



## 1. SCHOOL ENERGY ACTION PROGRAMME

The Project Manager, Helene Mautner was present to address the Board on this programme.

On Energy has approached the Christchurch City Council with an offer to fund Energy Action, a primary and intermediate school education programme developed by Negawatt Resources Ltd, an independent Wellington Based energy efficiency company. The programme is offered at no cost to schools.

The programme is supported by the Christchurch City Council City Water and Waste Unit through the Target Zero Programme. The Energy Action Programme fits in well with Christchurch City Council environmental policies which promote Christchurch as an 'efficient city that recognises the benefits of resource cycling and energy conservation'. The Christchurch City Council Energy Use policies state:

- To promote increased public awareness of the need for energy efficiency
- To encourage the development and use of renewable energy sources
- To promote energy efficiency through urban consolidation and waste minimisation
- To encourage energy efficiency in transportation
- To minimise energy use through improve building design.

The principal objectives of the programme are:

- Raise awareness of energy and energy efficiency in schools and transfer this knowledge into homes and communities.
- Reduce energy costs in schools.
- Improve the quality of classroom and school environments.
- Raise awareness and profile of sponsors in schools and the community.
- Facilitate schools through the stages of the Energy Action Facilitation Cycle.
- Establish the school as the demonstration model within their community.

The programmes are being offered in 10 schools within the Board area.

In thanking Helene for her presentation, members expressed their support for the programme.