6. CORRESPONDENCE

SCHOOL SIGNS - MARSHLAND SCHOOL

The following letter was received from Marshland School requesting the installation of fluorescent yellow signs:

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees, staff and parents of Marshland School, I would like your Board to consider the purchase of a large fluorescent yellow school sign which we wish to be installed on the western Redwood side of the approach to Marshland School. The Papanui/Shirley Board has already agreed to pay for a sign on the other approach.

The cost of the sign is \$273.60 from Ross Burke at Reflective Signs, and the Christchurch City Council has agreed to installation of the signs.

As you are aware, I have been personally campaigning for safer routes, school crossings and reduction of speed limits for ten years - for the past five years through the Board of Trustees of Marshland School. As we have an 80 kph speed zone outside our school, we feel our children will have a much safer crossing of Prestons Road with these brighter and larger signs.

We have had two children hit outside the school gate during the past five years. We do not want any more accidents, and we feel strongly that higher visibility, larger signage would improve the situation dramatically.

Thank you for your consideration. I hope to hear from you, with a favourable reply, in the very near future."

Chairperson's

Recommendation:

- 1. That the Board allocate \$274 from its 1999/00 Discretionary Funding towards Marshland School's sign.
- 2. That the Board make submissions through the City Streets Unit for Marshland School to have a high priority for the 40 kmp/h part-time speed limits within school zones trial.