

**12. GLASS CARPETS - BUDGET PROVISION FOR  
CHRISTCHURCH CONVENTION CENTRE**

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The Committee **received** a proposal from the Chief Executive Officer, Recovered Materials Foundation, for the use of a new flooring product being promoted by the RMF. The RMF is promoting a flooring product based on recycled glass. The glass particles are set in a resin which results in the flooring being very durable. Examples of the flooring may be seen at the café Espresso 124 and at the Polytechnic library.

The RMF has held discussions with NCC Ltd and Council staff about the possibility of the product being used on the conference hall floors at the Convention Centre. The report from Graeme King, CEO of the RMF, advised that there is a \$60,000 provision for replacement flooring in the budget for the Convention Centre. If the glass carpet product is to be used a further \$170,000 will be required for the new carpet/glass carpet combination. The Committee has requested that a provision of \$170,000 be provided in the pink pages of the 2000/01 budget. It will be recommended to NCC Ltd that a trial area of the glass carpet be laid in a storage area at the Convention Centre to assess its durability.