

## **21. BOARD SEMINAR MEETING**

The Board held its Seminar Meeting on 16 March 2000 and considered the following matters:

### **1. DEPUTATION BY APPOINTMENT**

Mr G M Bennett had been invited to address the meeting, should he wish to do so, to offer comments on the report on his letter which was before the Board at its meeting on 1 March 2000. Mr Bennett answered Board members' questions and sought advice from the Board on what could be done to resolve the concerns outlined in his letters.

In discussion, Mr Bennett suggested that the Board could act as advocate for a number of improvements, which were:

- i) That in any future major arterial road planning, the Council should not approve new subdivisions without requiring the street frontage on to the arterial road to be set well back from the edge of the roadway in order to reduce vibration in the adjoining houses.
- ii) That the Dyers Road carriageway be moved to the unoccupied land towards the west of the existing carriageway, thus allowing the existing roadway to become a local suburban access road between the arterial road and the Brookhaven subdivision.
- iii) That better drainage along Dyers Road might well drain the subsoil and reduce the vibration problem.

### **2. BROOKHAVEN ESTATES: LETTER FROM MR G M BENNETT**

The meeting considered a written response made by Mr Bennett to the report containing officers' comments on his original letters to the Board.

The Subdivisions Officer, Tony Handisides, briefed the Board outlining the New Zealand standard which was applied when the Brookhaven site was filled and advised that some of the house sites required special engineering work to be done on the building foundations. This requirement would be shown on the LIM. Mr Handisides also outlined the planning process for this area and the constraints on the Council in determining the reserves to be provided by the developer. Mr Handisides suggested that the use of the reserve land contribution to provide a strip along the side of Dyers Road would not be a good use of reserve land.

In response to concerns about the survey base line in Linwood Avenue, Mr Handisides advised that it would be possible to plant alongside this base line as long as the base line itself was not obscured.

#### **Recommendations to the Board:**

1. That the Board ask staff to prepare a brief report on footpaths in the Brookhaven area.

2. That the Board recommend to the Environmental Policy and Planning Unit that there be a greater set-back between major road carriageways and residential subdivisions and also between residential and industrial subdivisions.
3. That the Parks Unit be asked to plan for the construction of the proposed path through the reserve area urgently so that the Brookhaven subdivision can be linked to the proposed cycle path alongside the reconstructed and landscaped Canal Reserve main drain and that the Parks Unit be asked to advise the Board of their time scale for this work.
4. That the City Streets Unit be asked, should the vibration felt in the Brookhaven subdivision continue, to consider moving the Dyers Road carriageway to the west so that this roadway is moved further away from the Brookhaven subdivision.
5. That the Canterbury Regional Council be asked to reconsider the matter of the provision of a bus service to the Brookhaven area as there are now some 300 households in this area.
6. That Mr Bennett be thanked for his presentation and advised of the action proposed by the Board to assist in resolving his concerns.

### **3. UPDATE ON PROPOSED PERIODIC DETENTION CENTRE – STANMORE ROAD**

Messrs Bernie Marra, Area Manager, Community Probation Service, Alan Rogers, Service Manager for the Stanmore Road Periodic Detention Centre, and Gary Nicholls, Department of Corrections National Property Manager, addressed the Board outlining the proposed Stanmore Road Periodic Detention Centre and the need for it.

The speakers emphasised that the Department of Corrections has always wished to develop this Centre and that the operation of a Periodic Detention Centre would be a permitted activity under the proposed zone in the new City Plan. The intention of the department is to have Periodic Detention Centres adjacent to their catchment areas, with the objective of reducing client re-offending.

Mr Marra suggested that the problems foreseen by residents when a Periodic Detention Centre was proposed for an area very rarely, if ever, eventuated.

As an Environment Court reference has been lodged by the Richmond Community Cottage and the provisions of the new City Plan for this area cannot take effect until this appeal has been heard in some two to three years, the Department of Corrections proposes to go through the normal resource consent process to seek approval for this Periodic Detention Centre, as the facility is needed urgently.

The deputation was thanked for attending this meeting. Board members were invited to visit a Periodic Detention Centre to see one in action.

### **4. COMMUNITY BOARD FUNDING OF COMMUNITY GROUPS**

The meeting considered a memorandum from the Director of Policy and the Community Relations Manager which outlined a possible approach to funding local community groups by way of Community Boards.

The meeting **agreed** to recommend that the Board invite either Stephen Phillips or Jonathon Fletcher to discuss this memorandum with Board members at the next Community Focus Committee meeting and explain the implications of this proposal for the Community Boards' funds.

**5. WASTE WATER WORKING PARTY**

John Freeman reported the proceedings of the Waste Water Working Party, of which he is a member, and outlined the various concerns which this working party was addressing. Mr Freeman handed out a newsletter to Board members outlining the present deliberations of the working party. This newsletter summarised the outcomes desired from the new Waste Water Consent for the discharge of treated waste water from the Bromley Treatment Plant.

**6. REGISTER OF BOARD MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND ASSETS**

Aaron O'Brien asked that the Register of Board Members' Interests and Assets be reactivated and urged Board members to consider declaring their interests and assets.

The meeting **recommends** that the Register of Board Members' Interests and Assets be updated and that the forms for completion be circulated to Board Members.

**7. REVIEW OF BOARDS' MISSION STATEMENT**

It was reported that Aaron O'Brien, Liz McRostie and the Community Advocate are working on the Board's Mission Statement and will circulate a draft to Board members for consideration.

**8. NAMING OF RESERVE AT 84 STANMORE ROAD**

The meeting asked that this matter be brought to the attention of the Board for discussion.

**Chairman's**

**Recommendation:** That the recommendations discussed at the Board's Seminar Meeting and outlined above be adopted by the Board.