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REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

**1. FIXING DATE AND TIME OF
FIRST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AND
APPROVAL OF 1998/99 MEETINGS SCHEDULES**

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1. Section 114D of the Local Government Act requires that at the first meeting following the triennial general election the Council must fix the date and time of the first ordinary meeting of the authority and adopt a schedule of ordinary meetings.
2. Attached are proposed schedules of meetings for the remainder of 1998 and for the 1999 calendar year. The first ordinary meeting of the Council has been set down for Thursday 14 December 1998 at 2.00 pm.
3. It will be noted that the schedules propose Thursday Council meetings as from December 1998. The reason for this is that the changed format for Council agendas adopted earlier in the year has created administrative difficulties owing to the need to bring forward the agenda closing time. A Thursday Council meeting would overcome this problem as agendas could be photocopied over the weekend and delivered to Councillors on Monday morning. It should also result in a reduction in the number of separately circulated reports.

Recommendation

(Draft Resolution):

That pursuant to section 114D(4)(d) of the Local Government Act 1974 the date and time of the first ordinary meeting of the Christchurch City Council be fixed for Thursday 14 December 1998 at 2.00 pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, and that the meeting schedules for 1998 and 1999 be adopted as per Appendices A and B.

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CITY MANAGER

30 October 1998