach be made to Mike Moore MP to lobby central Government for action on the issue of the importation of second-hand tyres.

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PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

2. FINANCIAL REPORT

A financial report for the Recovered Materials Foundation, covering the period 30 January-27 February 1998, as adopted by the Recovered Materials Foundation Board at its meeting on 11 March 1998, was considered. The information was **received**.

**3. REPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
RECOVERED MATERIALS FOUNDATION**

The Committee **received** a report from the CEO of the Recovered Materials Foundation (Mr Piet Beukman) which covered:

- RMF Administration
- RMF Establishment
- GPS Establishment
- RMF Core Task Execution
- CEO Contract Status Summary
- Next Steps

4. PROCESSING SITE, PHASE 2

The Committee **received** this report prepared by the RMF Technology and Projects Manager and the CEO, which provided an update on the Parkhouse Road site expansion.

It was noted that the RMF Board had resolved:

1. That, subject to final budget approval, the commencement of Phase 2 of the RMF's site development be approved.
2. That a briefing of City Design to prepare a preliminary design for Phase 2, be approved.

**5. POLICY REGARDING PLACEMENT OF MATERIALS,
PROJECTS AND/OR SUPPORT**

The Committee noted that, on the instructions of the RMF Board, a policy had been defined to set criteria by which the RMF will allocate priorities towards actions and/or the evaluation of potential projects. It was noted that these criteria may also be applied in a subjective manner in certain cases.

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The Board had resolved at its meeting earlier in the day that the word “scarce” be deleted from 3(a), and that both clauses (a) and (b) be combined, with a total weighting of 40%. The information was **received**.

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6. REUSABLE GLASS BOTTLES: SCBE

The Committee considered a report which provided an update on the progress being made in local glass reuse. The information was **received**.

7. RMF: NEW ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Information submitted to the Committee covering new contact details for the RMF, effective from 3 April 1998, was **received**.

8. GLASS COLLECTION AND LIQUOR LICENSING

The Committee considered a memorandum from the Waste Manager of the Christchurch City Council which provided an update on the situation regarding glass collection from licensed premises. It was considered appropriate at this time for the Council to lend moral support rather than take further specific action, and it was noted it was not proposed to report further on this matter to the City Services Committee at this time.

The possibility of introducing an environmental seal of approval, and associated free publicity for those liquor suppliers who are actively assisting with glass recycling was discussed, and will be investigated further.

The Committee considered this matter may well be a topic for the proposed packaging conference mooted for next year and noted the recommendation of the RMF:

1. That the RMF in conjunction with the Waste Management Unit will investigate and propose to the Council, in due course, a national conference on packaging and recycling during 1999.
2. That the RMF will consider the possibility of the conference becoming an international conference through communication with the Clean Washington Center and Canterbury University via the RMF Chief Executive Officer.

The meeting concluded at 2.45 pm

CONSIDERED THIS 25TH DAY OF MARCH 1998

MAYOR