

10. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT OF 24 APRIL 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 24 April 2006.

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

1. FERRIER PARK MAJOR TREE REPLACEMENT PLAN

The Committee considered a report on a major tree replacement planting plan for Ferrier Park following consultation with the local community. The report contained a recommendation to allocate \$15,000 from the Board's 2005/06 Environment Committee Fund for the native planting component of the proposed plan.

The Committee's recommendation is recorded under Clause 5 of this report.

2. MIDDLETON PARK PLAYGROUND AND TOILET UPGRADE

The Committee considered a report on the plan for the Middleton Park playground and toilet upgrade following consultation with the local community. Members were advised that work has already started on upgrading the toilet due to an administrative error.

The Committee's recommendation is recorded under Clause 5 of this report.

3. ALLOCATION OF 2006/07 PROJECT FUNDING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

At its seminar meeting of 10 April 2006 the Board had agreed that relevant applications on the funding matrix be submitted to the next round of Board Committee meetings for further discussion and recommendation.

The Committee considered three applications for environmental projects from the 2006/07 project matrix:

- Racecourse Reserve Extension Development
- Kyle Park Bush Project
- Ilam Stream Monitoring.

The Board will make its decisions on allocation of its 2006/07 project funds at an extraordinary meeting at 8.00am on 12 May 2006.

The Committee's recommendation is recorded under Clause 5 of this report.

4. BOARD MEMBERS POSSIBLE IDEAS FOR PROJECTS FROM REMAINING 2005/06 FUNDS

At its meeting of 29 March 2006 Board members identified possible projects that could be funded from remaining 2005/06 funds.

The Parks and Waterways Area Advocate provided an indication of likely costs associated with putting a walkway through Rosella Reserve. The Committee agreed to complete a site visit to examine the possibility of such a walkway and what use the walkway would get. The Committee agreed that it would be more appropriate for this possible project to be funded from 2006/07 funds.

The Parks and Waterways Area Advocate also provided information on landscaping in Dovedale Street. The Committee agreed to examine the possibility of landscaping in Dovedale Street in conjunction with issues of traffic safety, and agreed that it would be more appropriate for this possible project to be funded from 2006/07 funds.

5. **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (a) That the Board approves the Ferrier Park Major Tree Replacement Planting Plan and that the Greenspace Unit commences the implementation programme during the current planting season (May-September).

(Note: Neville Bennett recorded his vote against the resolution.)

- (b) That the Board allocates \$15,000 from its 2005/06 Environment Committee Fund to implement the native planting component of the proposed Ferrier Park Major Tree Replacement Planting Plan.
- (c) That the Board approves the plan for the Middleton Park playground and toilet upgrade and for the Greenspace Unit to commence the construction programme.
- (d) That the Board allocates \$15,000 from its 2006/07 project funds for costs associated with the establishment and planting of the Racecourse Reserve Extension.
- (e) That the Board allocates \$20,000 from its 2006/07 project funds for costs to initiate a native planting project on Kyle Park.
- (f) That the Board allocates \$8,000 from its 2006/07 project funds for costs associated with a stream monitoring programme in conjunction with the Ilam Stream Restoration Programme.