MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT 9.30AM ON THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2006

PRESENT: The Mayor, Garry Moore (Chairperson). Councillors Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Barry Corbett, Anna Crighton, Carole Evans, Pat Harrow, Bob Parker, Bob Shearing, Gail Sheriff and Norm Withers.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Graham Condon, David Cox and Sue Wells. It was **resolved** that the apologies be accepted.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING OF 15 JUNE 2006

Resolved: That the open and public excluded minutes of the Council meeting held on Thursday 15 June 2006 be confirmed.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

It was **resolved** that speaking rights be granted to Bruce Mather and Rosalie Snoyink (Malvern Hills Protection Society) and Doug Marsh (Chairman, Central Plains Water Trust).

4. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

6. MAYOR'S REPORT

It was **resolved** that the report be received.

7. PLAN CHANGE 2: REZONING OF 23 AND 25 MOORHOUSE AVENUE

This report was withdrawn, in order that it could first be submitted to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board.

8. PLAN CHANGE 3: REZONING OF 7 ST ALBANS STREET

This report was withdrawn, in order that it could first be submitted to the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board.

9. HOUSING WORKING PARTY TERMS OF REFERENCE

Resolved:

- (a) That the draft terms of reference set out in the report be adopted.
- (b) That the following elected members be appointed as members of the Working Party: Mayor, Councillors Condon, Cox, Crighton and Withers, plus a Community Board nominee, as determined by the Chairs of the Community Boards

(Note: Private sector representatives and the Tenants' Protection Association's representative are to be added to the list of key potential partners.)

10. NIGHT SHELTER AND SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION FOR WOMEN SERVICE

Resolved: That the staff recommendation be adopted, subject to the closure date for registrations of interest being extended to 15 August 2006 and the time line being adjusted accordingly.

11. GOWERTON PLACE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT - LETTER OF OFFER

Resolved: That the General Manager Community Services be authorised to sign the letter of offer received from Housing New Zealand Corporation, including the acceptance of a suspensory loan for 20 years of \$2,442,488 for the construction of Council housing units at Gowerton Place, provided that the Council is satisfied with the conditions

14. POLICY ON SIGNIFICANCE

It was **resolved** that the draft report as amended (see clause 16(2)) be referred to the Council's LTCCP meeting on Friday 30 June 2006.

15. DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY

It was **resolved** that the report be referred to the Council's LTCCP meeting on Friday 30 June 2006.

16. NOTICES OF MOTION

(2) Draft Policy on Significance

It was **resolved** that the notice of motion be accepted and be considered in two parts.

"That the Council amend its draft Policy on Significance that in defining strategic assets:

(i) "Equity", instead of "controlling interest" be reinstated."

When put to the meeting the motion was declared **carried** on division no 1 by 7 votes to 4, the voting being as follows:

For (7): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Crighton, Evans, Parker, Withers and the Mayor.

Against (4): Councillors Corbett, Harrow, Shearing and Sheriff.

It was **resolved** that the following be reinstated as strategic assets:

- City Care Ltd
- Red Bus Ltd
- The land and buildings owned as a whole by the Council for the provision of public rental housing

(1) Central Plains Irrigation Scheme

Prior to the consideration of the Notice of Motion, the two deputations were permitted to speak, as follows:

(a) Malvern Hills Protection Society

Barry Mather and Rosalie Snoyink representing the society spoke in support of the Christchurch City Council withdrawing from involvement with the Central Plains Water Trust. They considered that the responsibility for the city's and region's water rested with the City Council. They contended that the proposed irrigation scheme would increase the nitrogen levels in drinking water to a point where it exceeded the relevant standards. Option 1 requiring the Trust to withdraw its resource consent applications until such time as it had conducted its own review of the AEE was recommended.

(b) Central Plains Water Trust

Doug Marsh, Chairman of the Trust, advised that the resource consent applications were to be advertised the following weekend. The RMA process itself was very prescriptive and would enable all matters to be considered. There was a compelling case to harness a fraction of the river flow for irrigation purposes. The Trust considered that the scheme would provide significant long term economic and productivity benefits for the city.

The notice of motion was accepted following its amendment to read:

That, following the receipt of a legal opinion and after consultation with the Selwyn District Council within a period of one month, the Council consider withdrawing from all financial, constitutional and operational involvement in the Central Plains irrigation scheme.

On being put to the meeting the motion was declared **carried** on division no 2 by 8 votes to 3, the voting being as follows:

For (8): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Corbett, Crighton, Evans, Parker, Sheriff and Withers.

Against (3): Councillors Harrow, Shearing and the Mayor.

12. CENTRAL PLAINS WATER TRUST - DRAFT STATEMENT OF INTENT

On being put to the meeting the recommendation contained in the staff report was declared **carried** on division no 3 by 6 votes to 5, the voting being as follows:

For (6): Councillors Evans, Harrow, Parker, Shearing, Sheriff and the Mayor.

Against (5): Councillors Broughton, Buck, Corbett, Crighton and Withers.

13. CENTRAL PLAINS WATER - ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS (AEE) APPROVAL

It was **resolved** that the Council:

- (a) Note that the applications for resource consent will be notified by ECan on 24 June 2006.
- (b) Agree to evaluate the AEE over the next month.
- (c) Reserve the right to make objections in its own name to the resource consent applications as notified.
- (d) Seek agreement from the Central Plains Water Trust to work with the Council with a view to satisfying any reasonable concerns the Council may have with the AEE.

17. QUESTIONS

Nil.

18. **RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

It was **resolved** that the resolution to exclude the public set out on page 75 of the agenda be adopted.

CONFIRMED THIS 13TH DAY OF JULY 2006