



1. DEPUTATIONS

Inner Space Probe for the New Millennium

The Wizard of Christchurch addressed the Committee on his proposal for the construction of an inner space probe in the city.

He advised that the probe is an inter-active, highly imaginative, conceptual creation designed to bring attention to an alternative model of the physical universe which he believed would have huge popular appeal.

He commented that:

1. The sculpture involved the viewers ascending a ramp to the top of the sphere where, having entered it, they would walk around a balcony, with the earth around them to view, with the new configuration of the sun, the planets and the galaxies in the centre.
2. The concept communicated through the structure will force the viewers to reconsider their basic intellectual assumptions concerning the shape of their universe.
3. The dramatic shape of the tripod surmounted by a sphere conjures up images of a space vehicle or an alien visitor, which will prove immensely popular to Christchurch residents and overseas tourists.

The Committee **decided** to seek a preliminary structural engineering report on the feasibility of the inner space probe, together with an estimate of its cost of construction.