4. KENNEDYS BUSH ROAD NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION REQUEST IN RESPECT OF HALSWELL QUARRY: MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SISTER CITIES PROTOCOL

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The purpose of this report is to reintroduce the Kennedys Bush Road Neighbourhood Association request for a temporary suspension to any further Sister City projects in the Quarry and the Board decision to hold this matter over for further consideration at today's meeting.

BACKGROUND

Mrs Sylvia Lukey and Mr Bob Webster (from the Association) addressed the 24 February meeting of the Environment Committee.

Copies of the tabled submissions are attached.

The deputation sought the support of the Board to request Council to suspend any further Sister City projects in the Halswell Quarry, as they saw these as being in conflict with the approved Management Plan.

The Association sought a moratorium on any further Sister City structures, a greater awareness to the semi-rural and informal concept of the Quarry, and that the Quarry be gazetted as a Reserve.

A temporary suspension of works was seen as desirable so that the Management Plan and the Sister Cities proposal could be reviewed to ensure that designs made at the Quarry are in accordance with the agreed plan.

Whilst the Committee was sympathetic to the Association and were supportive of their requests, they added a further recommendation (for the Board to consider) that the Board seek speaking rights to the Council in support of the residents' deputation.

BOARD DELIBERATION (3 MARCH 2004)

At the Board meeting the Community Advocate advised that the Mayor had sought an opportunity to address the Board on this matter and requested that it be held over for further consideration until the next Board meeting.

The Board **decided** to hold over this matter to its 31 March meeting to allow the Mayor to address the Board; also that speaking rights be given to Mrs Sylvia Lukey and Mr Bob Webster to respond to the Mayor's presentation.

The Board also **decided** that the installation of any new structures of Sister City projects should be held over until after the 31 March Board meeting.

(At the March Board meeting, Ishwar Ganda declared an interest in this issue and withdrew from discussion and voting thereon. Lesley Keast abstained from voting on this issue.)

Staff

Recommendation: For discussion.

Chairman's

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