7. PURCHASE OF RESERVE – CREAMERY STREAM

The Board was in receipt of a report from the Property Services Manager seeking Board support for a proposal to acquire a parcel of land to enhance and protect Creamery Stream.

The site is a spring-fed stream and is an important tributory to Nottingham Stream, which flows into the Halswell River.

The Waterways and Wetlands Natural Asset Management Strategy 1999 identifies this waterway as an important green corridor for the catchment area. The corridor will provide habitat for wildlife, and opportunities for cycleways and walkways.

The Property Unit had negotiated property purchase, to be funded from the Water Services Unit's Waterway and Enhancement Fund.

The Board **decided** to support the proposed purchase and that its support be reported to the Parks and Recreation Committee for that Committee's recommendation to the Council.