5. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT OF 13 FEBRUARY 2001

The Board was in receipt of the report of the Environmental Committee meeting of 13 February 2001.

5.1 DR SUZANNE DOIG HERITAGE WRITER/RESEARCHER

Suzanne has been employed by the Community Board through the Taskforce Green work scheme, to undertake the compiling of a heritage register in the Riccarton/Wigram community.

A short presentation was given; Suzanne will be reporting to this Committee regularly.

5.2 PICTON AVENUE RESERVE

Following Council acquisition of residential properties adjoining this reserve, the Area Parks Officer has initiated an extensive community consultation process. This area of Riccarton has been identified as lacking in green open spaces.

Residents were asked to comment on various issues:

- future name of the reserve
- play equipment needs
- other possible park "furniture".

The new reserve lends itself to being an excellent site to display heritage information on the area; feedback and contributions were very positive. The final plans should be finalised by June 2001, with landscape work commencing in the new financial year.

The Board **decided** to recommend to the Parks and Recreation Committee that the new reserve be named "Picton Avenue Reserve".

Heritage information signs would also be provided.

5.3 INSPECTION TOUR

A tour of a local community trust worm farm and various waterway and wetland sites has been arranged for Tuesday 20 March 2001.

5.4 **PROJECT FUNDS 2001/02**

The Committee decided to seek a total of \$50,000 Project Funds to enable it to contribute to projects which fall within the responsibility of this Committee.

The Board **received** the report.

