

11. AKAROA DESIGN AND APPEARANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 21 AUGUST 2007

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**A meeting of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee
was held on Tuesday 21 August 2007 at 10.04am**

PRESENT: Stewart Miller (Acting Chairman), Victoria Andrews, Lynda Wallace
and Tony Ussher

IN ATTENDANCE: Rod Naish Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board member
Kent Wilson Planner, Environmental Policy & Approvals Unit
Keri Davis-Miller Planner, Environmental Policy & Approvals Unit
Liz Carter Community Board Adviser

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from David
Margetts (Historic Places Trust) and Joanne Easterbrook (Historic
Places Trust).

An apology for lateness was received and accepted from Kent
Wilson who entered the meeting at 10:25am and was absent for
clauses 1 and 2 and part of clause 3.

The Committee reports that:

1. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20 MARCH 2007

The Committee **resolved** that the report of the meeting held on 20 March 2007 be confirmed.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

3. PLANS TO CONSIDER

3.1 TWEED MILL LIMITED - 7 CHURCH STREET - ALTERATIONS

Mr Terry Luxon (Tweed Mill Ltd) was in attendance and spoke to his proposal for alterations and refurbishment of the buildings at 7 Church Street, Akaroa. He explained that it was his intention to convert the buildings into four retail premises. Plans of the proposal had been previously circulated to members.

Members discussed the proposal and questioned Mr Luxon on several aspects, including:

- replacement of battens
- size of windows on the south elevation
- size of corner window on west elevation

Overall the Committee was comfortable with the project and congratulated Mr Luxon on his proposal, however there were concerns expressed regarding the requirement to incorporate on-site carparking. It was felt that this area was a walking environment, rather than a vehicular one. There were also concerns at the general demise of cottage gardens in the Akaroa town centre due, to lawns and gardens being converted for car parking.

The Committee **resolved** to support the proposal for alterations to the buildings at 7 Church Street Akaroa, but questioned the need to provide on-site carparking which could compromise the existing streetscape and amenity values of the historic area.

Members also noted that the carparking was in close proximity to the Akaroa Area School and an intersection, which could create traffic and pedestrian safety issues.

The meeting concluded at 10.40am

(Next Meeting – Tuesday 18th September 2007)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receive this report.