10. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT OF 27 NOVEMBER 2006 MEETING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 27 November 2006.

The meeting was attended by Neville Bennett (Chairperson), Helen Broughton, Lesley Keast, Peter Laloli, Mike Mora, Bob Shearing and Tony Sutcliffe.

Apologies for lateness were received and accepted from Neville Bennett, Helen Broughton and Mike Mora.

Neville Bennett arrived at 3.33 pm and was absent for clause 2 and part of clause 4.

Helen Broughton arrived at 3.32 pm and was absent for clause 2 and part of clause 4.

Mike Mora arrived at 4.24 pm and was present for part of clause 5.

1. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

2. UPDATE ON GREENSPACE CAPITAL PROJECTS

Brent Smith, Capital Projects Team Manager, attended and provided an update to members on the Greenspace capital projects in the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board area. He advised the 10 year programme was currently being reviewed.

Mr Smith noted that the capital programme as circulated did not include reserve developments being undertaken by developers to later vest in the Council, eg reserves were being provided by the developer in stage 5 of the Aidanfield Development.

Members also briefly discussed the development of Canterbury Park and the Owaka Pit/Awatea Deviation corridor.

The Committee's recommendation on these matters is recorded in clause 6.1 of this report.

3. GREATER CHRISTCHURCH URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - POSSIBLE BOARD SUBMISSION

The Board discussed the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy Consultation document which had been released for public consultation with submissions to close on 20 December 2006.

Members took the opportunity to discuss the overall concept of the strategy and the specific questions asked within the consultation document.

Comments and suggestions made by members were noted and it was agreed that a draft submission be circulated to members prior to ratification of the submission at the 12 December 2006 meeting of the Board.

4. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE FUNDS UPDATE

The Board considered a report providing an update on the 2006/07 Environment Committee Fund. Staff confirmed that reports on possible projects for funding were expected to be placed before the Board in the near future, and the meeting requested that some urgency be afforded to those reports to ensure that funds were committed and spent before the end of the financial year.

The Committee's recommendation on this matter is recorded under clause 6.2 of this report.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBERS INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Members took the opportunity to discuss current issues of interest and concern.

It was requested that further information be provided to the Board in respect of the Gansu Gate proposed for the Halswell Quarry Park. It was noted that the site chosen for this Gate was outside the Halswell Quarry Management Plan area.

6. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1. UPDATE ON GREENSPACE CAPITAL PROJECTS

- (a) That Council staff be requested to provide a seminar to the Board on the process relating to provision of developer funded reserves in new subdivisions and the appropriate means by which these proposed reserves might be reported to the Board.
- (b) That Council staff provide a seminar to update the Board on developments relating to Canterbury Park.
- (c) That staff provide an update to the Board on the Owaka Pit/Awatea Deviation corridor.
- 6.2 In addition, it was requested that staff investigate the placement of a see-through gate at the Carmen Road end of the walkway.