


3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

3.1 PROPOSED CROSS-SUBURBAN BUS ROUTE



Matthew Noon, from Environment Canterbury, was in attendance to inform the Board about a proposed new cross-suburban bus route to complement the Orbiter service by linking major suburban attractions between the east and west of the City. The proposal is for a return route from New Brighton to Halswell, linking New Brighton, QEII Park and the Palms Mall within the Burwood/Pegasus area. The initial frequency of the service would be 15 minutes on weekdays and 30 minutes on weekends. Consultation on the specific proposal is planned for June/July and Environment Canterbury hopes to commence the service in November 2004.

The Board **received** the information.

3.2 PARKLANDS SOFTBALL CLUB

Andrea Cox, from the Parklands Softball Club, was in attendance concerning the club's need for clubrooms in the Parklands/Queenspark community. Andrea Cox explained that the club has over 350 members and is seeking a visible and dedicated local facility. The club currently uses Broadhaven Reserve as a home ground and also Parklands and Queenspark Parks, and has use of the Burwood Association Football Club's clubrooms at Clare Park. The club is interested in the possibility of using the church hall attached to the Parklands Community Centre, as the hall may become vacant, or other suitable local options including co-locating with a winter sports club.

The Board **decided** to request a report from the Community and Recreation Unit on the accommodation needs of the Parklands Softball Club and possible accommodation options.