

7. AKAROA DESIGN AND APPEARANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – 3 MAY 2012

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee meeting held on Thursday 3 May 2012. The meeting commenced at 2.35pm.

The meeting was attended by Committee members Stewart Miller, Victoria Andrews, William Fulton, Philip Kennedy, Pam Richardson and Lynda Wallace.

1. APOLOGIES

An apology was received and accepted from John Davey.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The committee **received** the minutes of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday 4 April 2012.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

4. PLANS TO CONSIDER

4.1 Akaroa Fish and Chip Shop, Beach Road

Mr Alun Wilkie, architect, Paul Bradley, property owner, and Janine and Brent Slagter, business owners, addressed the Committee outlining the proposal for the replacement of the Akaroa fish and chip shop, which had recently been destroyed by fire. The plans and supporting documentation had been circulated with the agenda. A minor amendment was also presented to the committee which detailed the lowering of the roofline.

It was submitted that the site was unique and had for many years had an open space in front of the building, particularly suitable to a fish and chip business. The applicant had incorporated a nautical element to the design which they felt was appropriate for the site. They described the design as “unashamedly modern”. The proposed building would have a bigger footprint than the previous one, and would be sited slightly further forward on the property.

Some members of the Committee liked the concept and design for the replacement building, noting that the site was unique and the design was an innovative one, which fitted in with adjoining buildings. They appreciated the intent to maintain a large open area in front of the building.

Other members felt the design was inappropriate in terms of the design guidelines, particularly the large overhang created by the roof at the front of the building.

The Committee could not reach a consensus on the advice it wished to give to the applicant, however the following points were noted:

- (a) Consideration could be given to the lowering of the roof pitch.
- (b) A request for more thought to be given to the visual detail on the side driveway/service entrance (eg the use of more timber detailing.)
- (c) A request for the applicants to provide more detail on the treatment proposed for the front (open area) of the site.

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Committee members said they would welcome the opportunity to review any updates to the plan.

The Committee also indicated it would welcome the return of the "fish" sign which had been erected outside the Fish and Chip shop for many years.

5. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

Nil.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Specific mention was made of the following matters:

- **Information Centre/Postal Agency Portacom**

Members were informed that a portacom may be placed on the south side of The Gaiety carpark to accommodate the visitor centre and postal agency. It would occupy approximately four carparks.

The Committee **decided** to ask staff to request that the Visitor Centre consider obtaining a portacom that is not white, but a colour that will blend into the surroundings. Members also asked to be circulated with the proposed colour and positioning of the portacom for their information.

- **Public Temporary Toilets – Relocation**

The Committee suggested that during the next cruise ship season it would be ideal for The Gaiety toilets to be accessible to the public, however if this was not possible then the west side of the Akaroa fire station could be a suitable temporary site.

The meeting closed at 4.30pm.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receive the minutes of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee meeting held on Thursday 3 May 2012.