4. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT OF 21 NOVEMBER 2000

The Board was in receipt of the report of the Environmental Committee meeting of 21 November 2000.

1. STOCK TRUCK EFFLUENT UPDATE

On behalf of the National Stock Effluent Working Group, Mr Robin Odams (Regional Manager, Transit NZ) was in attendance.

Mr Odams outlined the current position in relation to stock effluent control, as follows:

- Transfund has confirmed a funding formula with territorial authorities for "in transit" sites.
- There will be 14 South Island sites; within the Canterbury region they will be sited at Ashburton, Amberley, Waddington and Kaikoura, as well as at the "end points".
- The sites were programmed for completion by June 2002.
- The success of the sites would be dependent upon other (industry/rural) stakeholders.
- A new code of practice had been developed.
- Regulations and enforcement of trucks having holding tanks would be by legislation subsequent to the sites becoming operational.
- Four sites were currently installed in Otago, and these were being monitored.
- Road Transport Association members had a high percentage of tank compliance already.
- There was a need for stakeholder eduction to ensure clean streets within city boundaries.

Members considered that community representation on advisory boards was desirable.

Robin was thanked for his attendance.

2. TEMPLETON DOMAIN SKATEBOARD AREA, PROPOSED UPGRADING

The Committee was in receipt of a report from the Area Parks Officer (Anne Cosson) and Community Recreation Adviser (Jane Mulholland) on the results of a community survey concerning the proposed upgrading of the skateboard area on Templeton Domain.

The Committee had visited the site recently. Pamphlets on the proposal were distributed to all Templeton residents, with 149 replies.

From the survey, it appeared that the main uses of the domain were:

- Walking
- Play equipment
- Skateboard bowl
- Sports
- Picnics

There was strong support to extend the skatebowl and the re-establishment of the community tennis court.



Ideas for improvements to the domain included:

- More seats and picnic tables
- Family BBQ area
- Half-basketball court
- More play equipment (for pre-schoolers).

Various youth problems were also identified.

A recommendation that the main gates be locked during the week and opened only on the weekends for a limited time was not supported by the Committee.

Bob Shearing, on behalf of the Residents Association, disputed some of the outcomes of the survey and decided to abstain from voting on this issue.

3. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES, PROGRESS REPORT

A full schedule of issues considered by the Committee this year was presented for information. This will be regularly updated.

4. PROJECT ALLOCATIONS 2000/01

Taking into account the recommendations made in respect of the Templeton Skateboard/Domain, the balance of funds available are:

•	Reserves and Green Open Spaces Development	\$9,000
•	Community Environment Fund	\$10,000

5. RESOURCE CONSENT ENFORCEMENT

It was **agreed** to acknowledge the enforcement work currently being carried out by staff on the vehicle wrecking sites in Halswell Junction Road.

6. ONGOING ISSUES

- Cycleway Networks
- Air Quality Issues
- Private Pit Compliance
- Tree planting in streets (policy and new sites).
- Street seats.

7. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 13 December 2000, presentation on the potential variation to the City Plan on flooding issues (resident groups have been invited).

The Board **decided** in respect of the Templeton Domain skateboard project:

1. That the tennis court area be reinstated as a tennis court. Repairs be made to the fence and a new net be put in place.

- 2. That the skateboard bowl be extended as shown in plan and that the new skate area be designed for youths, and that the existing pathway be realigned away from the extended skateboard bowl.
- 3. To allocate \$5,000 (from the Community Environment Fund) for the work.
- 4. To allocate \$9,000 (funded equally from the Community Environment Fund and the Board's Discretionary Fund) towards new play equipment.
- 5. That the Parks Unit install a drinking fountain, seats, picnic tables.
- 6. That discussions be held with the residents' group concerning lighting of the pathway and that they be controlled by timers.
- 7. That the Board write to the Templeton Residents' Association suggesting that honorary park wardens be appointed to administer the park.
- 8. That the Templeton Residents' Association also be advised of the very encouraging community response to the recent survey.
- 9. That a plaque be erected to acknowledge the financial contribution made by the Community Board.