

6. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
REPORT OF 21 NOVEMBER 2000**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Environmental Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21 November 2000.

The meeting was attended by Alison Wilkie (Chairperson), Mary Corbett, Neville Bennett, David Buist and Mike Mora. Ishwar Ganda was also present.

In attendance were Martin Maguire, Jane Mulholland and Roger Cave.

1. STOCK TRUCK EFFLUENT, UPDATE

On behalf of the National Stock Effluent Working Group, Mr Robin Odams (Regional Manager, Transit NZ) was in attendance.

In a broad discussion the following precis identifies the current position in relation to stock effluent control:

- Tranfund have confirmed funding formula with territorial authorities for “in transit” sites.
- 14 South Island sites; within our region they will be sighted at Ashburton, Amberley, Waddington and Kaikoura, as well as at the “end points”.
- To be programmed for completion by June 2002.
- “Success” of sites is dependant upon other (industry/rural) stakeholders.
- New Code of Practice developed.
- Regulations and enforcement, of trucks having holding tanks, will be by legislation subsequent to sites becoming operational.
- 4 currently built in Otago, and these are being monitored.
- Road Transport members have high percentage of tank compliance already.
- Need for stakeholder education to ensure success, being clean streets within city boundaries!
- Members considered that community representation on “Advisory Boards” was desirable.

Robin was thanked for his attendance.

2. TEMPLETON DOMAIN SKATEBOARD AREA, PROPOSED UPGRADING

The Committee was in receipt of an extensive report from the Area Parks Officer (Anne Cosson) and Community Recreation Adviser (Jane Mulholland) on the results of a community survey concerning the proposed upgrading of the skateboard area on Templeton Domain.

The Committee had visited the site recently.

The whole residential area of Templeton was letterbox-dropped, with 149 replies.

From the survey, the main uses of the domain were:

- Walking
- Play equipment
- Skateboard bowl
- Sports
- Picnics

There was strong support to extend the skatebowl and the re-establishment of the community tennis court.

Ideas for improvements to the domain included:

- More seats and picnic tables
- Family BBQ area
- Half-basketball court
- More play equipment (for pre-schoolers).

Various “youth” problems were identified, also.

A recommendation that the main gates be locked during the week and opened only on the weekends for a limited time was not supported by the Committee.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the tennis court area be reinstated as a tennis court. Repairs be made to the fence and a new net be put in place.
 2. That the skateboard bowl be extended as shown in plan and that the new skate area be designed for young youth, and that the existing pathway be realigned away from the extended skateboard bowl.
 3. That the Community Board allocate \$5,000 (from the Community Environment Fund) for the work.
 4. That the Community Board also allocate \$9,000 (funded equally from the Community Environment Fund and the Board’s Discretionary Fund) towards new play equipment.
 5. That the Parks Unit install a drinking fountain, seats, picnic tables.
 6. That discussion with the residents group be held concerning lighting of the pathway and that they be controlled by timers.
 7. That the Board write to the Templeton Residents Association suggesting that honorary park wardens be appointed to administer the park.
 8. That the Templeton Residents Association also be advised of the very encouraging community response to the recent survey.
 9. That a plaque be erected to acknowledge the financial contribution made by the Community Board.

3. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE ISSUES, PROGRESS REPORT

A full schedule of issues considered by the Committee this year was presented for information; it will be updated regularly.

4. PROJECT ALLOCATIONS 2000/01

Taking into account the (financial) recommendations made in respect of the Templeton Skateboard/Domain, the balance of funds available, are:

- Reserves and Green Open Spaces Development \$9,000
- Community Environment Fund \$10,000

5. RESOURCE CONSENT ENFORCEMENT

It was **agreed** to acknowledge the enforcement work, currently being carried out by staff, on the vehicle wrecking sites in Halswell Junction Road.

6. ONGOING ISSUES

- Cycleway Networks
- Air Quality Issues
- Private Pit Compliance
- Tree planting in streets (policy and new sites).
- Street seats.

7. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 13 December 2000, presentation on the potential variation to the City Plan on flooding issues (resident groups have been invited).

**Chairman's
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