20. INNER CITY RECYCLING OPTIONS

The Waste Manager submitted a report on the recent study undertaken to determine the future recycling options for the inner city area. The key findings of the survey were that 82% of participants are not prepared to pay for the collection of recyclables, and 87% of participants believe the collection of recyclables should be a service facilitated by the Council. The Committee has requested that an inner city waste options working group be established with representatives from all interested parties, to report quarterly to the City Services Committee on ways to improve waste management options in the inner city. The strategy for education and communication of solid waste issues, including inner city recycling, will be presented to the July 1999 meeting of the City Services Committee. The strategy will also address whether increased funding and other resources are required to help achieve the goal of the 1998 waste management plan for solid and hazardous waste.