

4. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT OF 20 JULY 1999 MEETING

The Board received a report on the Committee meeting held on 20 July 1999. Matters considered included the following:

4.1 Ferrier Park Pine Tree

The Committee had been tasked with addressing the concerns of residents, and had sought comment from the residents and Council officers. The Area Parks Officer, Anne Cosson presented the results of a community survey to the meeting. It was generally acknowledged that as much information was to hand, by way of reports, submission etc to allow the Committee to make a recommendation to the Board who in turn would refer it to the Council's Parks and Recreation Committee for a decision.

Helen Broughton, who was in favour of the tree being removed, cited the following reasons for its removal:

- Potential danger to residents
- Shading issues
- Request from local residents for its removal.

When the Committee's recommendation, "That the sole pine tree in Ferrier Park be retained and that this be referred to the Council's Parks and Recreation Committee for a decision." was put to the Board meeting, it was declared carried on division No. 1 by 5 votes to 3, the voting being as follows:

For (5): Neville Bennett, David Buist, Mike Mora, Bob Shearing,
and Alison Wilkie.

Against (3): Helen Broughton, Mary Corbett and Ishwar Ganda.

4.2 Streetscape Sites

It was reported that suitable Hei Hei sites were being investigated.

4.3 Private Open Pits – Controls and Compliance

The Canterbury Regional Council was to be advised that an on-site inspection had noted that smoke was continuing to emit from points along the Pound Road landfill face.

It was **agreed** that Alison Wilkie and Mike Mora represent the Board at the joint Canterbury Regional Council/Christchurch City Council committee meeting to consider Pound Road landfill site issues. It was noted that the Canterbury Regional Council had yet to respond to various matters raised by way of Board resolution on the closing of pits which currently operate without resource consent.

4.4 Waterways and Wetlands Asset Management Strategy 1999

The committee was very supportive of this strategy, and suggested a further presentation be made to include Board members, residents and ecological groups.

4.5 Deans Avenue Precinct Society – Submission on Streetscapes

The Community Advocate referred to a fax received from Mr Ford of the Deans Avenue Precinct Society regarding 4 Brockworth Place. The area under consideration was partly privately owned and partly owned by the Council. Council inspectors were of the view it would be appropriate to leave things as they stand. The Board meeting agreed that the streetscape issue be considered by the Environment Committee.

It was **decided:**

1. That the information be received.
2. That it be recommended to the Council's Parks and Recreation Committee that the sole pine tree in Ferrier Park be retained.
3. That a seminar be held on the Waterways and Wetland Asset Management Strategy.