

5. REGIONAL WASTE MINIMISATION INITIATIVES

The Subcommittee considered a report proposing new regional waste minimisation initiatives for its consideration as identified at a recent meeting of constituent council staff which considered proposals for new regional waste minimisation initiatives for the 2004/05 year. The report noted the current projects included contributing towards a national study on construction and demolition waste and a regional approach to organics as discussed at the seminar held by the Subcommittee in Timaru on 19 April 2004.

The report suggested proposals related to:

1. Tyres
2. Participation in recycling
3. Use of recycled wood products
4. Advancing waste minimisation through levies
5. Recycling in the work place
6. Regional information sharing
7. Placing of refuse and recycling bins
8. Solid waste remit - establishment of waste levies

Relevant information in respect to each of the proposals was provided within the report and the opportunity was taken for discussion in respect to the proposals and especially the processing of greenwaste and putrescibles and regional co-operation in respect to these.

It was agreed that Christchurch City Council staff would provide a summary briefing paper for the Waimakariri District Council, copied to other constituent councils, in respect to its current proposals for greenwaste and putrescible collection and processing.

The Subcommittee **resolved**:

1. That quotes be obtained for the following activities: tyres, participation in recycling and recycled wood products.
2. That the proposed actions for activities 4, 6, 7 and 8 be further developed by staff and reported back on.
3. That staff be requested to select suitable organisations from which to obtain quotes.
4. That in respect to proposal no 5 "recycling in the work place" the Christchurch City Council Resource Efficiency Team, Recovered Materials Foundation and Ashburton Waste Busters be requested to carry out this function.