13. QUESTIONS

Councillor Buck has submitted the following question pursuant to Standing Order 4.1.3:

"At last year's budget round there were submissions from parents and staff at Cobham School and Burnside Primary School to get a 40 kmph safety speed zone put into serve both schools on Ilam Rd. This was approved by the Annual Plan subctee and put in the budget for 04/05. I was told by staff it would go in, in January. I am now being told by staff that this will not go in, in the 04/05 year because of a budget deficit and will have to wait for the 05/06 year.

I want to ask what has happened that has caused this budget blowout. I also question the reason why this school has had to wait. I was told by staff that there was more people ringing up from the other school in the Burwood area - do we just operate on a squeaky wheel policy?? Surely it should be assessed as to which is the greater risk and given there are two schools in Ilam Road (a primary and an intermediate) this site would be high on the list."