

## 27. MIRFIELD PLACE - STREET TREE REPLACEMENT

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee of the recommendations of the subcommittee formed at the 4 April 2000 meeting of the City Services Committee to consider this matter.

### BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 4 April 2000 the Committee resolved that a subcommittee consisting of Councillors O'Rourke, Wright, Evans and the Chairman of the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board meet on site to consider this issue and report back to the Committee.

As a result of the site meeting it was decided by meeting participants to recommend the removal of all the existing liquid amber street trees in Mirfield Place plus those outside nos 64, 66, 68, 92 and 104 Woodbury Street. All the street trees should be removed at the same time to reduce nuisance to the residents. This work should be left till the planting season, so that the semi-mature replacement trees (1.6 to 2.0 metres in height) can be planted immediately following the removal of the existing trees.

### REPLACEMENT SPECIES

A report recommending a suitable replacement species was also considered at the February meeting of the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board. The Board decided that subject to the Council's decision on the future of the trees that *Styrax japonica* (Snowball Tree) was the preferred replacement species and that semi-mature ready trees be used to reduce the impact on the streetscape. The Board also requested the Parks Unit undertake further consultation with the residents regarding the replacement species.

### Chairman's

**Recommendation:** That the above recommendation be adopted.