

10. COASTAL PARKS STRATEGY 2000-2010

A report from the Regional Parks Manager, the Planner and a consultant presented a summary of submissions to the Coastal Parks Strategy 2000-2010 and made recommendations for amendments to that strategy. The Board **decided** to recommend to the Parks and Recreation Committee:

1. That the vision statement shown in the Coastal Strategy Document be adopted as the thrust of coastal development over the next ten years, and that the draft ten-year programme, set out in the Coastal Parks Strategy document be adopted, dependent on budget allocation.
2. That a comprehensive planting programme be adopted, which includes: a backbone of native plantings along the coast as ecological enhancement; a number of shade, feature tree and amenity plantings for users and scenic enhancement, using a mix of native and exotic species where appropriate; and a good weed and pest control programme to protect new plants and establish bird and invertebrate communities, supported by planting.
3. That sand management policies be retained. This includes recontouring, planting (using a mix of exotic and native species) and fencing.
4. That quality in project planning and development be emphasised and that incomplete projects be completed, as a priority over starting new projects; and that projects be prioritised according to submissions received and according to budget constraints.
5. That a better rubbish collection system be found.
6. That an increased funding allocation of \$1 million be sought from Council over the ten year period of the strategy, 2000-2010.
7. That a report be requested on the artificial reef proposal and the cost of a feasibility study for New Brighton.
8. That the Animal Control Unit be informed of submissions received, and be requested to find a better enforcement procedure.