

8. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

(a) MR NIGEL MAYSON: UNDERGROUNDING OF SERVICES - TUI STREET, FENDALTON

Mr Mayson spoke on behalf of property owners in Tui Street regarding the undergrounding of services on the basis of a 50% contribution towards the cost being provided by residents.

A copy of a written submission by Mr Mayson had been separately circulated to members of the Committee and was spoken to by Mr Mayson. He confirmed that agreement had been obtained from residents to meet 50% of the estimated cost of undergrounding plus a 10% allowance for contingency on the basis of a contribution of up to \$2,000 per property.

The opportunity was taken to inform Mr Mayson of the policy regarding undergrounding adopted by the Council in November 2000 and for Councillors to ask further questions of Mr Mayson.

Mr Mayson confirmed that in his view the proposal represented an opportunity for the Council to proceed with undergrounding at a significantly reduced cost and that given that their initial approaches and fundraising had predated the November 2000 policy it should be considered as a one-off case.

He confirmed that he wished to seek the support of the Committee to the submission which they were to make to the Annual Plan Working Party on the basis that this would be a separate item outside existing policy.

The Committee **decided**:

1. To support to the Annual Plan Working Party the proposal that undergrounding of Tui Street be undertaken between Weka Street and Fendalton Road on the basis of a 50% cost contribution by residents at an estimated total cost of \$90,000.
2. That a substitution item for the cost of this be identified from the undergrounding budget from within the same ward.

(Councillor Denis O'Rourke requested that his vote against the above motion be recorded.)