10. RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT OF 26 FEBRUARY 2007 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 26 February 2007.

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

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Helen Broughton.

1. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

2. **DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

(a) MONTCLARE RESERVE PLAYGROUND RENEWAL

Mr Derek Erasmus and his two children Edward and Fraser Gurney, and Mrs Elizabeth Wright and her son Edward Wright addressed the Committee to express their opposition to the Montclare Reserve playground upgrade proposal.

The Committee received the information and its recommendation is recorded under clause 10.1 of this report.

3. MONTCLARE RESERVE PLAYGROUND RENEWAL

The Committee considered a report seeking the Board's approval to proceed to final design and construction of the Montclare Reserve playground upgrade proposal.

The Committee's recommendation on this matter is recorded under clause 10.1 of this report.

4. SHOWGATE RESERVE - MINOR WORKS

The Committee considered a report seeking the Board's consideration of an application for funding from the Riccarton Park Residents' Association for funding to carry out landscaping and the installation of vehicle barriers at Showgate Reserve.

The Committee's recommendations on this matter is recorded under clause 10.2 of this report.

5. WIGRAM COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

The Committee considered a report seeking the Board's consideration of a request for funding from the Wigram Park Community Association for the construction and installation of a community noticeboard.

The Committee's recommendations on this matter is recorded under clause 10.3 of this report.

6. RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD INITIATIVES REPORT

The Committee considered a report seeking the Board's approval to allocate funds from its 2006/07 Environment Committee Fund for the implementation of three Community Board initiated projects; daffodil plantings, an arbour day planting scheme in local schools and the installation of barbeque tables and park benches.

The Committee's recommendations on this matter is recorded under clause 10.4 of this report.

7. ALLOCATION OF 2006/07 ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE FUNDS – COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES

The Committee considered a report on information regarding the cost of purchasing and installing commemorative plaques in local areas in acknowledgement of the Board's contribution to community projects. The Committee's recommendation on this matter is recorded under clause 10.5 of this report.

8. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE FUNDS UPDATE

The Committee received the information.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Members were provided with an opportunity to share issues of concern and give a brief update on community activities.

Information on the Council's Project Legit Art Programme was circulated to members. It was requested that representatives from the Project Legit Art Programme be invited to attend a forthcoming Committee meeting to discuss details of the programme.

10. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 MONTCLARE RESERVE PLAYGROUND RENEWAL

That the Board agrees that the report lie on the table until a site visit of the reserve playground has been undertaken and requests that staff provide information on the current status of the fort and the design changes that would be required in order for the fort to meet the required playground safety standards.

10.2 SHOWGATE RESERVE - MINOR WORKS

- (a) That the Board agrees to allocate \$5,000 from its 2006/07 Environment Committee Fund for minor landscaping and vehicle barrier installation at Showgate Reserve.
- (b) That the City Environment Group implements these projects in the 2006/07 financial year as outlined in the report.

10.3 WIGRAM COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

- (a) That the Board approves the application for funding for the noticeboard at the Harvard Community Lounge and funds the cost of the noticeboard from available 2006/07 Environment Committee Funds.
- (b) That the Board agrees that the Wigram Park Residents' Association will be responsible for maintaining the information available on the noticeboard.

10.4 RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD INITIATIVES REPORT

- (a) That the Board agrees to allocate \$12,000 from its 2006/07 Environment Committee Fund to implement the following three Community Board initiated projects:
 - \$5,000 Daffodil plantings (The Greenspace Contracts Manager will identify high profile local sites and advise the Board of these sites via a memorandum.)
 - \$2,000 Arbour Day planting scheme in local schools.
 - \$5,000 BBQ Tables/Park Benches (Two benches/tables are to be installed in the Westmorland area, one at Denton Park, and one in the Halswell area.)
- (b) That the City Environment Group implements these projects in the 2006/07 financial year as outlined in the report.

10.5 ALLOCATION OF 2006/07 ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE FUNDS - COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUES

That the Board agrees to fund the cost of purchasing commemorative plaques and the associated installation costs on a case by case basis, for appropriate projects as and when they arise.