

21. LAGAN STREET HEALTHY STREET TREE REMOVAL

The Board received a report seeking approval to remove the existing trees in Lagan Street and resolve the extent of the replanting programme.

Tim Rillstone and Walter Fielding-Cotterell (Parks and Waterways Unit), spoke to the Board about their findings in conducting a street survey seeking residents' views. They reported that not all residents share the problem of damage caused by the existing trees to fences, paths, gardens, and boundaries and approximately half of the residents did not respond.

Parks and Waterways are agreeable to negotiating with the affected property owners in regard to this. The Japanese Maple has been suggested for the replanting programme because of its slow growth. Mr Fielding-Cotterell advised that native trees have a high mortality rate.

The Board **resolved** to delay making a decision until the Papanui Board members have had an opportunity to meet on site and speak to the residents who have not responded to the street survey.