3. HERITAGE UPDATE REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to provide a monthly update on issues relating to heritage. Where applicable, information from previous reports is repeated in italics.

THE FORMER CANTERBURY HORSE BAZZAR, 38 BEDFORD ROW/141 LICHFIELD STREET GROUP 4

A twelve-month lease has been negotiated between the owner and Council. Staff are working with Urban Planner, James Lunday, to find an appropriate and viable use for the building.

STAR/LYTTELTON TIMES BUILDINGS, CATHEDRAL SQUARE/GLOUCESTER STREET, GROUP 1, GROUP 2; WARNERS HOTEL, CATHEDRAL SQUARE, GROUP 2

The Environment Court date for the final decision on this matter has been set for 21 September 1999. Staff are working with the legal representatives with respect to the preparation of final documents for this case.

SAMOAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 343 COLOMBO STREET, GROUP 2

The Church building was recently advertised for tender and has subsequently sold. Its future remains uncertain.

BELLAMY'S WING, CANTERBURY PROVINCIAL COUNCIL BUILDINGS, GROUP 1

The interior restoration work is now in the final stages. Painting is almost complete and the curtains and carpet are due mid to late September.

Requests for proposals to lease Bellamy's closed on Wednesday 25 August. Staff will be reviewing these over the next few weeks. A report on the options will be submitted to the October round of meetings for a decision.

FORMER WELLESLY LODGE 138-148 PARK TERRACE, GROUP 3

Negotiations are continuing with several parties for the retention of the two heritage houses. Some proposals include additional residential buildings on the site.

FORMER DEANERY, 80 BEALEY AVE, GROUP 2

The building is currently for sale. Several parties have approached the Council with a view to adaptive re-use of the building, however, its future remains uncertain.

CHRISTCHURCH CLUB, 154 WORCESTER STREET, GROUP 1

Investigations are currently being made to undertake a fire safety upgrade of this building. Staff have been assisting with a review of the fire protection system.

STAFFING MATTERS:

Mr William Foulton has been appointed as Planner, Heritage Conservation, with the City Design and Heritage section of the Environmental Policy and Planning Unit. William is a registered architect with experience in heritage conservation projects. He will take up this position in January 2000. Two part-time staff have been employed to assist in the interim.

Chairman'sRecommendation:That the information be received.