

3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 The Armstrong Family - Sandy Bay Toilet

Pat Armstrong had written to the Board on behalf of her family, requesting that the Council consider installing public toilets behind the beach at Sandy Bay.

The Board had previously received a similar request from the Akaroa Harbour Issues Working Party and had decided to support the concept of installing a toilet in Sandy Bay providing that there was actually a pollution problem in the area. Members had asked that staff provide some comment on the reported pollution and an indication of what, if anything, the Council could do to help address the situation.

An assessment of the situation had been prepared by the Coastal Area Head Ranger and he was in attendance at the meeting to speak to the Board on this matter. The conclusion reached by staff was that on-site monitoring be undertaken over the next summer season, although they had also suggested that a trial could be carried out using a portable toilet over the seven week peak holiday period (21 December to 7 February). This would give a definitive indication of the usage.

The Board **decided** to support the suggestion that a portable toilet be trialled in Sandy Bay over the peak holiday period from December 2007 to February 2008.