8. SYMES DRAIN ENHANCEMENT

The Board considered a report outlining the enhancement possibilities for Symes drain through the privately owned Garrick Park, in the grounds of the Woolston Workingmen's Club. Although privately constructed, responsibility for this drain was taken over by the Christchurch Drainage Board in 1989. The report advised that legal protection of an esplanade strip to protect the drain would be required before the Council could undertake improvement works.

The Board decided:

- 1. To support the enhancement of Symes drain in Garrick Park, subject to satisfactory legal protection for the Council's interests being sought by way of a written agreement with the Woolston Workingmen's Club and clarification of the planting to be undertaken.
- 2. To indicate a willingness to compromise on the normal level of slope into the drain bed in order to assist the Club to meet its requirements for the provision of sports fields.