

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT 9AM ON MONDAY 8 APRIL 2002**

PRESENT: The Mayor, Garry Moore (Chairperson).
Councillors Oscar Alpers, Carole Anderton, Paddy Austin, Erin Baker, Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Graham Condon, Barry Corbett, David Cox, Anna Crighton, Carole Evans, Megan Evans, Ishwar Ganda, Pat Harrow, Alister James, Lesley Keast, Denis O'Rourke, Gail Sheriff, Barbara Stewart, Ingrid Stonhill, Sue Wells, Chrissie Williams, Norm Withers and Ron Wright.

APOLOGIES: Nil.

1. SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The Mayor referred to the following items which had been separately circulated after the main agenda had been sent out:

- Supplementary report by the Chair of the Annual Plan Subcommittee, covering an amendment to the draft Annual Plan, and the QEII Park upgrade.
- Report of the Bus Xchange Subcommittee on increased provision for operation of Bus Xchange.

The Mayor advised that these items had not been sent out with the agenda because in both cases the required information was not available at that time, but that it was essential that both items be dealt with at the present Council meeting, rather than being deferred to a subsequent meeting.

It was **resolved** that both items be received and considered at the present meeting.

**2. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT FINANCIAL PLAN AND PROGRAMME:
2003 EDITION**

Councillor James read the following statement:

"Following the tradition of David Close, I welcome the opportunity to comment on the draft plan submitted to the Council and the public. In preparing this speech, I have had regard to the editorial published in The Press last Friday 5 April, and will offer some rebuttal of that editorial.

Firstly, I thank the members of the Annual Plan Subcommittee for their consideration of the draft plan and programmes. All members made a valuable contribution, and at a time when there was both media and public criticism of the conduct of elected members at meetings, I can report that the conduct of all members of the APSC was exemplary and there were no issues giving rise to points of order. I am particularly grateful to the assistance and efforts of all staff involved in the annual plan process.

I appreciate that many of our ratepayers and residents will be troubled by the projected rate increases over the next three years. Although favourable comparisons can be made as to rating levels in other metropolitan cities and as to the services provided, this is cold comfort to those on fixed and low incomes in particular, who will also face rising costs of electricity, fuel and other essentials. I also acknowledge that Christchurch City has a proportionately higher number of residents on low incomes.

As elected members, we need to improve and maintain fiscal discipline, to identify poor quality expenditure, identify potential efficiencies and better scrutinise new capital and operating initiatives, as well as the ongoing review of all expenditure.

Last November, the Council established a Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee chaired by the Mayor and comprising Councillors Baker, Cox, Ganda, Sheriff, Stonhill, Wells, Wright and myself. This represents a good cross section of elected members, skills and experience. A programme of reviewing Council operations including solid waste, wastewater, leisure unit, city streets, parks and waterways, art gallery as well as the costs of public accountability is planned. I see this ongoing review to be important in identifying further cost savings, additional to the role of our Standing Committees.

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Last Friday's Press editorial promoted the suggestion of an outside audit of the sort initiated in Auckland by Mayor John Banks, although not necessarily calling on Sir William Birch for the task but none the less someone with similar independence and experience of Government budgeting who would be ruthlessly objective in cutting expenditure. I have read with considerable interest, the review of Auckland City Council Expenditure by William Birch Consulting Limited. The review was undertaken having regard to a background of significant rate increases (24.7% over recent years), significant rate projections and increasing debt levels (peaking at \$367m 2004/05). The recommendations identify areas of operation which it suggests that the Auckland City Council should itself review and its review commenced on a philosophical approach that would find little favour amongst many elected members and residents, in identifying core and regulatory functions as against outputs that should be provided by the private sector or central government. The following outcomes of the review help explain that approach:

- Review the operations of Community Boards to achieve cost savings and including the reduction of funding allocated to Community Boards for local projects.
- Review the funding of Arts, Culture and Recreation. Suggested reduction \$883,000 each year. These activities being seen as private rather than public good.
- Reduce overall free events such as Music in the Park by 20%.
- Reduce expenditure of sponsored events such as Rally NZ, Volvo Ocean Race and ASB/Heineken Tennis Open by 33%.
- Review operations of regional attractions such as Art Gallery and Zoo by implementing/increasing user charges and private sponsorship.
- Review City Planning and City Environment operations to provide for more non rate revenue, ie user charges.
- Reduce the number of and funding of Citizen Advice Bureaux.
- Discontinue the inorganic waste collection and the organic waste coupon scheme.
- Full cost recovery of Mainstreet programme.
- Review management of community centres, reduce costs and consider the sale of some centres.
- Review expenditure of community development and advice, this not being seen as a function of local government.
- Review rates remission policy.
- Remove the rates rebate for waste and water charges.
- Stop mowing grass berms.
- Return to cheaper chemical rather than continue non-chemical spraying of vegetation.
- Maximise revenue from on street and off street parking.
- Increase pensioner housing rentals to market rentals. This to reduce the impact on rates.
- Not enter into new tenancies pending the sale of pensioner housing properties to the private sector (expected to realise \$81.8m).
- Sell off street parking facilities (expected to realise \$43.3m).
- Sell off the shares in the Auckland International Airport Limited (share value \$421m).
- Metrowater be reformed as a company and not operate as a charity.

Some of the recommendations are being implemented, resulting in a projected rate increase of 1.6% and with new capital initiatives such as Britomart being funded from asset sales. There is nothing clever or novel about the Birch review. A competent Mayor and team of Councillors would have been capable of identifying the same areas of review, levels of service and identifying core functions where there is sufficient political resolve. I will continue to support the provision of affordable elderly persons and social housing, community development, events and festivals, cultural facilities, libraries and recreational facilities and do not require an expensive set of consultants who have no public mandate to tell me otherwise. Similarly, I do not believe that the residents of Christchurch would tolerate the sale of our city assets, least of all our housing units. However, while rejecting the call for outside advice, I accept that we need to be thorough in our review of operational and proposed capital expenditure to ensure our operations are efficient and effective. I expect all elected members to meet this challenge in this term of Council, in particular those colleagues who are members of the Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee.

I would like the Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee to work with each of the Standing Committees and Community Boards to identify cost reductions and priority setting of expenditure and to report to this Council during the next six months. This is in addition to its current programme of the review of operational budgets.

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The Press editorial has as its headline, "Pay more, get less". This complements its front page headline, "Ratepayers in line for double blow". Page 4 of the draft financial plan and programme identifies new initiatives. Other initiatives previously budgeted appear elsewhere in the plan. Quite apart from business as usual, this is a plan that provides for several new initiatives that continue the steady progress that makes Christchurch a more attractive place for residents and visitors.

While I acknowledge the statement, Pay more, it is also get more not get less.

There are several contentious items which I am sure will generate many submissions to the Annual Plan process. These include the elimination of rubbish bags, funding towards the marina at Magazine Bay, swimming pool charges, on street parking charges and one hour free off street parking. I believe we have a robust and honest approach to the consideration of the Annual Plan and I am keen to promote public participation in this process and encourage submissions from all sectors of our community.

I am aware of an amendment which Councillor Williams will move and which I support as do other colleagues, whereby it will be proposed that 26 bags be issued from 2004 in addition to the review of the household collection of refuse and the development of a comprehensive waste minimisation strategy. Recently, the Government released the New Zealand Waste Strategy which provides targets, guidelines and economic incentives to reduce waste and to change wasteful behaviour. This Council has previously been criticised for faltering on the target of zero waste to landfill. Solid waste and waste minimisation will continue to consume much of our attention in the years ahead as we seek to meet the challenge of reducing the waste stream and bear our greater share of the costs of the Kate Valley Landfill.

This year's Annual Plan will be the first to incorporate triple bottom line reporting, with environmental, social and economic performance indicators. Officers are to be congratulated for developing this initiative with the support of elected members and ensuring that Christchurch is at the forefront of sustainable development. I believe that the Christchurch City Council is well placed to meet the challenges that will arise from the Local Government Bill to be enacted, including the provision of long term Community Plans and the sustainable economic, social, cultural and environmental development of Our City. It will be a particular challenge to ensure that we can do so in a cost effective manner. Who knows, we could even offer our services as consultants to the Auckland City Council."

Councillor James then moved "That the recommendations of the Strategy and Finance Annual Plan Subcommittee be adopted". The motion was seconded by Councillor Stewart.

CAPITAL ENDOWMENT FUND INCOME ALLOCATION (CLAUSE 8)

Councillor O'Rourke moved by way of amendment "That the Museum building development grant be reduced to \$600,000 pa for the three years 2004/05 to 2006/07 inclusive". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

The recommendation made by the Subcommittee was then adopted, subject to the words "for unspecified community projects" being inserted after "amounts" in recommendation 4, and a notation being included in the draft plan indicating that the Council will review the projections when the actual earnings of the fund are known.

2002/03 MAJOR GRANTS PROGRAMME (CLAUSE 11)

Councillor O'Rourke moved by way of amendment "That the major grants programme be held at the 2002/03 level for the ensuing three years". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Ganda and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

(Note: Councillor Anderton recorded her vote against the adoption of this amendment.)

Councillor Wells moved by way of further amendment "That provision be made for a grant of \$15,000 in 2002/03 to the Home and Family Society, and that the provision for a grant of \$15,000 for the Restorative Justice Service be deleted". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Withers and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

It was further **resolved** that recommendation 2 be amended to provide:

"That the funding in the grants budget for the Nga Hau E Wha National Marae be confirmed and applied towards the payment of the manager's salary, subject to the retention of the current manager."

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The four recommendations contained in clause 11 were then adopted, subject to the incorporation of the foregoing amendments.

(Note: Councillors abstained from the discussion and voting on the Subcommittee's report as follows:

Councillor Condon - Parafed Canterbury
Councillor Corbett - Christchurch City Mission
Councillor Austin - The Champion Centre (Christchurch Early Intervention Trust)
Councillor Harrow - Science Alive)

(10.45am Councillor Austin retired)

LYTTELTON MARINA (RENAMED AS "PUBLIC BOATING FACILITIES AND BREAKWATER IN LYTTELTON") (CLAUSE 13)

Councillor Buck moved by way of amendment "*That, prior to any money being committed to this project, a substantive report be prepared and considered by the full Council, such report to include and identify priorities and the costs of these as well as ongoing maintenance costs of these priorities, and that the report also identify other sources of outside funding or financing*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Alpers and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 1 by 18 votes to 6, the voting being as follows:

For (18): Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Baker, Buck, Condon, Cox, Crighton, C Evans, M Evans, Ganda, James, Keast, Sheriff, Stonhill, Wells, Williams, Withers and the Mayor.

Against (6): Councillors Broughton, Corbett, Harrow, O'Rourke, Stewart and Wright.

It was further **resolved** that the words "*once the facilities are established*" be added at the end of recommendation 1.

The recommendations made by the Subcommittee were then adopted, subject to incorporation of the foregoing amendments.

(Note: Councillor Wells recorded her vote against the adoption of the Subcommittee's recommendations, as amended.)

REFUSE BAGS (CLAUSE 14)

Councillor Williams moved by way of amendment:

1. *That the forward budget be prepared on the basis of the delivery of only 26 rates-funded black bags per annum in 2003/04.*
2. *That the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee investigate and recommend to the Council the preferred methodology for future household collection of refuse.*
3. *That the Council continue to develop and expand its waste minimisation strategy.*
4. *That the Council work in partnership with central government and Local Government New Zealand to implement 'The New Zealand Waste Strategy: Towards Zero Waste and a Sustainable New Zealand'.*

(11.58am Councillor Austin returned)

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Alpers. When put to the meeting clauses 2, 3 and 4 of the amendment were declared **carried**, while clause 1 was declared **lost** on division no 2 by 12 votes to 13, the voting being as follows:

Against (13): Councillors Broughton, Condon, Corbett, C Evans, M Evans, Harrow, O'Rourke, Sheriff, Stewart, Stonhill, Wells, Withers and Wright.

For (12): Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Austin, Baker, Buck, Cox, Crighton, Ganda, James, Keast, Williams and the Mayor.

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Councillor Broughton moved by way of further amendment:

- “1. That the forward budget be prepared on the basis of the delivery of 52 rubbish bags.
2. That the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee be further asked to identify savings within the operational budget, in order that the rate increase as presently forecast can be constrained.”

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Stewart and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 3 by 14 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

For (14): Councillors Baker, Broughton, Corbett, Cox, Crighton, C Evans, Harrow, Sheriff, Stewart, Wells, Williams, Withers, Wright and the Mayor.

Against (11): Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Austin, Buck, Condon, M Evans, Ganda, James, Keast, O'Rourke and Stonhill.

When put to the meeting as the substantive motion the three carried amendments moved by Councillor Williams and Councillor Alpers and the two carried amendments moved by Councillor Broughton and seconded by Councillor Stewart were declared **carried** on division no 4 by 17 votes to 8, the voting being as follows:

For (17): Councillors Austin, Baker, Broughton, Buck, Corbett, Cox, Crighton, C Evans, Harrow, James, Sheriff, Stewart, Wells, Williams, Withers, Wright and the Mayor.

Against (8): Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Condon, M Evans, Ganda, Keast, O'Rourke and Stonhill.

(1.05pm Councillor Cox retired)

TREATED HAZARDOUS WASTE INCENTIVE/DISINCENTIVE FEE (CLAUSE 16)

Also considered in conjunction with this clause was clause 1 of the supplementary report by the Chair of the Annual Plan Subcommittee.

In accordance with the recommendation contained in the latter report, it was **resolved** that the recommendation of the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee be adopted for the years 2002/03 and 2003/04 only.

REVIEW OF ONE-HOUR FREE CAR PARKING INITIATIVE: POSSIBLE OPTIONS/INITIATIVES FOR COST OFFSETS (CLAUSE 18)

Councillor Alpers moved by way of amendment “*That the following additional clause be added to recommendation (1):*”

- (v) *A review of alternatives to “first hour free”, including:*
- *first half hour free*
 - *first two hours half price*
 - *limiting the discount to those who park less than two hours”*

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Buck and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

The recommendation made by the Subcommittee was then adopted.

(Note: Councillor Carole Evans recorded her vote against the adoption of the Subcommittee’s recommendation.)

QEII PARK – UPGRADE (CLAUSE 19)

This clause was also the subject of a supplementary report by the Chair of the Annual Plan Subcommittee.

The recommendations contained in clause 19 and in the supplementary report were both adopted.

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Councillor Corbett moved by way of addition *“That the further QEII renewals and developments listed in both reports be referred to the Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee for review, on the basis that the provisions and substitutions listed in both reports will be included in the draft Annual Plan, pending review by the Special Committee”*. The amendment was seconded by Councillor Baker and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 5 by 14 votes to 9, the voting being as follows:

- For (14):** Councillors Alpers, Anderton, Austin, Buck, Corbett, Crighton, M Evans, Harrow, James, Stewart, Wells, Williams, Withers and the Mayor.
- Against (9):** Councillors Baker, Condon, C Evans, Ganda, Keast, O'Rourke, Sheriff, Stonhill and Wright.
- Abstain:** Councillor Broughton.

The motion, as amended, when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

(2.15pm Councillor Cox returned)

LEISURE UNIT: CHARGES (CLAUSE 20)

Councillor Ganda moved by way of amendment *“That the present children's pool admission charge of \$1.50 per child be retained for all outdoor pools”*. The amendment was seconded by Councillor Wright and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** on division no 6 by 13 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

- For (13):** Councillors Anderton, Austin, Broughton, Buck, C Evans, M Evans, Ganda, Keast, O'Rourke, Stonhill, Wells, Williams and Wright.
- Against (11):** Councillors Baker, Condon, Corbett, Cox, Crighton, Harrow, James, Sheriff, Stewart, Withers and the Mayor.
- Temporarily Absent:** Councillor Alpers.

On being put to the meeting recommendation 2 relating to an increase in children's pool admission charges from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per child (such recommendation only to apply to indoor pools, owing to the adoption of the preceding amendment) was declared **carried** on division no 7 by 17 votes to 8, the voting being as follows:

- For (17):** Councillors Alpers, Austin, Baker, Condon, Corbett, Cox, Crighton, Ganda, Harrow, James, O'Rourke, Sheriff, Stewart, Stonhill, Wells, Withers and the Mayor.
- Against (8):** Councillors Anderton, Broughton, Buck, C Evans, M Evans, Keast, Williams and Wright.

Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 made by the Community and Leisure Committee were then adopted without amendment.

(Note: Councillors Carole Evans, Megan Evans, Ingrid Stonhill and Chrissie Williams recorded their votes against the adoption of recommendation 3, relating to the Council's policy on sunbeds.)

ARTS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE (CLAUSE 29)

Councillor O'Rourke moved by way of amendment *“That the additional provision of \$50,000 per annum for art in public places be included in years 2 and 3 only, and that the surplus from the Millennium Bridge be used for art in public places in year 1”*. The amendment was seconded by Councillor Carole Evans and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

The recommendation made by the Subcommittee that additional provision of \$50,000 per annum be made in years 1, 2 and 3 for art in public places was then declared **carried** on division no 8 by 13 votes to 11, the voting being as follows:

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For (13): Councillors Alpers, Austin, Baker, Broughton, Buck, Condon, Crighton, C Evans, Ganda, James, Stewart, Williams and the Mayor.

Against (11): Councillors Anderton, Corbett, Cox, M Evans, Harrow, Keast, O'Rourke, Sheriff, Wells, Withers and Wright.

Temporarily Absent: Councillor Stonhill.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS (CLAUSE 24)

Councillor O'Rourke moved by way of amendment "*That recommendation 1 be amended to provide that the festivals and events output be capped at \$2.5m for three years, including \$250,000 for the new Garden Festival*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Wright and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

Recommendation 2 was then adopted without amendment.

It was further **resolved** that a notation be included in the draft Plan indicating that the amounts set aside are indicative only, and that the actual amounts allocated in each case will be decided by the Events and Festivals Subcommittee under delegated authority.

(3pm Councillors Buck, Corbett, Megan Evans, Keast, O'Rourke and Stonhill retired)

198 YOUTH HEALTH CENTRE (CLAUSE 21)

Councillor Anderton moved by way of amendment "*That recommendation 2 be amended to provide That the Council hold further consultations with Canterbury District Health Board regarding the funding of this service beyond 2002/03*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor James and when put to the meeting was declared **carried** as the substantive motion.

Recommendation 1 was then adopted without amendment.

SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE (CLAUSE 28)

Councillor Stewart moved by way of amendment "*That the proposed substitution of \$50,000 for cycle safe training in place in undergrounding be reversed for the year 2003/04*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Wright and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

REVIEW OF USER CHARGES (CLAUSE 31)

Councillor Broughton moved by way of amendment "*That recommendation 2 be amended to provide That a report on a possible charging regime for overseas visitors be prepared in December 2002, with advice from an independent consultant*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Harrow and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

The two recommendations made by the Subcommittee were then adopted without alteration.

BUS XCHANGE: PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL OPERATING COSTS

Following consideration of the report by the Bus Xchange Subcommittee, it was **resolved**:

1. That provision for additional funding of \$192,192 be confirmed in the draft plan for 2002/03, covering the following increased costs:

Item	Amount
Electricity	\$33,250
Insurance	\$1,242
Security	\$89,000
Building maintenance	\$20,000
Cleaning and consumables	\$40,000
Centre management	\$8,700
Total	\$192,192

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2. That the draft plan also incorporate revenue provision of \$50,000 covering the rental of the control room and information kiosk.
3. That the officers be requested to arrange an early meeting with Ecan to discuss cost recoveries relating to security and maintenance, and other related issues.
4. That Ecan be requested to contribute to the cost of the ongoing maintenance and security of the Bus Xchange, from the funding available to Ecan through the Government's credit patronage funding scheme, and that Ecan also be requested to consider paying rental for the control room and information kiosk within the Bus Xchange from the time these facilities were first occupied by Ecan.
5. That the Bus Xchange Subcommittee be invited to join the meeting with Ecan when these issues are discussed.

(3.39pm Councillor Wells retired)

EXTENSION OF MEETING

The time being 3.40pm, it was **resolved** pursuant to Standing Order 2.7.1 that the present meeting continue for one further hour, to 4.40pm.

(3.41pm Councillor Crighton retired)

ST ALBANS PRESCHOOL

In view of the resolution adopted by the Council at its March meeting providing for a maximum contribution by the Council of \$350,000 for this project (to include all fitout and landscaping costs) it was **resolved** that the draft provision of \$450,000 made for this item be reduced to \$350,000.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: OSCAR SUPPORT

It was **resolved** that the provision of \$20,000 for this line item proposed for 2002/03 be confirmed, but that the recommended provision of \$40,000 for the years 2003/04 to 2011/12 inclusive set out in the schedule of changes recommended by the Annual Plan Subcommittee be reduced to \$20,000 annually for each of these years.

PARKS AND WATERWAYS: AVON RIVER AND CENTRAL CITY FEATURE LIGHTING OF \$30,000

It was **resolved** that a note be included in the provision made for this item indicating that priority would be given to bridge feature lighting.

CIVIC OFFICES ACCOMMODATION

It was **resolved** that the provision made for the renewal of Civic Offices accommodation be deferred until 2004/05.

BLenheim ROAD DEVIATION

Councillor Baker moved by way of amendment "*That the funding proposed for the Blenheim Road deviation project be moved out by two years, subject to confirmation that this deferment is acceptable bearing in mind the contractual obligations with Ngai Tahu, the construction timetable and other factors*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Sheriff and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

Councillor Austin then moved by way of further amendment "*That Annual Plan Subcommittee be requested to consider issues of timing and funding relating to the proposed Blenheim Road deviation, and that a note be included in the draft Plan indicating that the provision made for this project is subject to review*". The amendment was seconded by the Mayor and when put to the meeting was declared **carried**.

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MAYOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUNDING

Councillor Sheriff moved by way of amendment "*That the Mayor's discretionary funding be reduced from \$60,000 to \$30,000, to cover discretionary expenditure by both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor*". The motion was seconded by Councillor Cox and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

(4.18pm Councillor Keast returned)
(4.22pm Councillor Williams returned)
(4.30pm Councillors Cox and Sheriff retired)

2002/03 RATES INCREASE

Councillor Broughton moved by way of amendment "*That the rate funded operating budget be reduced by 1.45% and that Council officers be requested to identify sufficient savings in their administrative budgets to provide for such reduction*". The amendment was seconded by Councillor Stewart and when put to the meeting was declared **lost**.

COST REDUCTIONS AND PRIORITY SETTING OF EXPENDITURE

It was then **resolved** on the motion of Councillor James, seconded by Councillor Stewart "*That the Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee work with each of the Standing Committees and the Community Boards to identify cost reductions and the priority setting of expenditure, with the Budget Scrutiny and Audit Special Committee to submit a series of reports on this topic to the Council over the next 10 months*".

The Director of Finance advised that the amendments made at the meeting resulted in an overall rate increase of 3.55% for 2002/03, and increases of the following amounts in the years indicated:

2003/04	4.73%
2004/05	6.8%
2005/06	4.72%

It was then **resolved** that the recommendations contained in clause 35 be adopted, subject to:

- The incorporation of the further adjustments made at the present Council meeting.
- The alteration of recommendation 2 to refer to an overall rate increase of 3.55%.

3. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 4.40pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 24TH DAY OF APRIL 2002

MAYOR