8. PURCHASE OF LAND FOR RICCARTON WATER SUPPLY PUMP STATION

The Community Board received a report from the Property Manager relating to the purchase of the property at 61 Picton Avenue to be developed as a utility reserve (water supply pump station) in conjunction with adjoining land purchased for reserve purposes.

The Council's water supply pump stations at Mandeville and Clarence Streets are identified in the Capital Works Programme for replacement during the 2000/.2001 and 2001/2002 years. Both stations comprise brick structures with concrete suction tanks constructed in the 1950s. Redevelopment or a major upgrading at either site is not possible because of site constraints.

The most cost-effective solution in the long term is to obtain a new site for a station with sufficient capacity to meet the long-term demand for the area served by both existing stations.

The Board **received** the information and endorsed the purchase of the property.