8. REGIONAL HAZARDOUS WASTE UPDATE

Officer responsible	Author
Waste Manager	Zefanja Potgieter, DDI 371-1271
Corporate Plan Output: Regional Waste Initiatives	

The purpose of this report is to provide feedback on regional hazardous waste developments.

Karyn Durham has been appointed Regional Hazardous Waste Coordinator after the resignation of Rachel Hargreaves during October 2000. This two-year long hazardous waste reduction project runs until January 2002 and the project has continued to move forward. The Committee will recall that this project is jointly funded by the Sustainable Management Fund of the Ministry for the Environment, Environment Canterbury, and all the members of the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee. (Ministry for the Environment Sustainable Management Fund (MFE-SMF) \$95,000, Environment Canterbury and Canterbury Waste Subcommittee members \$95,000.)

Submissions on a draft Regional Hazardous Waste Strategy for Canterbury closed on 10 November, and the Regional Hazardous Waste Working Party will meet on 13 December to consider all submissions. It is expected that the Strategy will be finalised by the Working Party early in 2001 after which the Working Party is expected to refer it to the Subcommittee and Environment Canterbury with a recommendation that it be sent to all Canterbury local authorities for adoption. The strategy identifies regional hazardous waste projects already under way, as well as new projects, to which all councils adopting the strategy will be required to contribute financial resources.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the information be received.