10. DUAL MEMBERSHIP OF COMMUNITY BOARDS AND TERRITORIAL AUTHORITIES

RR 10365

The Board considered a report outlining the principles of a proposed Private Member's Bill which would provide that a person cannot be both a councillor and an elected community board member, and that where a person who stands for both positions is elected to both, that person is deemed to have been elected as a councillor.

The Board **received** the information and **decided**:

- 1. To advise the Strategy and Resources Committee that it opposes the proposed Bill for the following reasons:
 - (a) It is a person's democratic right to stand for and be elected to both bodies.
 - (b) Not all Councillors can be assured of an appointment to a community board.
- 2. To request the Strategy and Resources Committee to form a working party (comprising representatives from all of Christchurch's community boards, including board members and city council members) to consider the question of the function of community boards and the role of its members.