4. REGIONAL WASTE MINIMISATION

Mr Zefanja Potgieter, Resource Planner Solid Waste, Christchurch City Council, City Water and Waste Unit, provided an update on the recommendations of the Regional Waste Minimisation Working Party meeting held on 20 February 2003.

The report outlined details of the projects proposed for the remainder of the 2002/03 financial year and for the 2003/04 year.

The recommendations of the working party were detailed within the report which suggested that the two proposed regional waste minimisation seminars (one for the northern and one for the southern part of the Canterbury region) should be convened during the September/October 2003 period rather than being held during March as originally proposed.

Members noted the desirability, as agreed in the revised constituting agreement, of providing budget details in time for the commencement of the annual planning process in October each year and the Chairman commented on the need for the working party to meet again to discuss the 2003/04 budget.

The Subcommittee resolved:

- 1. To confirm the recommended expenditure of \$40,000 on the regional organics study, and \$2,500 on the Clopyralid study for the 2002/03 financial year.
- 2. That member Councils budget \$75,000 for regional waste minimisation initiatives as set out in the report.
- 3. That for the 2003/04 year two regional seminars (as discussed in the report) be held during September/October and that a proposal on addressing wood waste in Canterbury be requested from City Solutions and the Recovered Materials Foundation.