

## **5. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

### **(a) CHRISTCHURCH WINTER CARNIVAL**

Ms Janine Morrell and Mr Andrew O'Loughlin of the Christchurch Winter Carnival Trust Board presented the programme for the 1999 Montana Christchurch Winter Carnival. The focal point of this year's carnival will be in Victoria Square which will be transformed into a snow park. The snow park will be the base for a range of activities that will appeal to a wide cross-section of the community.

### **(b) THOMSON PARK - REMOVAL OF CONIFER TREES**

Ms Chrissie Williams, Chairperson, Burwood/Pegasus Community Board, outlined the Board's stance on the above proposal, the advantages and disadvantages of the tree replacement plan together with her concerns about the timing of the Board's input into the consultation process. It was submitted that it would have been more appropriate to seek the Board's views after, rather than before, the local community had been consulted.

Ms Williams also suggested that implementation of the landscape plan be staged to meet some of the concerns raised by residents.

Ms Sarah Beaven and Mr Craig Singleton addressed the Committee on behalf of the North New Brighton residents concerned about the removal of the trees and sought a referral of the decision to enable further consultation to take place with the local community on this issue. The deputation advised that many local residents were unaware of the proposal and had therefore not had the opportunity to comment on it.