



# CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

THURSDAY 16 AUGUST 2007

AT 9.30AM

IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC OFFICES

**Council:** The Mayor, Garry Moore (Chairperson).  
Councillors Helen Broughton, Sally Buck, Graham Condon, Barry Corbett, David Cox, Anna Crighton,  
Carole Evans, Pat Harrow, Bob Parker, Bob Shearing, Gail Sheriff, Sue Wells and Norm Withers.

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**6. MAYORAL VISIT TO WUHAN AND GANSU**

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager Public Affairs, DDI 941-8637
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Marketing Manager
<b>Author:</b>	Julie Battersby, Civic and International Relations Manager

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to report back to the Council on the Mayoral delegation visit to Wuhan City and Gansu Province in China 10–17 April 2007.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. Christchurch established a Friendly City relationship with Gansu Province in China in 1984, and in 2006 the Christchurch City Council signed a Friendship/Strategic relationship with Wuhan in the Hubei Province.
3. Since the inception of both relationships there have been many projects and programmes initiated to bring closer cultural and economic ties between Christchurch and each of Wuhan and Gansu.
4. The April 2007 Mayoral visit was undertaken to celebrate the first anniversary of the signing of the Friendship/Strategic relationship with Wuhan and also assist Education Christchurch and Canterbury and the University of Canterbury build stronger education connections under the banner of the two relationships. The Education Delegation included the first ever secondary student exchange programme between Christchurch and Wuhan. A total of 12 students stayed on home stay and joined in with school classes while in Wuhan. Two teachers supported the students and nine other teachers carried out specifically targeted marketing programmes with 'sister' schools in Wuhan. Vice Chancellor Roy Sharp joined the Mayoral Delegation and he signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Chinese University of Geosciences during his visit.
5. The visit to Wuhan included the following formal meetings:
  - Signing of a Vocational Agreement between Education Christchurch and Wuhan Education Board.
  - Formal discussion with Ambassador Tony Browne, New Zealand's Ambassador to China and Mayor Li, Mayor of Wuhan.
  - Visit, presentation and formal meeting with Huazhong University of Science and Technology – Wuchang Branch (HUST WB).
  - Visit, presentation and formal meeting with Number 1 Middle School attached to the central China Normal University.
  - Visit, and Memorandum of Understanding signing at the Chinese University of Geosciences.
  - Media conference and Official Opening of the Te Papa Exhibition "New Zealand – New Thinking", which has been funded by New Zealand Trade and Enterprise (NZTE) to visit four major cities in China.
  - Media Conference and speech at the Schools Cultural Performance in Wuhan.
6. The visit to Gansu included the following formal meetings:
  - Courtesy call and discussion with the Vice Governor of Gansu Province.
  - Visit and formal meeting with the Cadre Training Centre for discussion on potential links for training Local Government Managers at the University of Canterbury.
  - Visit to the Provincial Museum.
  - Visit and meeting with Director of the Lanzhou University to discuss possible connections with Universities in the Christchurch region.

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7. This visit built on the existing relationships between Christchurch and Wuhan. The existing relationships include connections involving the University of Canterbury, Lincoln University, Canterbury Development Corporation, Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce, Education Christchurch and Canterbury, Crop & Food CRI and the New Zealand Racing Industry Board.
8. The visit to Gansu Province opened the door for University of Canterbury Opportunities to work with training organisations in Lanzhou to provide Administration Training programmes for local government experts from Gansu.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9. There are no direct financial considerations

**Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?**

10. Covered by existing unit budgets.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

11. There are no legal considerations.

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

12. There are no legal implications.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

13. Volume 1, page 117 of the LTCCP, level of service under Economic Development.

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?**

14. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

15. Yes, Prosperous Economy and Strong Communities.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

16. Not applicable.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

17. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council receive this report and the oral report to be presented by Mayor Garry Moore.

**7. NEW CIVIC BUILDING PROJECT**

<b>Chief Executive Officer responsible:</b>	Tony Marrayatt, CEO, DDI 941-8554
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	General Manager Corporate Services
<b>Author:</b>	Roy Baker

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek changes to earlier resolutions of the Council with regard to the new civic building.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. At its meeting on 23 March 2007, the Council approved in principle the establishment of a new CCO (Tuam 2 Ltd) for the purpose of delivering a new civic building. The reasons for this were set out in a report to that meeting.
3. At an earlier meeting, on 8 June 2006, the Council resolved to approve an existing CCO, Travis Finance Ltd (subsequently renamed Tuam Ltd) for the purposes of purchasing the Tuam Street properties from the Council and a site for, and the development of, a new civic building (refer to Appendix 1 attached, Ownership of New Civic Building and Site Resolutions).
4. It is recommended that the resolution of 8 June 2006 be altered to reflect the reasons for establishing Tuam 2 Ltd.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5. The resolution of 8 June 2006 authorised the General Manager Corporate Services and the Director Strategic Investment to arrange completion of documentation required to enable Tuam Ltd to issue redeemable preference shares and up to \$15m of uncalled capital to the Council.
6. This was to ensure that Tuam Ltd remained solvent during the new civic building project and that a mix of debt and equity (formula based) was issued annually to match the funding that the project required.
7. It is recommended that the level of uncalled capital issued by Tuam Ltd to the Council be reduced from \$15m to \$5m and that Tuam 2 Ltd issue uncalled capital up to a level of \$10m at this stage.
8. As the position of Director Strategic Investment has been disestablished, it is also recommended that the General Manager Corporate Services be authorised to ensure that the approved financial structures be put in place in respect of both Tuam Ltd and Tuam 2 Ltd.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

9. For the sake of clarity, it is recommended that the Council alter its resolution of 8 June 2006 to reflect the establishment of Tuam 2 Ltd for the purpose of purchasing a site for and the construction, ownership and lease of the proposed new civic building to the Council.
10. It is also necessary to ensure that the General Manager Corporate Services is given the authority to ensure that the appropriate documentation and financial structures are put in place as and when required.
11. Standing order 2.18.17 states that:  
  
*“Any local authority meeting may, on a recommendation contained in a report by the Chairperson or Chief Executive, or the report of any committee, revoke or alter all or part of any resolution previously passed by the local authority or committee thereof, provided that notification of such recommendation shall have been given to the Chairperson and members at least two clear days before the meeting at which such recommendation is to be considered.”*
12. It is the Chief Executive’s recommendation that the Council alter its resolution of 8 June 2006 to reflect the matters referred to in this report.

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council resolve to:

- (a) Alter its resolution of 8 June 2006 by removing anything to do with the new civic building from the purposes for which Travis Finance Ltd (subsequently renamed Tuam Ltd) was approved.
- (b) Approve Tuam 2 Ltd as the Council Controlled Organisation for the purposes of:
  - (i) Entering into an agreement for sale and purchase in respect of a site for the new civic building once the Council approves the purchase of a site;
  - (ii) Subject to prior Council approval of the design of the building, entering into contracts in respect of the design and construction of the new civic building;
  - (iii) Entering into an agreement with Christchurch City Facilities Limited (CCFL) for the management of the new civic building project and the lease arrangements for the new civic building;
  - (iv) Entering into a Deed of Lease with the Council in respect of the new civic building once it is completed;
  - (v) Borrowing from the Council sufficient finance to complete the purchase of the site for the new civic building and construction of the building once the Council approves the purchase of a site.
- (c) Authorise the General Manager Corporate Services to take all steps necessary to ensure that Tuam 2 Ltd is able to undertake all transactions required for the purposes set out in (b)(i)–(v) of this resolution.
- (d) Borrow and on-lend to Tuam 2 Ltd sufficient finance to enable Tuam 2 Ltd to complete the purchase of a site approved by the Council for the new civic building and construction of the new civic building.
- (e) Authorise the General Manager Corporate Services to:
  - (i) arrange completion of the documentation required to enable Tuam Ltd to reduce the level of uncalled capital issued to the Council from \$15m to \$5m;
  - (ii) arrange completion of the documentation required to enable Tuam 2 Ltd to issue redeemable preference shares and up to \$10m of uncalled capital to the Council; and
  - (iii) manage the financial arrangements referred to in (i) and (ii) above in accordance with the Council's liability management policy.

**8. STATEMENTS OF INTENT FOR TUAM LTD AND TUAM 2 LTD**

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager Corporate Services, DDI 941-8540
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	General Manager Corporate Services
<b>Author:</b>	Roy Baker

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to receive and approve the Statements of Intent for two Council Controlled Organisations, Tuam Ltd and Tuam 2 Ltd. Copies of the draft Statements of Intent are attached.
2. It is also necessary for Councillors to approve changes to the current directors of both companies.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. At its meeting on 23 March 2007, the Council approved in principle the establishment of a new CCO (Tuam 2 Ltd) for the purpose of delivering a new civic building. The Council also resolved to include this proposal in the special consultative procedure adopted for the 2007 amendments to the Council's 2006-16 LTCCP.
4. Following completion of the consultation process on 28 June 2007, the Council adopted the 2007 amendments to its LTCCP. These included provision for the establishment of Tuam 2 Ltd to construct, own and lease the proposed new civic building to the Council. As a result of that resolution, Tuam 2 Ltd was established as a CCO and incorporated on 17 July 2007. The interim directors are Tony Marryatt and Roy Baker.
5. As a result of these resolutions, the role of Tuam Ltd is now restricted to owning and managing the existing civic building and related Tuam Street properties. This is also recorded in the 2007 amendments to the 2006-16 LTCCP.
6. In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002, Tuam 2 Ltd must have a statement of intent. At the same time, the statement of intent for Tuam Ltd has been amended to include changes to the role of the company as a result of the establishment of Tuam 2 Ltd.
7. It is also necessary for the Council to approve the proposed changes to the Boards of Directors of both companies.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. The matters referred to in this report reflect earlier resolutions of the Council and the provisions of the 2006-16 LTCCP.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

9. Tuam 2 Ltd has been established as a CCO pursuant to the requirements of Section 56 of the Local Government Act 2002. The Council is the sole shareholder and has the right to appoint the directors of the company.
10. The directors proposed for Tuam 2 Ltd have been identified in accordance with the Council's appointment and remuneration of directors' policy. They have agreed to their names being put forward for appointment to the Board. All nominees are currently directors of Christchurch City Facilities Ltd.
11. At its meeting on 8 June 2006, the Council authorised the General Manager Corporate Services to initiate the recruitment of directors for Tuam Ltd in accordance with the Council's policy on such appointments and with a view to appointing current directors of CCFL to the Board. The directors proposed for Tuam Ltd are current directors of CCFL and have agreed to their names being put forward for appointment.



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12. Tuam Ltd and Tuam 2 Ltd are required to have a statement of intent for the 2007/08 year. The form of the documents attached (Appendix 1) complies with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.
13. Tuam Ltd will no longer have responsibility for matters relating to the new civic building. These will in future be dealt with by Tuam 2 Ltd in accordance with recommendations to the Council set out in a further report to be considered at the same meeting as this report. As a result of this, there will be a rearrangement of existing capital and debt structures of the companies so that:
  - (a) the level of uncalled capital issued by Tuam Ltd is reduced from \$15m to \$5m; and
  - (b) Tuam 2 Ltd will issue \$10m of uncalled capital to the Council.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council resolve to:

- (a) Consent to the resignation of Tony Marryatt and Roy Baker as the interim directors of Tuam 2 Ltd.
- (b) Appoint the following directors to Tuam 2 Ltd, as set out in its Statement of Intent:

Bruce Robertson Irvine (Chairman)  
William Hanlin Johnstone  
David George Cox  
Christopher Keith Doig  
Dominique Fiona Dowding  
Simon George Mortlock  
Arthur James Keegan.
- (c) Consent to the resignation of Bob Lineham and Roy Baker as the interim directors of Tuam Ltd.
- (d) Appoint the following directors to Tuam Ltd as set out in its Statement of Intent:

Bruce Robertson Irvine (Chairman)  
William Hanlin Johnstone  
David George Cox  
Christopher Keith Doig  
Dominique Fiona Dowding  
Simon George Mortlock  
Arthur James Keegan.
- (e) Approve the Statements of Intent for Tuam Ltd and Tuam 2 Ltd for the 2007/08 year.

**9. CHRISTCHURCH CITY NETWORKS LTD - AMENDED STATEMENT OF INTENT**

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	Peter Mitchell, General Manager +, DDI 941-8549
<b>Author:</b>	Peter Mitchell

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The Council has received information from the Chief Executive of Christchurch City Holdings Ltd regarding an amendment, which has been approved by Christchurch City Holdings Ltd, to the 2008 Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Networks Ltd.
2. This report is for information only for the Council.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. Attached is a report from the Chief Executive of Christchurch City Holdings Ltd which sets out the background to the amended statement of Intent. (Appendix 1)
4. As Christchurch City Holdings Ltd (by agreement with the Council) has the role, under the Local Government Act 2002, of providing comments to Christchurch City Networks Ltd regarding the amendments to the Statement of Intent, the Council's role is to receive, for information, this report from Christchurch City Holdings Ltd.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council receive the amended Statement of Intent for Christchurch City Networks Ltd for the year ending 30 June 2008.

**10. REPORT OF THE HAGLEY PARK/BOTANIC GARDENS HEARINGS SUBCOMMITTEE**

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager City Environment, DDI 941-8656
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Manager, Transport and Greenspace
<b>Author:</b>	Derek Roozen, Parks and Waterways Planner

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to present to Council the findings of the Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Hearings Subcommittee and to recommend that the Council approve the adoption of the Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan and the Hagley Park and Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plans, including the changes recommended by the Hearings Subcommittee, as the operative plans, pursuant to Section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002 and, in the case of the management plans, Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. On 20 July 2006 the Council granted approval for the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan, the draft Hagley Park and Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plans to be released for public comment. It also resolved that submissions on the draft plans be heard by the full Council.
3. Public consultation on the draft plans commenced on 19 August 2006, with the closing date for submissions being 25 October 2006. From a total of 597 submissions received, 101 submitters indicated that they wished to be heard.
4. On 16 November 2006 the Council revoked its decision of 20 July 2006 that required the submissions to be heard by the full Council. It also resolved that a Hearings Subcommittee comprising the following Councillors be appointed for the purpose of hearing the submissions and reporting back to the Council with recommendations:
  - The Mayor (Garry Moore)
  - Councillor Helen Broughton
  - Councillor Graham Condon
  - Councillor Barry Corbett
  - Councillor Anna Crighton (withdrawn)
  - Councillor Carole Evans
  - Councillor Bob Parker
  - Councillor Bob Shearing
  - Councillor Norm Withers
5. The Hearings Subcommittee (with an apology received from Councillor Crighton, who withdrew from the subcommittee prior to the hearing) convened on 11 and 15 December 2006. Seventy submitters attended to be heard (34 on the first day and 36 on the second). The Mayor was appointed as chairperson. Notes of the hearing are attached as Appendix 1. Documents comprising supporting information provided by the submitters being heard and the submissions analysis report are tabled.
6. The Hearings Subcommittee reconvened on four separate occasions (see Table 1), including an on-site visit, to consider its response to the written and oral submissions and make recommendations to Council, which are presented in this report.

**Table 1: Meetings of the Hearings Subcommittee**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
2 April 2007	First meeting to receive the minutes of the hearing, consider submission analysis results and formulate recommendations.	Apology for absence received from Councillor Evans.
30 April 2007	Second meeting to consider issues raised at the first meeting.	Apology for absence received from Councillor Condon.
19 May 2007	Hagley Park site inspection.	
25 June 2007	Fourth meeting to finalise recommendations.	All

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**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. There are a number of significant costs that are associated with the projects identified in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan. A few of these are included in the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 and are either:
  - (a) directly related to the planning for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens;
  - (b) completed (for example, installation of the Peace Bell in the Botanic Gardens); or
  - (c) are separately approved major projects, such as the Blenheim Road deviation (now completed) and the Western Interceptor sewer line, which are within or in the vicinity of Hagley Park or the Botanic Gardens.
8. Some of the significant master plan projects are referred to below. The Council, though, is only being asked at this point to adopt the draft master plan and draft management plans for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens as the operative plans. The full financial impacts of the master plan projects will then need to be presented to the Council as part of the considerations of the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2009-19, along with other projects.
9. The most significant cost is that associated with master plan projects 6, 37 and 38 (redevelopment of the visitor and operational facilities, and associated circulation, in the Botanic Gardens), for which funding of \$11.1 million has been provided in the Long-Term Council Community Plan from 2008 to 2010. Other master plan projects proposed to be also covered, or mostly covered, by this funding are Projects 20 (Armagh Street entrance design and redevelopment), 49 (bonsai collection rehousing), 52 (retailing, information centre and catering building/facility needs in the Botanic Gardens) and 55 (building/facilities associated with development of a science and research facility/programme in the Botanic Gardens).
10. The Hearings Subcommittee has recommended that consideration be given to the visitor and operational facilities that are proposed to be built in the Botanic Gardens being built in a way which will enable the facilities to achieve a 6 Star Green Star NZ Certified Rating, signifying 'World Leadership' in environmental building development (design, fit-out and operation). Green Star NZ is New Zealand's first comprehensive environmental rating system for buildings, adapted from the Australian Green Star rating system.
11. The Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Hearings Subcommittee recommends that the Council support the detailed investigation and implementation of the projects referred to above, and that this be centred on certain elements of Concept 1 as presented in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan (Page 123). One key element is the proposal for two new bridges, which are supported in the public submission response:
  - (a) A combined pedestrian and vehicle access bridge from the Armagh Street driveway in North Hagley Park across the Avon River to the recommended site for the proposed facilities to be built in the Botanic Gardens. This bridge will negate the necessity for service vehicles to drive through the Botanic Gardens.
  - (b) A pedestrian bridge across the Avon River from the Daffodil Woodland area in Hagley Park to a point between the Archery Lawn and the Armstrong Lawn in the Gardens. This bridge will serve to enhance walking opportunities in this part of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens and provide better linkage with the hospital area.

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12. The cost of these proposed two bridges will be additional to what is covered by the budgeted redevelopment funding for the Botanic Gardens of \$11.1 million. No cost estimate was specified in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan for new bridges and detailed investigation will be required, as part of master plan Project 6 that is recommended by the Hearings Subcommittee to be investigated further, to develop a firm estimate of costs for bridge design and construction.
13. Another significant cost raised in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan is tree replacement (Project 9 (Tree replacement)). Funding of \$11.4 million has been provided in the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 for necessary replacement of 1% of the city's old trees each year over the next ten years. It is not specified in the Long-Term Council Community Plan what proportion of this is allocated to the Botanic Gardens and Hagley Park, or any other park for that matter. It is identified in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan that 1,000 trees need to be replaced in the Botanic Gardens and Hagley Park over the next fifteen years at an estimated cost of \$150,000 per annum. If approved by the Council, this will equate to \$1.5 million over ten years or 13% of the tree renewal budget. The Council should note that the Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Hearings Subcommittee's recommendation is to adopt Project 9, subject to there being a review and update of annual costs and rates of tree replacement, and of the species used, and also for a change in focus for the project from 'tree replacement' to 'sustainable and healthy trees management'.
14. Costs currently not included in the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 will also arise from implementation of other projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan in the event the Council adopts them as part of the Long-Term Council Community Plan. They will need to be considered as part of the preparation of the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2009-19.
15. These other projects are recommended to the Council for adoption as part of the master plan, because they received support from submitters. Some of them will contribute, alongside the primary projects for redevelopment of the visitor and operational facilities in the Botanic Gardens, to raising the status of the Botanic Gardens to an internationally accepted level for a true botanic garden by the time of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Botanic Gardens, which is to be celebrated in 2013.
16. Several other master plan projects, such as enhancement of Avon River tributary waterways in Hagley Park (Project 36), which will have significant implementation costs, are recommended to be investigated further before a decision on implementation is made. Therefore, other than investigation costs, no costs arising from implementation of these projects will result from the Council's adoption of the recommendations contained within this report.

**Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?**

17. Recommendations in this report for implementation of the projects relating to new/redeveloped visitor and operational facilities in the Botanic Gardens (Projects 37 and 38, other than the recommendation to seek a "6 green star" environmental building rating) and tree replacement in Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens (Project 9) align with the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 budgets.
18. Other projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan recommended in this report for adoption do not align with the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16, because they have not been previously raised for inclusion in the Long-Term Council Community Plan. The master plan is the appropriate vehicle to contain these potential projects and, once adopted by Council, will be considered as part of the preparation of the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2009-19 or a subsequent version of the Long-Term Council Community Plan.

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19. Further projects in the draft master plan that do not align with the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 budgets, such as the proposed South Hagley Park stormwater treatment concept (Project 35) and future alternative use of the netball facilities in South Hagley Park (Project 29), have been recommended in this report for further investigation. There are, therefore, no cost implications for these arising from the Council's adoption of these recommendations.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

20. Owing to the classification of the parcels of land that make up Hagley Park as recreation reserves under the Reserves Act 1977, the Hagley Park Management Plan is required to be reviewed under section 41 of this Act. Subsection 6 of this section specifies a public consultation procedure to be followed in the review of the plan, which has been implemented. Furthermore, as the Hagley Park area is vested with the Christchurch City Council (as provided for under section 5 subsection 1 of the Christchurch City (Reserves) Empowering Act 1971), the approval of the plan by the Minister of Reserves is not required, as stated in section 41 subsection 13 of the Reserves Act.
21. The Botanic Gardens is classified as a Local Purpose (Botanic Gardens) Reserve under the Reserves Act 1977. There is no requirement for a management plan to be prepared for the Botanic Gardens under section 41 of the Act. A management plan has previously been prepared for the Botanic Gardens as if it was a reserve subject to this section of the Act. Therefore, it has been necessary for the current review of the management plan for the Botanic Gardens to follow the same statutory procedure as for the Hagley Park Management Plan.
22. The preparation of the new Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan is also not subject to section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977. Yet, it covers reserves for which management plans have been prepared and reviewed under this section of the Act. Due to this, but also to achieve an integration of planning, a consistency of consideration by the public and economy of scale cost savings, the Council previously deemed it appropriate to process the three plans together. In addition, there are Hagley Park projects identified in the draft master plan, such as the proposed extension to the Model Yacht Club building in North Hagley Park, that are required to be also addressed in the Hagley Park Management Plan.
23. Notwithstanding the section 41, Reserves Act 1977, management plan review requirements, all three plans were publicly consulted on in accordance with the special consultative procedure provisions of the Local Government Act 2002.
24. The Hearings Subcommittee has delegated authority, under the Council's Hearings Panels Reserves Act 1977 delegations, to hear and determine submissions and objections in relation to the preparation, review and change of management plans for reserves, pursuant to section 41 of the Reserves Act. As the submissions and objections have been heard and determined by the Hearings Subcommittee under this delegated authority, the Council cannot make any further amendments to the plans.

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

25. There are no legal implications arising from the Council's adoption of the three plans in question, as the plans have been prepared and reviewed in accordance with the relevant sections of the Reserves Act 1977 and, in particular, sections 17 (referring to classification as a recreation reserve) and 41 (specifying the process of preparation of a management plan) of this Act.

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**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

26. The Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 acknowledges the feedback received from Christchurch residents on the draft Long-Term Council Community Plan, and especially of the strong attachment residents have for the city's parks and gardens. It refers (Page 17) to one of the major projects in the years ahead being the work that will be undertaken following the completion of the planning for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens. Reference is particularly made to the allocation of funds for a new visitors' centre and operational facilities and the desire for this to be ready in time for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Botanic Gardens in 2013.

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?**

27. The replacement of the Botanic Gardens visitors' centre and upgrade of staff facilities is a major capital project in the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16 (Page 83). Funding of \$11.1 million has been provided for this from 2008 to 2010.
28. The programme for tree replacement in Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens is part of a major capital project of tree renewal, involving replacement of many of the city's old trees over the next ten years. Funding of \$11.4 million has been provided for that period.
29. The other recommendations of this report do not relate to a specific project in the Long-Term Council Community Plan, but are for proposed planning and development to enhance the level of service that is able to be provided by Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens, and especially that provided by the Botanic Gardens as the Sesquicentennial (150<sup>th</sup> anniversary) of its beginnings approaches in 2013. These recommendations generally support the levels of service in the Long-Term Council Community Plan (Pages 123-128) for maintaining and improving parks, open space and waterways assets, of which Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens, along with the Avon River and its tributaries running through this area, are arguably the city's premier ones.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

30. Overlying strategies include the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy and the draft Biodiversity Strategy. The Open Space Strategy is in preparation. The draft plans for Hagley Park and the Christchurch Botanic Gardens align with these. The draft plans contribute to the planning for enriching peoples' lifestyles through the provision of quality multi-functional public open space in the city and enhancing environments through provision of areas to foster biodiversity and ecosystems (Pages 47-49 and 69-72, Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy).
31. Other Council strategies pertinent to Hagley Park include the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy 2002, draft Christchurch Visitor Strategy 2007-17, draft Christchurch Events Strategy 2007-17, City Wide Planting Strategy and the Waterways and Wetlands Natural Asset Management Strategy.
32. External strategies relevant to the Botanic Gardens include the International Agenda for Botanic Gardens in Conservation published by Botanic Gardens Conservation International in 2000 (replacing The Botanic Gardens Conservation Strategy produced by the IUCN Botanic Gardens Conservation Secretariat in 1989).

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

33. The recommendations of this report are about improving the value and management of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens so that these places best meet the purposes they are used for. In other words, the recommendations are about ensuring effective and relevant plans are in place for the Council to be confident Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens are providing the public with the best opportunities for outdoor recreation, enjoyment and learning in a quality open space environment into the future. These outcomes contribute to the goals and objectives of Council strategies that promote the provision of open space, plantings, natural environments, recreation and public events.

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34. The recommendations pertaining to the draft master plan projects serve to ensure that ongoing investigation and work on these projects is appropriate for these projects to achieve the best possible future results for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens in terms of their contribution to the city's open space/recreation outcomes.
35. The recommendations for adjustment to the two draft management plans before adoption are to ensure that these plans are at their optimum in terms of being up-to-date and relevant in their provision of policy to ensure the best management of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens so that these places can best contribute to the achievement of the desired open space/recreation outcomes for the city.
36. Those recommendations that are specifically to do with the planning for the Botanic Gardens are to ensure this planning best achieves the Botanic Gardens' alignment with the international strategies that set the criteria for an internationally recognised botanic garden.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

37. A stakeholder/interested party list was notified of the pending consultation on planning for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens. This included Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and the Department of Conservation.
38. Two periods of public consultation have been undertaken during the process of review and preparation of the three draft plans. These were in the latter parts of 2004 and 2006, with some submitters being heard by the Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Hearings Subcommittee, set up by the Council following the second round of consultation.
39. All community boards were engaged through being invited to attend a joint Council/Board/staff seminar on 18 July 2006 and provided with copies of the draft plans prior to commencement of the second consultation. The boards were invited to lodge submissions.

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE HAGLEY PARK/BOTANIC GARDENS HEARINGS SUBCOMMITTEE**

The Hearings Subcommittee recommends that the Council:

- (a) Adopt the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan August 2006, with the changes recommended by the Subcommittee listed (d) to (n) below, as the operative plan.
- (b) Adopt the draft Hagley Park Management Plan August 2006, with the changes recommended by the Subcommittee listed (o) to (s) below, as the operative plan.
- (c) Adopt the draft Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan August 2006, with the changes recommended by the Subcommittee listed (t) to (u) below, as the operative plan.
- (d) Adopt the following projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan for inclusion in the adopted plan:
  - (i) **Project 1 (Artworks in Hagley Park and the Gardens).**
  - (ii) **Project 2 (Environmental audit/implementation).**
  - (iii) **Project 3 (Events and exhibitions strategy).**
  - (iv) **Project 4 (Finance and income strategy).**
  - (v) **Project 5 (Heritage conservation plan).**
  - (vi) **Project 7 (Marketing strategy).**



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- (vii) **Project 8 (Monitoring and feedback on public use/satisfaction).**
  - (viii) **Project 10 (Water conservation).**
  - (ix) **Project 11 (Wildlife and habitat conservation plan).**
  - (x) **Project 14 (Landscape conservation).**
  - (xi) **Project 15 (Park Terrace landscaping).**
  - (xii) **Project 20 (Armagh Street entrance improvements).**
  - (xiii) **Project 21 (Extension of model yacht club building).**
  - (xiv) **Project 39 (Botanic Gardens biosecurity policy).**
  - (xv) **Project 41 (Collection revitalisation for the Botanic Gardens).**
  - (xvi) **Project 42 (Development of collections database).**
  - (xvii) **Project 43 (Education programme enhancement).**
  - (xviii) **Project 44 (Gondwana Garden).**
  - (xix) **Project 45 (New collections for the Botanic Gardens).**
  - (xx) **Project 48 (Redevelop Botanic Gardens/Museum interface).**
  - (xxi) **Project 49 (Re-house the bonsai collection).**
  - (xxii) **Project 50 (Restoration/conservation of the Magnetic Observatory workshop).**
  - (xxiii) **Project 51 (Restore Cockayne Garden/redevelop New Zealand section).**
  - (xxiv) **Project 54 (Satellite gardens ('extended botanical garden')).**
- (e) Adopt, subject to identified modifications or qualifications, the following projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan for inclusion in the adopted plan:
- (i) **Project 9 (Sustainable and Healthy Tree Plan)**

Complete a plan to ensure the maintenance of sustainable and healthy trees for up to twenty years for Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens, which links with city-wide tree policies and tree renewal programmes that are underway or being developed. In the project description, replace references to "tree replacement" and "Tree Replacement Programme" with "sustainable and healthy trees management" and "Sustainable and Healthy Tree Plan", respectively. In addition, remove Plan 9a (Hagley Park Tree Replacement) and Plan 9b (Botanic Gardens Life Expectancy of Trees). Review and update annual costs and rates of tree replacement and species used.
  - (ii) **Project 40 (Children's Garden)**

Locate alongside the existing children's playground in the Botanic Gardens.
  - (iii) **Project 52 (Retailing, information centre and catering needs)**

Link with Project 38 (Botanic Gardens/Hagley Park visitor/information centre).

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(iv) **Project 53 (Review of governance and audit processes)**

Note that benefits would arise from a shared professorial position with the University of Canterbury to fill the Botanic Gardens' curator vacancy. The appointee should have a mix of technical, academic and professional skills. Consult with the respective Directors of the Wuhan Botanical Garden in China and the University of Washington Botanic Gardens in Seattle on the skills required for such a role. The position should be advertised by summer.

Enhance the governance of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens through the establishment of an advisory group to advise on the care of these places.

(v) **Project 55 (Science and research facility)**

Work with university and research institutes in Canterbury (for example, Landcare Research, University of Canterbury, Lincoln University and Crop & Food Research) to appropriately develop research capability in the Botanic Gardens without unnecessary duplication.

- (f) Support the detailed further investigation of the following projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan, subject to sections (g), (h) and (i) below, and include in the adopted plan:

(i) **Project 6 (Landscape and circulation)**

(ii) **Project 37 (Botanic Gardens operational facilities)**

(iii) **Project 38 (Botanic Gardens/Hagley Park visitor/information centre)**

- (g) Adopt Concept 1 in Appendix 4 (Page 123) of the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan as the starting point for further planning, investigation and consultation on the redevelopment of the Christchurch Botanic Gardens.

- (h) Support further consideration for development of the following elements of Concept 1:

(i) New/redeveloped visitor/information and operational facilities (supported to be a building complex that can achieve a 6 Star Green Star NZ Certified Rating, to be designed by competition and referred to, initially at least, as the "Botanic Gardens Centre"), located at the existing works and nursery site in the Botanic Gardens.

(ii) A new combined pedestrian and vehicle access bridge across the Avon River directly to the above site from the Armagh Street driveway in North Hagley Park, which will remove the need for service vehicles to drive through the Botanic Gardens.

(iii) A new pedestrian bridge across the Avon River from the Woodland area in Hagley Park to a point between the Archery Lawn and the Armstrong Lawn in the Gardens.

- (i) Not support further consideration for development of the following elements of Concept 1, removing them from the operative plan:

(i) A new formal entrance off Rolleston Avenue directly in front of the Peacock Fountain.

(ii) Development of new major pedestrian routes in the gardens, other than those necessary changes to circulation and landscaping associated with section (h) above and other master plan projects for the gardens approved by Council.

(iii) A new children's playground located by Victoria Lake.

(iv) Re-development of the Botanic Gardens based on a conceptual theme involving the superimposing of the plan of London's St Pauls Cathedral.

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- (j) Support the detailed investigation of the following projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan, and include in the operative plan:

(i) **Project 13 (Riccarton Avenue 'Park road')**

Request staff to investigate, in the context of the City Transport Network, options to slow traffic on Riccarton Avenue and undertake an urban design assessment for this road. An option supported is the development of a planted median strip to enhance the amenity of the avenue and improve the linkage between North and South Hagley Parks.

(ii) **Project 16 (Road adjustments)**

Review current needs and requirements for road adjustments around Hagley Park.

With respect to developments associated with the Blenheim Road deviation, provide for:

- Car parking on the Hagley Park side of Deans Avenue between Blenheim Road and Moorhouse Avenue, and identify in the Hagley Park Management Plan that this area of legal road is an addition to the area that is held as Hagley Park and is to be used for park purposes, including the parking of vehicles of park users. To note that this is the first time since 1895, when a legal road along the inside of what is now the northern boundary of Little Hagley Park was closed and included in the Park by Schedule of the Public Domains Amendment Act 1895, that land has been added to Hagley Park (see sections 43 and 44 of this report).
- A pedestrian/cycle way from the Blenheim Road/Mandeville Street intersection to South Hagley Park.

(iii) **Project 17 (Rolleston Avenue enhancement)**

Consider development alternatives to Options 1-3 (less vehicle traffic on the section of Rolleston Avenue between Gloucester and Hereford Streets (Option 1), and removal (Option 2) or narrowing (Option 3) of car parking on this section of road) to enhance the pedestrian linkage between the Botanic Gardens/Museum and the Arts Centre/Worcester Boulevard.

(iv) **Project 18 (Park building removal)**

Consider further the merits or otherwise of removing the following three buildings and any others in Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens that may be deemed obsolete and no longer required.

- Women's Hockey Club Rooms.
- Hagley Oval storage building.
- Ex-Canterbury Rugby Football Union changing sheds.

Remove from consideration for removal the following two buildings:

- Ex-North Hagley Bowls Club building.
- Ex-caretaker's house at 6 Riccarton Avenue.

(v) **Project 22 (Ex-bowls club building)**

Investigate options and costs for restoration of the ex-bowls club building. Remove part of the boundary hedge and reinstate part of the grounds as park open space, in consultation with the grounds' users. Look at changing the configuration of the petanque green(s).

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(vi) **Project 23 (House - 6 Riccarton Avenue)**

With respect to the ex-caretaker's house and grounds, replace all references to "4 Riccarton Avenue" with "6 Riccarton Avenue". Assess the prospects for these to be used as a garden/orchard for public demonstration/teaching purposes by the Canterbury Horticultural Society, including the possibility of the society developing a new green building on the site, with the possible involvement of the Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology to assist the facilitation of the development.

(vii) **Project 24 (Hospital parking on Hagley Park)**

Notify the Canterbury District Health Board of the Council's wish to reclaim the part of Hagley Park currently used for hospital car parking for park outdoor recreation purposes. Discuss with the Board feasible win-win solutions for the park and the hospital, including land exchange options. Re-write the project description (and re-name) to accommodate this.

(viii) **Project 28 (Rugby club use of toilet/shelter block)**

Assess necessity and appropriateness of the proposed development of the existing toilet and shelter block in North Hagley Park opposite Ayr Street. Consideration of the proposal only supported on the basis that, if approved, any extension is minor, the public continues to have access to the toilets and shelter, and the cost of the development is met by the proposer.

(ix) **Project 29 (Alternative use of the netball facilities)**

Discuss with the Canterbury Netball Association possible future outcomes for the Netball Centre and courts in South Hagley Park.

(x) **Project 30 (Canterbury Horticultural Society parking)**

Investigate benefits, costs and implications of diverting Addington Brook to allow vehicle access around the southern end of the Canterbury Horticultural Centre in South Hagley Park.

(xi) **Project 34 (Shift of High School Old Boys Rugby Club rooms to Hagley Oval)**

Investigate needs, public benefits and implications of permitting the co-location of the High School Old Boys' Rugby Club rooms with the High School Old Boys' Cricket Club in the Cricket Pavilion at the Hagley Oval, or for the Rugby Club to shift its rooms, as an alternative, to the Canterbury Horticultural Centre. Any resultant extension of the building footprint on Hagley Park would not be supported.

(xii) **Project 35 (South Hagley Park multipurpose stormwater treatment/wetland concept)**

Investigate further the costs/benefits/implications for development of a swale/permanent wet pond system in Area 1 (under the trees to the west of the Netball Centre car park in South Hagley Park).

(xiii) **Project 36 (Waterway enhancement)**

Investigate further the costs/benefits/implications for enhancement of waterway corridors, in particular Addington Brook and Riccarton Stream, passing through Hagley Park.

(xiv) **Project 46 (New conservatory complex)**

Consider the needs/costs/benefits for a new conservatory complex in the Gardens, including how this may tie in with the proposed Botanic Gardens facilities redevelopment, as well as possible alternatives.

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- (k) Decline to adopt the following projects in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan, remove them from the adopted plan and, where applicable, remove related references to them from the Hagley Park Management Plan and the Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan:

- (i) **Project 19 (Closure of Helmores Lane through Little Hagley Park)**
- (ii) **Project 25 (Pathway raising - North Hagley Park)**
- (iii) **Project 26 (Potential land exchange with the Canterbury District Health Board)**
- (iv) **Project 27 (Proposed golf course extension)**
- (v) **Project 31 (Hagley Oval fence)**
- (vi) **Project 32 (Proposed artificial hockey pitch)**
- (vii) **Project 56 (Helipad fence)**

Furthermore, that, firstly, the Canterbury District Health Board be advised of its responsibility to provide personnel to ensure public safety during each and every helicopter landing on the site and, secondly, be requested to provide a timeline for its planned removal of the helicopter landing site permanently from Hagley Park. In the interim, it is suggested that, in addition to the Board supplying security at the site during landings, the site user provide a safety plan for the site.

- (l) Remove the following projects as contained in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan from the adopted plan, because these are completed or being progressed, but support/endorse the following measures for the benefit of Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens and users:

- (i) **Project 12 (Blenheim Road deviation)**

Refer to section (j) (ii) above.

- (ii) **Project 33 (Sewer line - South Hagley Park)**

Require minimisation of adverse development effects by:

- Adopting a high standard of site reinstatement.
- Careful management of under waterway crossings.
- Ensuring minimal impact on tree roots.

- (iii) **Project 47 (Peace Bell installation)**

- (m) Amend text as contained in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan and include in the adopted plan (shaded text to be added where underlined):

- (i) **Project 3 (Events and exhibitions strategy)**

*Policy and consequential practice needs to take account of present and future planning, including how it fits within the Council's overall priorities and programmes, parking and entry needs, public safety issues, sustainability of turf and other soft landscape requirements, and in meeting the needs of all users of the Park and Gardens.*

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(ii) **Project 7 (Marketing strategy)**

*The Park and Gardens should include strategic marketing within future planning and/or working practice. It should include the following point:*

- *The core business elements for the Park and Gardens will recognize the Park's and Gardens standing as a top City centre attraction, a centre for botanical and horticultural excellence, and a major green recreational space for city users.*

- (n) Remove from the operative plan the following content as contained in the draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan:

(i) **Appendix 4 (Concepts)**

Remove all of Appendix 4 and delete references to Appendix 4 and the three site concept options in Projects 6, 37 and 38.

- (o) Reinststate in the operative plan the following content that is deleted in the draft Hagley Park Management Plan:

(i) **With respect to references to "landscape character"**

Reinststate the word "*English*" wherever it precedes and is associated with the words "*landscape character*" and has been deleted in the draft Hagley Park Management Plan.

- (p) Make the following changes to the draft Hagley Park Management Plan before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **With respect to references to "*English landscape character*" as reinstated by Recommendation (l)**

Replace all occurrences of "*English landscape character*" with "*English heritage style landscape character*".

(ii) **Following Landscape Policy 1.1 (Page 63)**

Insert "Comment: "*English heritage style landscape character*" is used in this management plan to describe the particular landscape character<sup>1</sup> of Hagley Park as reflecting a form derived from one or more models of park design in vogue in England at the time of settlement of Christchurch and development of the Park.

*The character of Hagley Park has changed from its early days, when it was first an undeveloped area of sand dunes, scrub and swamp (containing over seventy species of native plants), with creeks feeding to the Otakaro (Avon River); then one featuring shingle pits, meadows, sheep and cattle, crops, nursery trees and plantations; to the formal, developed one that it is today, with open, mown grass areas framed by avenues of specimen trees.*

Note:

<sup>1</sup> "**Landscape** is about the relationship between people and place. It provides the setting for our day-to-day lives." ... "It results from the way that different components of our environment - both natural (the influences of geology, soils, climate, flora and fauna) and cultural (the historical and current impact of land use, settlement, enclosure and other human interventions) - interact together and are perceived by us. This is not just about visual perception, or how we see the land, but also how we hear, smell and feel our surroundings, and the feelings, memories or associations that they evoke. **Landscape character**, which is the pattern that arises from particular combinations of the different components, can provide a sense of place to our surroundings." (from: *Landscape Character Assessment - Guidance For England And Scotland*. Prepared on behalf of The Countryside Agency and Scottish Natural Heritage by Carys Swanwick (Department of Landscape, University of Sheffield) and Land Use Consultants, 2002; pages 2-3).

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(q) Amend text in the draft Hagley Park Management Plan (shaded text to be added where underlined and deleted where struck through) before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **Fifth bullet point of key elements of the vision for the Park (Page 1)**

- The Park is managed to enhance indigenous wildlife values and provide habitat for indigenous biodiversity.

(ii) **Fourth bullet point of the Summary Landscape section (Page 6)**

- ~~Underpinning all objectives and policies of this plan is the overriding theme that~~ The "English" woodland and open space character of Hagley Park shall be protected and enhanced has been the theme, but there should also be representation of a more New Zealand landscapes.

(iii) **Third bullet point of the Summary Vegetation section (Page 7)**

- ~~Replacement trees shall be of European origin species that serve to ensure that a prominent element of the Park landscape and vista the retains an "English" heritage style parkland character is protected.~~

(iv) **Landscape Objective 1 (Page 63)**

*Objective 1*

(a) To protect the "English" heritage style landscape character, atmosphere and scenic amenity of Hagley Park and promote this as the a major objective of the plan.

~~(b) To acknowledge the value brought about by the original designers in creating a park based on an "English parkland" design and the original English heritage of the city by retaining an overall character that includes the reflection of this heritage.~~

~~(b) Ensure retention and maintenance of the landscape features of the Park, reflecting the city's heritage, whilst also seeking, where appropriate, To also develop, where appropriate, features that reflect represent New Zealand's special landscapes character.~~

(r) Remove from the draft Hagley Park Management Plan before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **From throughout the plan**

Remove DRAFT PLAN STATUS box on Page 1 and all shaded text in the document.

(s) Amend text in the draft Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan (shaded text to be added where underlined) before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **Goals (Page 46)**

**Primary Goal:**

To promote understanding and appreciation of the world's flora, and its botanical and horticultural attributes and uses, including of Southern Hemisphere plants.

**Secondary Goals:**

10. To promote and display plants for their horticultural importance and uses, including their use in residential and other amenity gardens.

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- (t) Reinstatement text in the draft Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan (shaded text to be reinstated) before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **Fronts to be achieved (Page 47)**

**C. Botanics:** *The Gardens botanical qualities will be enhanced with policies that outline the exact purpose for which plant collections are held. There are several main botanical improvements proposed. These include:*

- (i) an increase in Southern Hemisphere plants (Canterbury Section, New Zealand Alpine extension, Southern Hemisphere-Gondwana display);*
- (ii) geographic area habitat plantings [wildflowers];*
- (iii) ethnobotanical / cultural developments (Asian ethnobotanical development and uses of New Zealand plants by Maori); and*
- (ii) initiation of a Tree Planting and Replacement Programme. Approximately forty percent of tree planting in the Gardens will be organised geographically.*

*E. To make this a reality it is proposed that the plan's Southern Hemisphere / Canterbury emphasis be give a local application through information links to the City's natural heritage parks system.*

(ii) **Existing Science and Research Policies 8.1 and 8.4 (Page 51)**

*8.1 The Gardens shall be a member of the Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI).*

*8.4 The Gardens shall investigate the setting up of a tissue culture propagation unit for the proposed new potting shed to complement the above research functions.*

*Comment: Horticultural research should aim to promote New Zealand and especially Canterbury flora of horticultural significance, and exotic plants of special significance that may have economic potential. Assistance may be required from institutions such as Landcare NZ, University of Canterbury and Lincoln University in the setting up and management of Gardens' research projects.*

(iii) **Existing Objective 31 (Page 64)**

*Canterbury native river margin and dry land plants (Geographic/Ecological)*

*Objective 31*

*To display representative examples of Canterbury native river margin plants on the Hagley Park side of the south west bend of the Avon River, and Canterbury dryland plants on the drier slope above the river bank.*

*Comment: The Hagley Park side of the south west bend of the Avon River is exactly opposite the New Zealand Section in the Gardens proper and has been naturally colonised by native sedge species. Kowhais have also been planted on the southern river bank. It is considered appropriate to extend the New Zealand planting to the Riccarton Avenue side of the river. However, as this is one of the few places from where views of the interior of the Gardens can be gained from Riccarton Avenue it is important that planting does not block key sightlines.*

(iv) **Existing Policy 31.3 (Page 65)**

*31.3 A display of native Canterbury Plains' vegetation shall be established and maintained on a suitable river bank site between the Avon River and Riccarton Avenue.*

*Comment: This collection could display plants of the Canterbury grasslands, the Rakaia Island shrub forest or the original riverbank shrubland of Hagley Park.*



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(v) **Existing Policy 34.1 (Page 66)**

~~34.1 Native plants shall be planted in the Avon River corridor and in wetter marshy areas adjoining the river.~~

(u) Remove from the draft Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan before adoption as the operative plan:

(i) **Landscape design vision (Pages 127 - 138)**

Remove all.

(ii) **PART III (MANAGEMENT GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES)**

Remove Explanation box on Page 45 and all shaded text throughout PART III.

(iii) **PART IV (ISSUES AND ACTION PLAN)**

Remove Explanation box on Page 88.

(iv) **PART V (IMPLEMENTATION PLAN)**

Remove all.

(v) Implement the following and include in the relevant operative management plan:

(i) **Labelling of plants in the Botanic Gardens**

Request the Botanical Services Operations Team investigate new options for plant labelling in the Botanic Gardens, such as the use of bar codes on plant labels.

(ii) **Botanic Gardens shuttle**

Request staff to investigate the possible option of an interested organisation providing a shuttle facility in the Botanic Gardens at no cost to Council.

(iii) **Existing children's playground in the Botanic Gardens**

Enhance the existing children's playground in the Botanic Gardens.

(iv) **Helmores Lane bridge**

Suggest appropriate signage giving information on the historic nature of the Helmores Lane bridge be provided at the site.

(v) **Sensory Garden**

Investigate options for development of a sensory garden, which should be located near the hospital, but linked with other facilities in the Botanic Gardens, including the children's playground and related plant collections.

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**BACKGROUND (THE ISSUES)**

**Hagley Park Management Plan**

40. The currently operative version of the Hagley Park Management Plan was approved by the Council in 1991. Subsection 4 of section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977 requires the administering body of any reserve to keep its management plan under continuous review. The Department of Conservation's Guide for Reserve Administering Bodies, published in 2006, advises that, generally plans should be reviewed at a minimum of ten year intervals and need not involve a complete rewriting. The Hagley Park Management Plan, therefore, was considered to be well overdue for review. The need to review this plan was the initial driver for the planning that has been undertaken.
41. The existing management plan has been updated, with obsolete policy removed and new policy inserted. A vision statement and strategic objectives have been included, and the appendix section has been expanded.
42. There has been a relatively low level of comment arising from the public consultation on the draft plan, although there has been some strong, polarised views expressed by a few submitters on heritage landscape values versus contemporary landscape values of Hagley Park, and on native versus exotic plantings, in terms of how these should be addressed in the plan.
43. Late in the nineteenth century parts of Hagley Park were reallocated for uses other than for the recreation and enjoyment of the public, including for roads and a public hospital. Over the years, necessary widening of the Hagley, Rolleston and Harper Avenues has encroached on the Hagley Park area. More Hagley Park land has been taken for roundabouts at the Blenheim Road and Riccarton Road intersections with Deans Avenue. Little has been added to the Hagley Park area. A section of legal road adjacent to the Avon River, and along the inside of what is now the northern boundary of Little Hagley Park, was closed and included in Hagley Park by Schedule of the Public Domains Act 1881 Amendment Act 1895. This closure was approved by resolution of the Christchurch City Council in 1969.
44. More recently, subsequent to the 1991 adoption of the reviewed Hagley Park Management Plan as the operative plan, which included policy identifying the need for a shift, the boundary fence of South Hagley Park adjoining Hagley Avenue was moved back out to Hagley Park's legal boundary, thereby reclaiming Hagley Park land from use as road berm. As this was already legally Hagley Park land, it was technically not an addition to Hagley Park. Now, as a result of the developments associated with the Blenheim Road deviation, part of Deans Avenue between Blenheim Road and Moorhouse Avenue is being added to Hagley Park (although remaining as legal road) and redeveloped for Hagley Park purposes, including for the parking of vehicles of Hagley Park users. This will be described, and reflected on maps contained, in the new operative Hagley Park Management Plan.

**Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan**

45. The Christchurch Botanic Gardens Management Plan was last reviewed, updated and adopted by the Council as an operative plan in 1995. Although the reserve classification of the Botanic Gardens under the Reserves Act 1977 (Local Purpose (Botanic Garden) Reserve) means there is not a requirement to prepare a management plan for it under Section 41 of this Act, the decision then was, as well as now, to do so.

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46. Elements of work on a major strategic review of the Botanic Gardens led by the former curator, the late Dr David Given, are incorporated into a new part of the management plan. This is Part IV, an Issues and Actions Plan, which discusses the key issues and opportunities affecting the Botanic Gardens as it is planned for and managed into the future, and proposes possible solutions for future direction and development through a number of recommended strategic goals and actions.
47. The management goals, objectives and policies section of the management plan (Part III) are updated in the draft management plan. This includes removal of policies that are obsolete and relocation of policies that are more of an action than a policy statement to Part IV.
48. Due to the insertion of the new strategic review section into the draft management plan (Part IV), there is some overlap with other Parts and, in particular, with Part II (Issues and Opportunities). With the Council's adoption of the draft management plan, with changes, as the operative plan, work will need to proceed to address duplication in the plan and reflect, as necessary, actions in Part IV in new or adjusted policy in Part III, to then be proposed at the next plan review, which should be undertaken before the anniversary of the Botanic Gardens in 2013 (that is, within the next five years from August 2007). Also, at the time of that review, an Implementation Plan (Part V) should be proposed to be added to the management plan to detail, cost and programme proposed projects and developments arising from Part IV actions.

**Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan**

49. The draft Hagley Park/Botanic Gardens Master Plan is a completely new document. It has been developed out of the realisation that there is a need to better integrate the planning for the linked areas of Hagley Park, the Christchurch Botanic Gardens and the Avon River, as well as surrounding areas, in order to ensure the best long term public outcomes for the wider area. There is the opportunity for the Council, with this planning approach, to take a more multi-valued strategic, visionary and innovative stance in addressing the wide variety of development issues, needs and opportunities affecting, in particular, Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens.
50. A key driver for the development of the draft master plan has been to integrate these development issues, needs and opportunities into a planning context and to promote these for public comment. A significant example is the major capital project to replace the information centre and upgrade the operational facilities in the Botanic Gardens. They have all been identified as projects in Part B of the draft master plan. These projects have a range of statuses (including planning initiatives and already approved, as well as conceptual, developments) and scales (ranging from small, localised proposals to major developments potentially requiring significant investment).
51. Each project, if approved for further investigation or implementation, and depending on the scale, would be progressed separately by a dedicated project team. Other than already approved projects and ones accounted for in the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2006-16, such as the proposed new sewer line through South Hagley Park (Project 33), there are no commitments on the Council arising from the projects now. The financial implications of each would need to be considered as part of the Long-Term Council Community Plan 2009-19.

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52. The intention is for the draft master plan to be an overarching document that sets a vision and strategic direction for the future use and development of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens. It is not a plan that is required to be prepared and regularly updated according to statutory provisions, but links to the two management plans that are subject to such provisions under the Reserves Act 1977.
  
53. It is hoped that the draft master plan serves to be the vehicle that fosters a strategic, integrated and transparent approach to the ongoing planning for and appropriate development of Hagley Park and the Botanic Gardens. It is anticipated that well planned programmes for conservation, maintenance, improvement and development would follow on from adoption of this draft plan and that robust project management and monitoring is put in place to ensure the vision and management goals stated in the draft plan are met.

**11. VARIATION 4 TO THE PROPOSED NATURAL RESOURCES REGIONAL PLAN**

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<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Programme Manager- Healthy Environment
<b>Author:</b>	Jenny Ridgen, Principal Adviser – Natural Resources

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek retrospective adoption by the Council of the attached submission on Variation 4 to the Proposed Natural Resources Regional Plan (PNRRP). The submission was lodged with Environment Canterbury prior to the closing date of 3 August 2007.
2. For the Council to decide to either endorse or withdraw the submission.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. Environment Canterbury notified Variation 4 to the PNRRP on Saturday 23 June 2007. This variation affects PNRRP Chapter 5: Water Quantity. The Council made submissions on Chapters 4-8 of the PNRRP in December 2004 and hearings on parts of Chapter 5 have been held this year. The variation incorporates groundwater allocation limits for a number of groundwater zones into Schedule WQN4 and includes related amendments for implementing groundwater allocation. The submission period closed at 5 pm on Friday 3 August 2007.
4. The main impact of the variation is to change the total amount of water that can be abstracted (the allocation limit) for a number of groundwater zones throughout the region i.e. Selwyn-Waimakariri, Valetta, Mayfield-Hinds, Pareora, Makikihi, Waihao-Wainono and Waitaki. Small tracts of land on the periphery of the CCC boundary are located within the Selwyn-Waimakariri Zone. The total allocation limit for this zone has been reduced from 131.9 million m<sup>3</sup>/year to 121.3 million m<sup>3</sup>/year. Effective allocation currently stands at 133.37 million m<sup>3</sup>/year (120% of the allocation limit). This makes the Selwyn-Waimakariri Zone a “red” zone, meaning that groundwater is already fully allocated. Any application to take water from a fully allocated zone is a non-complying activity (Rule WQN22).
5. The key implication for the Christchurch community water supply is that it will be difficult to access water from the Selwyn-Waimakariri Zone, should additional water be required in the future. The submission includes a request to amend Rules WQN19, WQN20 and WQN22 to change the level of activity, from non-complying to restricted discretionary, when the taking of water from a fully allocated zone is for the purpose of group or community drinking water supply.
6. At this stage, no allocation limit has yet been set for the Christchurch Zone, which is the source of the city’s community drinking water supply. In the absence of an allocation limit, any application to take water from this zone is deemed to be non-complying (Rule WQN23). This means that any application for new wells in the Christchurch Zone will be a non-complying activity until an allocation limit has been set. ECan has indicated that the setting of an allocation limit is scheduled for 2009/2010. The submission includes a request to amend Rules WQN19, WQN20 and WQN23 to change the level of activity, from non-complying to restricted discretionary, when the taking of water from a zone for which no allocation limit has been set is for the purpose of group or community drinking water supply.
7. Other submissions include:
  - support for proposals to better provide for allocations for group and community drinking water supplies;
  - opposition to a change in the approach for setting allocation blocks, and to including the stream depletion effect in a surface water allocation block when it is also included in the groundwater allocation block; and
  - a variety of requests concerning the setting of restrictions and reviewing of water permits, in particular, that these provisions should only apply once the plan becomes operative.

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**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. While there is no guarantee that the submissions will be accepted, if successful the amendment sought would reduce the cost of preparing resource consent applications to take water for community supply. There are also implications for sourcing additional water for community supply in the future. Water sourced close to the city will be less expensive than that sourced from further afield, and the greater the RMA barrier, the more expensive the process of securing alternate supplies, should they be needed.

**Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?**

9. The cost of preparing and presenting submissions is covered by existing unit budgets.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

10. The RMA 1991 (First Schedule, Part 1 (6)) allows Council to make submissions on a variation to a regional plan.

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

11. A legal review of the submission has been carried out.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

12. Page 166 of the LTCCP includes the objective "To conserve and protect the long-term availability and quality of the city's water."

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?**

13. The submission aims to assist the Council in meeting demand for water supply at a reasonable cost and supports the levels of service for water supply set out on page 167 of the LTCCP.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

14. This submission supports work being done in preparation of a draft Water Supply Strategy.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

15. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

16. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council endorse the attached submission on Variation 4 to the PNRRP Chapter 5: Water Quantity.

**12. PLAN CHANGE 2 TO THE REGIONAL COASTAL ENVIRONMENT PLAN**

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<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Programme Manager- Healthy Environment
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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek adoption by the Council of the attached submission on Plan Change 2 to the Regional Coastal Environment Plan (RCEP).

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. Environment Canterbury notified Plan Change 2 to the RCEP on Saturday 23 June 2007. This Plan Change:
  - Makes the occupation of the coastal marine area by any Lawfully Established Structure (including swing moorings outside the swing mooring areas) a permitted activity subject to certain conditions;
  - Provides for owners of boatsheds in boatshed areas to have the explicit right to exclude other persons from the boatshed interior;
  - Defines Lawfully Established Structures and redefines Authorised Structures (i.e. as Lawfully Established Structures which also have occupancy rights).

The submission period closes at 5 pm on Friday 17 August 2007.

3. The main impact of the Plan Change for CCC is to provide a definition for Lawfully Established Structures (to include structures erected prior to the RCEP) and to make the occupation of the Coastal Marine Area (CMA) by such structures a permitted activity. It is estimated that there are 300 structures affected, which would otherwise require consents. Approximately 75 of these are owned or managed by CCC. Should resource consents be required for all these structures, the preparation of applications and processing of consents would be costly and time-consuming, with few, if any, environmental benefits. Many of these structures have been in place for a long time and the effects, if any, have been established for many years.
4. The attached submission reflects officers' concerns that providing proof or evidence that an existing structure was lawfully established can be problematic and in some cases is simply not possible. The main difficulty is that many structures at issue are very old. For many of these structures the record documenting the authorisations that enabled their construction is very poor. The Regional Council is now the local authority responsible for controlling activities in the coastal marine area that was previously controlled by other authorities, including harbour boards, under statutes such as the Harbours Act 1950. The Regional Council's records are not as complete as they could be. For this reason, the proposed amendment to rule 8.23 would place the burden on the Council as the owner of structures to prove a structure was lawfully established. This may be a very involved exercise, or simply not possible, if Regional Council records and other records are not complete.
5. For this reason, the submission suggests an amendment to the rule to make it less arduous on the City Council and other owners of structures to prove that a structure was lawfully established.
6. The coastal boundary can move as a result of accretion (gradual building up of the coastline) and erosion, both of which can occur naturally. Sea level rise will also affect coastal processes and result in further changes to the coastline. It is therefore reasonable to expect that over time some structures, which when initially built were outside the Coastal Marine Area, may as a result of erosion be judged to be within it at some later date. The present definition of Lawfully Established Structure does not take this scenario into account.

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7. The submission seeks to extend the definition of Lawfully Established Structures to include:

*“(e) a structure that at the time it was built either did not require, or had obtained appropriate permission, licence, permit, authority or resource consent because it was outside the Coastal Marine Area as defined by the current legislation operative at that time.”*

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. While there is no guarantee that the submissions will be accepted, if successful the amendments sought would significantly reduce compliance costs associated with proving permitted activity status for existing structures within the CMA.

**Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?**

9. The cost of preparing and presenting submissions is covered by existing unit budgets.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

10. The RMA (First Schedule, Part 1 (6)) allows Council to make submissions on changes to a Regional Plan.

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

11. A legal review of the submission has been carried out.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

12. Page 123 of the LTCCP (Parks, open space and waterways) includes management of coastal parks. In addition there are a number of structures associated with transport routes and wastewater disposal, covered by other sections of the LTCCP.

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?**

13. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

14. Not applicable.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

15. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

16. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council adopt the attached submission on Plan Change 2 to the Regional Coastal Environment Plan.



**13. ESTABLISHMENT OF EASEMENTS: UPPER WILDNERNESS DRAIN PROJECT**

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<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Transport and Greenspace Manager
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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to enable the Council to approve or otherwise a staff recommendation that by agreement with the property owners of 334, 336, and 342 Lyttelton Street the Council acquires easements to enable a stormwater main drain to be laid (refer attached plan). The required land, two parcels being approximately 30m<sup>2</sup>, and one parcel being 50m<sup>2</sup>, will be transferred to the Council through Memorandum of Transfers.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The timbered waterway, the Upper Wilderness Drain, which currently runs through residential properties from Edinburgh Street to Lincoln Road, is in a deteriorated state and in need of replacement and hydraulic improvement.
3. Pipe renewal in place of the timber waterway has been scheduled in the Capital Programme by the Transport and Greenspace Unit in the 2007/08 financial year.
4. Piping will be installed within the existing drain alignment, covered by a number of existing easements that run mainly along the rear, and in some cases, side boundaries of properties in Edinburgh Street, Lyttelton Street, Blakehall Place, and Lincoln Road. Whilst easements exist at 334 and 336 Lyttelton Street the Council needs to acquire additional complementary easements on each property of a width of 2.0 metres each to enable the intended stormwater drain of 1.0 to 1.2 metre diameter pipe to be accommodated, and to also enable construction corridor access and alignment of the intended drain. A new easement of 3.0 metres width will also need to be established at 342 Lyttelton Street, as no easement currently exists to enable laying of the drain.
5. Agreement has been reached by the Council with the property owners of 334, 336, and 342 Lyttelton Street, with the Council agreeing to undertake any restoration works. Intended restoration works have been conveyed to the property owners in writing. The owners of the properties have not indicated they seek compensation from the Council to obtain easements and have property rights over their land.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6. The funding is being provided from the Transport and Greenspace Capital Programme. Specifically \$1,375,000 in 2007/08 from Utility Waterway Relining – Upper Wilderness Drain.

**Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?**

7. Yes. Funding is provided from within the Transport and Greenspace Capital Programme in the 2006-16 LTCCP.

**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

8. The legal implications of the proposal have been considered. Delegated authority for a decision to approve or otherwise the Council obtaining the subject lands by Memorandum of Transfers, approximately 30m<sup>2</sup> from Lot 2 DP 8394, 334 Lyttelton Street, approximately 30m<sup>2</sup> from Lot 3 DP 8394, 336 Lyttelton Street, and approximately 51 m<sup>2</sup> from Part Lot 2 DP 2292, 342 Lyttelton Street, rests with the Council under the general governance provisions of the Local Government Act 2002. The Council's Corporate Support Manager or Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board do not have delegated authority to make this decision.

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**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

9. LTCCP 2006-16

**Parks, Open Spaces and Waterways – Page 123**

Waterways and land Drainage

The Council provides and operates the city's stormwater system, manages the waterways into which it discharges and it protects and enhances the life-supporting capacity of the city's waterways and wetlands.

**Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?**

10. Yes. Specifically \$1,400,000 in 2007/08 from Utility Waterway Relining – Upper Wilderness Drain.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

11. **Supports Councils Strategic Direction – Healthy Environment**

Goal 3 – Manage water and land drainage systems efficiently, and contribute towards landscape, ecology, recreation, heritage and cultural values.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

12. Yes as above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

13. All property owners whose properties will be affected by the laying of the stormwater drain, or whose properties border existing easements, have been written to, and provided with a comment form. The Council has indicated to affected property owners the restoration works intended, and oral and written comments received by the report authors have all been positive. All written comments received will assist project implementation.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council approve the acquisition of easements over 334, 336 and 342 Lyttelton Street as generally outlined in this report.

**14. REPORT OF THE AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 2 MAY 2007**

Attached.

**15. REPORT OF THE AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 27 JUNE 2007**

Attached.

**16. JOINT REPORT BY THE CHAIRMEN OF THE AKAROA/WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD AND  
LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD**

Attached.

**17. REPORT OF THE BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 6 JUNE 2007**

Attached.

**18. REPORT OF THE BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 18 JULY 2007**

Attached.

**19. REPORT OF THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 11 JULY 2007**

Attached.

**20. REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD**

Attached.

**21. REPORT OF THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 10 JULY 2007**

Attached.

**22. REPORT OF THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD:  
MEETING OF 18 JULY 2007**

Attached.

**23. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**24. QUESTIONS**

**25. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

Attached.