


9. TRADE WASTE CHARGES FOR INDUSTRY: REMOVAL OF DOMESTIC ALLOWANCE



The Committee considered a report from Mike Stockwell, City Water and Waste Unit Manager, regarding the wastewater domestic allowance to industry, and which sought a recommendation from the Committee to the Annual Plan Subcommittee on whether the allowance should be terminated and if so over what period it should be phased out.

Attached to the report was a detailed technical briefing paper together with a legal opinion from Buddle Findlay and Co and a copy of the submission previously considered by the Committee from the Canterbury Manufacturers' Association. The legal opinion from Buddle Findlay concluded that the Council could choose whether to remove the allowance or not and if so over what period. Details of the estimated increase in revenue for the Council and financial impacts on industry in removing this allowance were contained in the attachments to the technical briefing paper.

The Committee **decided** to recommend to the Annual Plan Subcommittee that the domestic allowance for industry be removed and that this be phased in over a six-year period commencing from 1 July 2005.