

4. SMOKE ALARM PROJECT A YEAR ON

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The Committee considered a report from Ellen Loader, Canterbury Development Corporation, on the progress on the “Smoke Alarm Project’ initiated by the previous Mayor, Vicki Buck.

The report detailed progress made to date on installing 8,640 smoke alarms in 4,400 homes and provided information on the training provided under the scheme. It indicated that it was the current intention to wind up the project in mid-December 1999. It was noted that funding had been provided in the 1999/00 financial year to the extent of \$80,000, but that carry forward of over-expenditure would decrease the current year’s funding to approximately \$48,000 only.

The Committee **decided:**

1. That the information be received.
2. That the Chairmen of the Community Services and Strategy and Resources Committees discuss with the Canterbury Development Corporation the issue of funding for the 1999/2000 year.
3. That a subcommittee consisting of Councillors Erin Baker, Barry Corbett and Barbara Stewart work with the Canterbury Development Corporation to trial a publicity campaign via schools on smoke alarm installation and the need for battery replacement.
 1. That publicity be given in a future issue of City Scene on the necessity to check and replace batteries in smoke alarms.