


## 5. AVON-HEATHCOTE ESTUARY IHUTAI TRUST



A report from the Parks and Waterways Planner updated Board members on recent developments relating to the possible formation of an Avon-Heathcote Estuary Trust, Council involvement in the proposed Trust and the writing of a non-statutory management plan for the Estuary. The Board **decided** to recommend to the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee:

1. That the Christchurch City Council support the formation of an Avon-Heathcote Estuary Ihutai Trust and be willing to work and interact with this trust and Environment Canterbury to develop a non-statutory plan for the Avon-Heathcote Estuary/Ihutai.
2. That this report be referred to the joint Christchurch City Council/Environment Canterbury Coastal and Estuary Working Party for consideration.
3. That when the Trust is formed the Council draw up a Memorandum of Understanding with the Trust that also clarifies the statutory powers and governance responsibilities of each Council and its relationship to the Trust.
4. That consideration be given to the role of the Travis Wetland Trust as an operational model for the Estuary Ihutai Trust.