


10. HALSWELL QUARRY PARK SISTER CITIES KOREAN AND CHINESE AREAS



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Council to make a decision on whether to implement the draft plans for the Korean and Chinese Gardens at Halswell Quarry Park, (**Attachments 1 and 2**).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Halswell Quarry Park is a 55 hectare regional park located between Cashmere Road and Kennedy's Bush Road in Halswell. This park currently contains recreational walks, historical sites and botanical gardens.
3. The Sister Cities areas at Halswell Quarry Park were a millennium project initiated by Turning Point 2000. Due to the Christchurch Botanical Gardens being filled to capacity Halswell Quarry Park was identified as a suitable site for the Sister City areas. The Sister Cities Garden Park became part of the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan when it was reviewed in 1998. For each collection an area of up to 10,000m² (approximately) is available to suit the plant type from each Sister City using botanical plantings.
4. Each of Christchurch's Sister City relationships is co-ordinated by a committee. These committees are made up of volunteers from many different backgrounds such as school teachers, Councillors, media and sports people. The Christchurch City Council employs three International Relations Co-ordinators, who advise and support the Sister City Committees.
5. The objectives of the Sister Cities programme are:
 - (a) To promote relationships between the people of Christchurch and the people of her Sister Cities.
 - (b) To continue to increase international understanding and opportunities for wider reaching relationships through the promotion of our Sister Cities in Christchurch.
 - (c) To involve a range of community groups including (but not limited to) organisations and other interest groups and, where appropriate, local business under the auspices of key business facilitators.
 - (d) To promote Christchurch as a city welcoming tourism and visitation, and international economic development.
6. According to the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan (1998) the goal for Halswell Quarry Park is to optimise the potential of the physical, biological and historical characteristics of the Halswell Quarry Reserve, for a wide variety of recreation activities and public uses and enjoyment, consistent with its location at the foot of the Port Hills.
7. The objectives of the Management Plan (1998) are:
 - (a) To progressively develop the reserve for various extensive recreation uses, both active and passive, compatible with the area's character and historic activities.
 - (b) To enhance the landscape qualities and biological diversity of the site and to retain its rural atmosphere.
 - (c) To promote an awareness and appreciation of the historic significance of the area to the early growth of Christchurch and to preserve the historic areas of the quarry and its buildings.
 - (d) To restore the Halswell Quarry to enable safe public access and develop its recreational and educational potential.
 - (e) To develop the reserve in a way that is consistent with past activities and neighbouring land uses.

8. The priorities for the development and management of Halswell Quarry according to the Management Plan (1998) are:
 - (a) Continued promotion of Halswell Quarry Park's rich historical resource and the part it has played in the formation of Christchurch.
 - (b) Preservation and enhancement of Halswell Quarry Park's rural character, open space and its value as a place for passive recreation.
 - (c) Continued emphasis on native revegetation plantings to provide a framework for the site, including a native wetland and kahikatea forest.
 - (d) Creation of the Sister Cities Garden Park; a satellite botanical collection of plants from Christchurch's six sister cities will build an impressive exotic collection mainly within the central core of Halswell Quarry Park. The Canterbury botanical collection will be represented by a large area of native wetland and kahikatea forest.
9. At its meeting held on Thursday 28 August 2008 the Council considered a report (**Attachment 7**) and resolved:
 - (a) Until the new management plan review is complete, use its authority to depart from the Halswell Quarry Management Plan to approve a shorter process for the approval of proposed structures from the Sister Cities Gardens Committees, whereby plans are submitted for approval before a Council subcommittee comprising Councillors Sally Buck and Mike Wall, Senior Transport and Greenspace staff and the General Manager Public Affairs.
 - (b) That the proposed buildings are subject to appropriate building consents and approval from NZHPT (New Zealand Historic Places Trust) and that public stakeholder input is provided through a standard project information leaflet.
10. While the Council's 28 August 2008 resolution contemplated the proposed structures being approved by the Subcommittee appointed by the Council as a result of the public stakeholder input submissions to be considered by the subcommittee were received from the Songpa-Gu and Gansu Sister City Committees. Given that the 2 Councillor members of the subcommittee, Councillors Buck and Wall, are also Council appointees on each of those sister city committees a conflict of interest as described by the Auditor-General in his publication "Guidance for members of local authorities about the law on conflicts of interest" arose and the General Manager Regulation & Democracy Services advised the 2 councillors not to participate in the Subcommittee's consideration of the submissions received. Consequently the submissions have not been before the subcommittee and are before the Council now.
11. However for the same reason the General Manager has advised the 2 Councillors not to discuss or vote on this report at this Council meeting. This same advice does not apply to other Councillors who are members of those other sister city committees. Those other sister city committees are not involved in making submissions on the Korean or Chinese Gardens and to staff's knowledge the Councillor members of other sister city committees do not have a close involvement or relationship with the Songpa-Gu or Gansu sister city committees. Further to staff's knowledge the Councillor members of the other sister city committees have not made statements or conducted themselves to indicate they have predetermined views on this issue or on the recommendations in this report before considering all relevant information, including any deputations that may choose to address the Council on this matter. The fact that Councillors are members of other sister city committees does not, and should not, of itself disqualify those other Councillors from discussing and voting on this report.
12. Given the staff recommendation to approve the Korean and Chinese landscape plans, with the size of structures to be reduced, there is a continuing need to retain the Sister city Gardens subcommittee to approve the revised plans.
13. Regarding resolution (b) the written approval has not yet been provided by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust as referred to in the 28 August 2008 resolution.

The Trust has advised the Council:

The Halswell Quarry Park management plan identifies the park itself as an archaeological site (Policies 4.1.10); within the park, there are various archaeological features, some of which date prior to 1900 and are therefore subject to the archaeological consent process of the Historic Places Act.

Three archaeological sites are recorded with the NZ Archaeological Association within the boundaries of the park. One of these (M36/97) relates to the historic quarrying activities and refers to such features as the quarry faces, buildings and other associated historic features identified in the management plan. The other two (M36/29 & 96) relate to archaeological sites of Maori origin, being ovens and artefacts; these two sites were first recorded in the 1960s, were not able to be relocated in 2003 and may well have been destroyed by earthworks in the last 40-odd years. However, because of changes in accuracy of mapping and the relative vagueness in the instructions for relocation that were given in the 1960s, the features may still be present but unable to be located due to error in the map co-ordinates.

Regardless of whether the sites can be relocated, the records are sufficient to indicate the presence of sub-surface archaeological remains within the park and that artefacts have previously been found during earthworks.

From the details that have been provided to the NZ Historic Places Trust to date it is not possible to rule out the possibility that a consent application under the Historic Places Act may be required for the proposed installation of the two structures – that will depend on the location and extent of earthworks involved and the degree of previous surface modification to the specific building sites. As preliminary advice and in lieu of any additional details of construction, I would recommend Christchurch City Council retain a consultant archaeologist to undertake an archaeological assessment, which would involve survey of the proposed building sites and reference to the historic records available, resulting in a statement of heritage values and an assessment of potential effects.

Given this advice from the Trust regarding the possible need for a consent to be obtained under the Historic Places Act 1993 the Council will advise the 2 sister cities involved to engage a consultant archaeologist during the construction period if the staff recommendations below are adopted by the Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. The cost and maintenance of each of the Korean and Chinese Sister City areas will be provided by the Sister City Garden Committees from funds raised.

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

15. Not applicable, as funding is provided by each Sister City Committee. The existing \$45,000 per year for Halswell Quarry Park new assets development will not be affected

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

16. Any work approved by the Subcommittee will be carried out by a Council-approved contractor.
17. Halswell Quarry Park is zoned Conservation 2 (C2) and under the operative City Plan, the structures proposed by the Sister City Gardens Committees must meet any building consent conditions. A resource consent will not be required for the structures. Building consents will be required.
18. Halswell Quarry Park is not legally a reserve under the Reserves Act, and consequently does not legally require a management plan. However in 1998 the Council voluntarily chose to adopt a “management plan” for the Halswell Quarry Park, and this “management plan” is what is now referred to as the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan 1998.

20. The Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan does not provide for or contemplate the types of structures contained in the Korean and Chinese plans (as amended) recommended by staff in this report.
21. Section 80 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that where a Council decision is significantly inconsistent with any policy adopted by the council (in this case the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan 1998) then the Council must, when making its decision, clearly identify:
- the inconsistency;
 - the reasons for the inconsistency
 - any intention by the Council to amend the policy to accommodate the decision.
22. Here, as noted, the Korean and Chinese plans attached to this report are inconsistent with the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan. The reason for this inconsistency is that the 1998 Plan does not provide for or contemplate the Korean and Chinese Gardens as recommended in this report. It is staff's recommendation that the Council amend the 1998 Management Plan so as to accommodate the Korean and Chinese Gardens. A report on this matter will be brought to the Council in July next year.
23. Section 79 states that it is "the responsibility of the local authority as to how it will comply with the decision-making requirements of section 77 (consideration of reasonable options) and section 78 (consideration of community views at each stage of decision-making).
24. Section 79 of the Act provides the Council with a discretion to make judgments as to how to achieve compliance with Sections 77 and 78. This is largely in proportion to the significance of the matter affected by the decision, the extent to which different options are to be identified and assessed, the extent to which costs and benefits can be quantified, the extent and details of the information to be considered and the extent and nature of any written record to be kept.
26. The Council's Policy on Significance provides that a significant decision is one that has a high degree of significance either in terms of its impact on the wellbeing of Christchurch and/or persons likely to be affected by or with an interest in that decision and/or the costs to or capacity of the Christchurch City Council to provide for the wellbeing of the city.
27. Council policy is that in making significant decisions, the decision-maker should consider information on the reasons for the decision, the options and their relative costs and benefits, and the views of those that are affected by or with an interest in the decision that are commensurate with the significance of that decision. It is the responsibility of the maker of the substantive decision(, in this case the Council, to satisfy itself that the requirements of this policy are complied with.
28. Criteria that will be considered in determining the significance of the decision that are relevant here include:
- (a) Magnitude of the decision in terms of its net cost to the Council.

The implementation of the 2 plans are funded by the relevant sister city committees and there is no net cost to the Council.
 - (b) Extent to which options identified have radically different effects.

None of the options have radically different effects.
 - (c) Extent to which matter is controversial within the community.

While this matter is controversial in a local part of Christchurch it is not controversial for the Christchurch community as a whole.

- (d) Reversibility test. The more difficult to reverse the greater its significance.

A decision to implement the Chinese and Korean plans as recommended in this report would be difficult to reverse.

- (e) Precautionary principle – Where the significance of a matter is unclear the Council will err on side of treating the issue as more, rather than less, significance.

It is considered this decision is not “significant” for the purpose of the Policy on Significance. In that context the significance is not unclear.

- (f) Practicality – Council can take into account circumstances under which a decision is taken.

The circumstances here that are also relevant are the relationship the Council has with the 2 sister cities involved and the need to maintain those relationships.

29. The Policy notes that a high level of significance in one or more of the criteria may or may not result in the decision itself being assessed as having a high level of significance. In conclusion staff do not believe this is a significant decision. Even if staff were wrong in that assessment the Council has already chosen to seek the views of those persons who are interested. Those views are discussed later in this report.

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

30. Yes, as per above.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

31. LTCCP 2006-16

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- (a) Community – By providing welcoming areas for communities to gather and interact
- (b) Safety – By ensuring our parks, open spaces and waterways are healthy and safe places
- (c) Environment – By offering opportunities for people to contribute to projects that improve our city’s environment
- (d) Governance – By involving people in decision-making about parks, open spaces and waterways
- (e) Prosperity – By contributing to Christchurch’s garden city image and attracting business, skills and tourism
- (f) Health – By providing areas for people to engage in healthy activities
- (g) Recreation – By offering a range of active and passive recreation and leisure opportunities in parks, open spaces and waterways
- (h) Knowledge – By providing the opportunity to learn through social interaction and recreation
- (i) City Development – By providing inviting, pleasant and well cared-for environments

32. Parks and Open Spaces Activity Management Plan – The Council’s objective with urban parks is to provide and manage Community Parks, Gardens and Heritage Parks, Sports Parks, Riverbanks and Conservation Areas throughout the city that provide amenity values, areas for recreation and organised sport, garden environments and green corridors, that contribute to the city’s natural form, character, heritage and Garden City image.

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

34. Yes, as per above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

35. Social Wellbeing – cultural diversity is respected. People and communities participate in decision-making and political processes.
- (a) Safer Christchurch Strategy 2005 – Aims to make Christchurch “the safest city in New Zealand” for both residents and visitors.
 - (b) Biodiversity Strategy 2008 - promotes the need for countries to work together and to co-ordinate efforts to tackle biodiversity issues using a variety of approaches including science and research, information exchange, national planning, education and training.
 - (c) Port Hills Recreation Strategy 2004 – to protect and enhance the natural and cultural values and recreation assets of the Port Hills reserves to support their use for a diverse range of complementary recreation activities.

Do the recommendations align with the Council’s strategies?

36. Yes, as per above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

37. At its 28 August meeting the Council resolved that “ ... public stakeholder input is provided through a standard project information leaflet.”
38. In October 2008 a publicity pamphlet was distributed to approximately 600 residences and key stakeholders (**Attachment 3**). It was also made available at Council libraries and service centres, as well as featuring on the Council “Have your say” website. An article was also written in the “Our Christchurch” page in the Christchurch Star (22 October 2008) inviting residents to participate in the consultation process. The publicity pamphlet that was distributed included a summary of the concept, initial concept plans and a feedback form. Feedback was sought from the community to see whether each proposal was generally supported.

Consultation Outcome - Public Information Leaflet

39. The consultation received a 31 per cent response rate (186 responses) and community feedback was mostly in support of both plans (**Attachment 4**).
- 111 submitters (59 per cent) Korean Garden - responded “YES – I support the concept plan”.
 - 76 submitters (40 per cent) Korean Garden - responded “NO – I do not support the concept plan”.
 - 2 submitters (1 per cent) Korean Garden – position not indicated.
 - 103 submitters (55 per cent) Chinese Garden- responded “YES – I support the concept plan”.
 - 85 submitters (45 per cent) Chinese Garden - responded “NO – I do not support the concept plan”.
 - 1 submitter(1 per cent) not indicated.
40. Eight late submissions were received - date stamped after **Friday 7 November 2008** (closing date of consultation). Five were in support of the Korean area and three were not in support of the Korean area. Three were in support of the Chinese area and five were not in support of the Chinese area. Even If these submissions had been received in time they would still not have had an effect on the overall results above.

41. In addition to the 600 information leaflets distributed, staff also held two targeted workshops, the first one for local residents and the second one for local residents' associations and key stakeholders. On 3 November 6 of November two workshops were run with the purpose of "discussing residents' views on the draft plans for the Korean and Chinese gardens at Halswell Quarry as part of the public consultation process". Invitations for the first workshop were limited to those who reside directly near the area of the Quarry where the existing Korean area and proposed Chinese Sister City area are located. Residents' Associations and Key Stakeholders invited to the second workshop were selected as having an interest in Halswell Quarry Park and were not selected for geographical reasons. These groups included Halswell Lions Club, Athletics Canterbury, Christchurch Korean School, Halswell Residents' Association, Kennedys Bush Road Neighbourhood Association and Christchurch Combined Residents Association'.
42. The workshops included the following process:
- (a) Review of the proposed plans with clarification of items on each plan and background on why these items were chosen.
 - (b) Critique of the plans by the community, using the following techniques:
 - (i) Activity 1: 'Dot voting' to identify issues and areas of agreement. Green stickers used to indicate "parts of the plan you like", red stickers to indicate "parts of the plan you do not like" and orange stickers to indicate parts of the plan "you could live with". (Used for both workshops and plans).
 - (ii) Activity 2: 'Card sorting' to identify pros, cons and ideas for improvement for the plans. Small groups worked together to come up with a list of pros, cons and ideas for improvement. These were then discussed amongst the larger group (used for Chinese plan for 3 November workshop).
 - (iii) Activity 3: 'Full circle' to identify pros, cons and ideas for improvement for plans. Groups circulated around three tables to come up with a list of pros, cons and ideas for improvement. Each table was visited twice, on the second visit ticks were used to indicate the top three for the list of pros, cons and ideas for improvement. (used for Chinese plan for 6 November workshop).
 - (iv) Activity 4: A facilitated discussion after each activity (used for all plans at each workshop).
43. Issues with the above workshops:
- (a) Dot voting: Strength – provides a good visual snapshot of how the attendees feel. Weakness – is open to influence from more dominating attendees with use of extra dots (over the assigned three dots of each colour for each plan limit).
 - (b) Card sorting: Strength – provides constructive feedback in a more positive light, provides more detail than dot voting. Weakness – time-consuming, took longer than expected.
 - (c) Full circle: Strength – efficient and active way of collecting data. Weakness – people can be influenced by what has previously been written down.
 - (d) Attendance – it would have been preferable to have had different attendees at each workshop, to canvass a wider range of views.

Consultation Outcome - Workshops

44. The key issues identified by submitters from the 3 November Workshop for immediate residents (**refer attachment 5**) relate to:

Korean Area

- The gateway – size and location
- The structures do not comply with the Management plan
- Potential for graffiti issues

Chinese Area

- The plan does not fit with the natural rural setting of the park
- The size of the structures (too large)
- The location of the steps on the hillside
- The formality of the plan
- The structures do not comply with the Management plan

45. The key issues identified by submitters from the 6 November Workshop for residents' associations and key stakeholders (**Attachment 6**) relate to:

Korean Area

- The gateway – size/appearance

Chinese Area

- The stairway – size/location/safety
- The structures being against the Management Plan
- The plan does not fit with the natural rural setting of the park

46. Ideas from both workshops for improving the plan include:

- (a) Reducing the size of the structures on each plan
- (b) Removing the structures from the plans and implementing a botanical area instead, as per the Management Plan.
- (c) Changing the location of the Chinese area – move it to a flatter area of the Quarry
- (d) Relocate the gardens to another Park within Christchurch
- (e) Increase vegetation
- (f) Use only one structure of a smaller size
- (g) Include access for the disabled and prams
- (h) Incorporate sporting trails into the plans
- (i) Use native plantings
- (j) Amend the stair design to reduce size and visual impact (use more vegetation/make stairs curvier)
- (k) Use older plant species that are already a larger size.

47. As the Council has consulted to get stakeholder input, it must consider the information from that consultation process. However, it is not bound by the results of the consultation. The Council is not under any obligation to give effect to the majority view represented by submissions. It is the quality of the submissions and not the quantity that is important.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council resolve:

- (a) To approve the landscape plan for the Korean area at Halswell Quarry Park, subject to the size of the Korean gate being reduced, and proceed to detailed design and construction
- (b) To approve the landscape plan for the Chinese area at Halswell Quarry Park, subject to the size of the structures on the plan being reduced and materials natural to the area of the Quarry being used for the structures (where possible), and proceed to detailed design and construction.
- (c) To note that pursuant to s. 80 of the Local Government Act 2002:
 - (i) The Korean and Chinese plans attached to this report are inconsistent with the 1998 Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan;
 - (ii) The reason for this inconsistency is that the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan does not provide for or contemplate the Korean and Chinese Gardens.
 - (iii) That the Council give consideration to amending the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan so as to accommodate the Korean and Chinese Gardens.
- (d) That a report to consider amending the 1998 Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan so as to accommodate the Korean and Chinese Gardens be brought to the Council in July 2009.
- (e) That in the Council's judgment the process followed by the Council in consideration of this report meets the requirements of Sections 76 to 78 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- (f) That the Council does not consider that the decisions contained in this resolution are significant for the purpose of the Council's Policy on Significance.
- (g) To note that a consent may be required under the Historic Places Act to give effect to the landscape plans for the Korean area and the Chinese area.
- (h) To disestablish the Subcommittee appointed on 28 August 2008.
- (i) To appoint a new Sister Cities Gardens Subcommittee to approve the revised plans referred to in recommendations (a) and (b) above.
- (j) To appoint two Councillors to the Subcommittee.

BACKGROUND (THE ISSUES)

48. As the Christchurch City Council is the owner of Halswell Quarry Park it has authority to develop and manage the park subject to the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan (1998) and the City Plan.
49. The main objective of Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan is to preserve and enhance its rural character and historic values while enabling passive recreation. This includes providing a botanical collection in Halswell Quarry Park of the Sister Cities Gardens representing each country of origin.
50. The direction and management of the current objectives of Halswell Quarry Park can be maintained or amended via the appropriate statutory and transparent public process. This will occur when the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan is reviewed in 2009.
51. The current proposed structures for the Korean and Chinese areas at Halswell Quarry Park fall outside what is allowed for in the Halswell Quarry Park Management Plan. However they do fit within the City Plan rules for the park (C2 zone).
52. At the 23 September 2008 meeting of the Halswell Quarry Park Sister City Garden Subcommittee meeting (minutes to be approved) it was resolved:

Korean area

- (a) That staff undertake consultation on the gate and interpretation board outlined in the plan.
- (b) That existing structures which require replacement, and any other proposed structure which is within the management plan, proceed after staff have checked these comply with the Management Plan (totem poles, fence around lantern and wall).

Chinese area

- (a) That the plans for the Gansu Province Garden should go out for public consultation.
- (b) That the consultation material should provide measurements and show the scale of the proposed structure.

THE OBJECTIVES

53. The objectives are to make a decision on whether to implement the Korean and Chinese area plans for Halswell Quarry Park.

THE OPTIONS

54. The options are:
 - (a) Approve the current plans for the Korean and Chinese areas at Halswell Quarry Park
 - (b) Not approve the current plans for the Korean and Chinese areas at Halswell Quarry Park
 - (c) Ask for amendments to the Korean and Chinese plans as a condition of the approval of the plans.

THE PREFERRED OPTION

55. Option (c) Ask for amendments to the Korean and Chinese plans as a condition of the approval of the plans.

ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS

The Preferred Option

56. Option C Ask for amendments to the Korean and Chinese plans as a condition of the approval of the plans.

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	Providing safe and welcoming areas for communities to gather and interact, encouraging participation in healthy activities, to provide scenic values and encourage a sense of community ownership by working with the community	
Cultural	By contributing to Christchurch's Garden City Image and attracting tourism. By providing a cultural link through the Sister City plantings and structures and creating learning opportunities for park users.	
Environmental	By managing the park to minimise damage to the environment.	
Economic	Providing positive economic and business benefits to the city through its involvement in Sister City Relations through tourism and by providing a cultural and educational link.	
Extent to which community outcomes are achieved: Community outcomes are achieved through a park that provides activities which contribute to our economy, identity, health and well-being. Also the learning opportunities gained from the creation of a Sister City Garden helps users to participate in the community and the economy. It also provides the opportunity to learn through social interaction and recreation.		
Impact on the Council's capacity and responsibilities: The Sister City areas have been established as part of Halswell Quarry Park to strengthen international civic relationships.		
Effects on Maori: Protecting biodiversity and indigenous plant associations.		
Consistency with existing Council policies: A city of people who value and protect the natural environment, a city of inclusive and diverse communities, a well governed city, a prosperous city, a healthy city, a city for recreation, fun and creativity, a city of lifelong learning and an attractive and well designed city.		
Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest: Community and stakeholder preferences are outlined in the consultation portion of this report. By choosing this option we are meeting a compromise for both parties. Consultation carried out as required by the Halswell Quarry Management Plan (1998).		
Other relevant matters: The Halswell Quarry Management Plan will go out for consultation in 2009, this is when it is due for its next review.		

Maintain the Status Quo (if not preferred option)

57. Option B Not approve the current plans for the Korean and Chinese areas at Halswell Quarry Park.

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	Providing safe and welcoming areas for communities to gather and interact, encouraging participation in healthy activities.	
Cultural	None.	
Environmental	By managing the park to minimise damage to the environment.	
Economic	None.	
Extent to which community outcomes are achieved: Community outcomes are achieved through a park that provides activities which contribute to our economy, identity, health and well-being. Impact on the Council's capacity and responsibilities: The Sister City areas have been established as part of Halswell Quarry Park to strengthen international civic relationships. By not approving the plans this may have an effect on our current relationships with our Sister Cities. Effects on Maori: Protecting biodiversity and indigenous plant associations. Consistency with existing Council policies: A safe city, a city of people who value and protect the natural environment, a well governed city, a healthy city, a city for recreation, fun and creativity and an attractive and well designed city. Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest: Community and stakeholder preferences are outlined in the consultation portion of this report. By choosing this option it is going against the majority of the feedback from submitters, who will be dissatisfied with the result. Consultation carried out as required by the Halswell Quarry Management Plan (1998). Other relevant matters: The Halswell Quarry Management Plan will go out for consultation in 2009, this is when it is due for its next review.		

At Least one Other Option (or an explanation of why another option has not been considered)

58. Option A Approve the current plans for the Korean and Chinese areas at Halswell Quarry Park

	Benefits (current and future)	Costs (current and future)
Social	Providing safe and welcoming areas for communities to gather and interact, encouraging participation in healthy activities, to provide scenic values and encourage a sense of community ownership by working with the community	
Cultural	By contributing to Christchurch's Garden City Image and attracting tourism. By providing a cultural link through the Sister City plantings and structures and creating learning opportunities for park users.	
Environmental	By managing the park to minimise damage to the environment.	
Economic	Providing positive economic and business benefits to the city through its involvement in Sister City Relations through tourism and by providing a cultural and educational link.	
<p>Extent to which community outcomes are achieved:</p> <p>Community outcomes are achieved through a park that provides activities that contribute to our economy, identity, health and well-being. Also the learning opportunities gained from the creation of a Sister City Garden help users to participate in the community and the economy. It is also provides the opportunity to learn through social interaction and recreation.</p> <p>Impact on the Council's capacity and responsibilities:</p> <p>The Sister City areas have been established as part of Halswell Quarry Park to strengthen international civic relationships.</p> <p>Effects on Maori:</p> <p>Protecting biodiversity and indigenous plant associations.</p> <p>Consistency with existing Council policies:</p> <p>A city of people who value and protect the natural environment, a city of inclusive and diverse communities, a well governed city, a prosperous city, a healthy city, a city for recreation, fun and creativity, a city of lifelong learning and an attractive and well designed city.</p> <p>Views and preferences of persons affected or likely to have an interest:</p> <p>Community and stakeholder preferences are outlined in the consultation portion of this report. By choosing this option it is going against the minority of the community feedback, (although they still make up a large proportion of the feedback), who will be dissatisfied with the result. Without this community buy in for the plan it makes it difficult for them to take ownership of the project. Consultation carried out as required by the Halswell Quarry Management Plan (1998).</p> <p>Other relevant matters:</p> <p>The Halswell Quarry Management Plan will go out for consultation in 2009.</p>		