

4. WAIWETU STREET - KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

<p>Officer responsible City Streets Manager</p>	<p>Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer Peter Wehrmann, Water Environmental Engineer</p>
<p>Corporate Plan Output: 2000/2001 Capital Works Programme</p>	

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve for distribution, the publicity plans for the renewal of the kerb and channel in Waiwetu Street.

BACKGROUND

Waiwetu Street is on the capital works programme to have its kerb and dish channel renewed from Fendalton Road for its full length in the 2000/2001 financial year. Different options have been considered and following traffic and resident surveys and consultation between the City Streets and Water Services Units the two options shown on the **appended** plans have been drawn up.

The first option features a standard 9.0 metre carriageway with trees on either side, the provision of a turning head at the northern end, and a ninety degree angle parking bay outside No.s 32-34 for parents to dropoff/pickup their children for Fendalton Primary School (No.27a). The estimated cost for this work is \$391,000 from the City Streets Unit’s capital works budget.

It has been identified that carriageway stormwater runoff is polluting the city’s natural waterways, but if stormwater is allowed to run over grass and/or through natural planting the majority of these pollutants are removed. Concrete channels also increase the flood flow in the waterways. If existing standard practices continue waterway pollution may be a legacy we will leave for the future.

To counter this a second option has been drawn up featuring a swale instead of a kerb on the eastern side with waterway enhancement outside No.s 14 and 16. The narrower carriageway and more prominent landscaping also effect greater traffic calming. These features are consistent with the new City Plan and reflect the exploration of other cost-effective options by the City Council for road design and drainage in selected local roads. Waiwetu Street offers an opportunity for an environmentally friendly integrated design approach and a opportunity for the residents to consider a street upgrade which seeks both to reduce the extent of existing sealed surfaces and create a more pleasant, multi-purpose street environment.

New features are intended to improve the streetscape. Integrated landscaping will provide better stormwater quality and quantity control as well as enhancing the streetscape, improving community interaction/health by encouraging more pedestrian activity and improving road safety by ‘calming’ average vehicle speeds within the narrower carriageway. Eight metres will still allow access between parked cars for emergency vehicles and sealed street parking margins will still be available in the carriageway.

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A new recreational shared cycleway/footpath suitable for students down the western side of Waiwetu Street will link the Jeffreys Park cycle path with the Fendalton Park cycle path. The cycleway is intended to serve local recreational cyclists, cyclists going to Fendalton School and the Canterbury University. This measure is proposed to assist in reducing local vehicle density. When Fendalton Road is upgraded in the near future, it is proposed to build a cycle/pedestrian refuge in the proposed Fendalton Road solid median opposite Waiwetu Street.

The eastern side will have a pedestrian only footpath gently meandering amongst new planting. The final position of footpaths will be established during detailed design by a landscape architect taking into account resident's feedback, existing fences/plantings/features and the proposed stormwater swale. Natural vegetated filtration and temporary storage zones are proposed for the purpose of both detaining and improving the quality of discharged stormwater. The temporary (rarely expected to be more than several hours after a normal design storm) stormwater storage offered in the shallow eastern berm swale hollows generally planted in landscape planting will also reduce the frequency of flooding experienced in the past by residents adjacent to the McCarthys Waterway. This eastern zone will also provide an 'ecological link' between two reserves and two waterways.

The new landscape planting proposed will be a mixture of grass, exotics and natives in the road berms and natives near the waterways. Mature established planting in the 'obtained for roading purposes' currently privately occupied Council land close to McCarthys Waterway should be preserved where practical. Residents are encouraged to offer feedback if they would prefer lawn only outside their property and the responsibility to maintain it. Converting some of the existing piped portion of McCarthys into an open enhanced waterway and enhancement of the remainder of McCarthys waterway within the road reserve is also proposed. McCarthys Waterway and the Wairarapa Stream are thought to be trout spawning areas.

The estimated cost for this work is \$430,000 from the City Streets and Water Services Units capital works budgets.

It should be noted that properties No.s 2 to 10 and 14 to 26 inclusive occupy legal road. Should option 2 be chosen, the front fences of No.s 14 and 16 will need to be shifted back to the true front boundary of these properties. Before tenders are let, a decision would therefore need to be made by the Council as to whether the redundant occupied road should be sold to the property owners or used for further street landscaping and enhancement.

PROPOSAL

To distribute option 2 showing the proposed works in Waiwetu Street for the residents to comment upon. To then hold a meeting, if required, to answer resident's questions in response to feedback following the distribution of the pamphlets.

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Recommendation: That the Board receives the above information and approves the option 2 publicity plan for distribution.

Chairman's

- Recommendations:**
1. That option 2 for the redevelopment of Waiwetū Street be approved for circulation and public comment.
 2. That a meeting be held with residents of the street to further discuss and explain option 2 as an assist to seeking feedback on the plan.

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5. HAMILTON AVENUE - PROPOSED GIVE WAY SIGN

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output:	

The purpose of this report is to gain the Board's approval for a Give Way sign to be installed against Hamilton Avenue at its uncontrolled intersection with Clyde Road. Hamilton Avenue is a local road.

BACKGROUND

The Area Engineer has investigated the site and found that there are adequate sight distances in both directions along Clyde Road for a driver leaving Hamilton Avenue. Clyde Road is a collector road carrying 13,200 vehicles per day. A hazardous situation exists when a vehicle travelling south on Clyde Road into Hamilton Avenue has to stop and give way (as required by the road code) to traffic turning right out of Hamilton Avenue. The situation is hazardous because when vehicles park in Clyde Road immediately opposite the intersection, the flow of the straight through traffic is hindered and at times cannot get through.

PROPOSAL

A Give Way sign, as recommended in the New Zealand Land Transport's manual of regulatory signs and markings, be installed against Hamilton Avenue to control its intersection with Clyde Road as shown on the **appended** sketch.

Recommendation: That a Give Way sign be placed against Hamilton Avenue at its intersection with Clyde Road.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.

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6. ST. ANDREWS SQUARE-PROPOSED THRESHOLD

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: 2000/2001 Capital Works Programme	

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve for distribution, the publicity plan for the construction of a threshold in the southern corner of St. Andrews Square.

BACKGROUND

The proposed paved threshold is in the capital works neighbourhood improvement programme for construction in the 2000/2001 financial year. It is located on the ninety degree bend at the western entrance to Elmwood Park. The objectives for this work are to slow down traffic, which was identified as a problem by some residents, and to improve the appearance of St Andrews Square.

The recommended work is as proposed in the St. Andrews Square Local Area Traffic Management Scheme (LATMS) developed in consultation with the residents in 1992.

PROPOSAL

To distribute the **appended** publicity plan showing the proposed threshold and associated works in St Andrews Square for public comment.

Recommendation: That the publicity plan be approved for distribution and public comment.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

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7. JENNIFER STREET - KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Brian Boddy, Area Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: 2000/2001 Capital Works Programme	

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board approve for circulation, the publicity plan for the renewal of the kerb and channel in Jennifer Street.

BACKGROUND

Jennifer Street is on the capital works programme to have its kerb and dish channel renewed from Wairakei Road to No.44 in the 2000/2001 financial year. Different options have been considered and following traffic and resident surveys the proposal shown on the **appended** plan has been drawn up. As shown, the proposal features a median with trees down the centre of the street with a threshold on Anstorer Street, without any narrowing of the Anstorer Street carriageway width. This shall slow down traffic entering Jennifer Street from Anstorer Street, which was identified as a problem by some residents.

The kerb and channel will be replaced on the same alignment.

PROPOSAL

To distribute the publicity plan showing the location of the proposed kerb and channel and associated works in Jennifer Street for public comment.

Recommendation: That information be received and the publicity plan be circulated for public comment.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

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8. BISHOPDALE MALL – MILLENNIUM CLOCK

Officer responsible City Streets Manager	Author Weng-Kei Chen, Asset Policy Engineer
Corporate Plan Output: Activities on Street	

The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the above project and to seek the Board's endorsement for the location of the clock in the mall as indicated on the plan to be tabled.

BACKGROUND

At the Board's February 2000 meeting the Bishopdale Burnside Rotary Club made a presentation on the "Bishopdale Mall – Millennium Clock" project and this was well received. The project is a community project funded by the club with various fundraising initiatives. At the same meeting, the Board also approved a grant of \$5,000 towards the project.

PROGRESS TO DATE

The final design of this project has been completed with input from relevant staff of the Council's business units and other external stakeholders. A Building Consent for the clock has also been obtained. It is anticipated that the construction of the clock will commence at the end of June and be completed in time for the official opening and a market day planned by the Bishopdale Merchants Association on 4 November 2000. The Club has also advised that their fundraising initiatives are progressing well and support from the community has been very encouraging.

Recommendation: That the information be received and the Board endorse the location of the clock as indicated on the plan.

Deputy Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

9. WORKS AND TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – REPORT OF 16 MAY 2000

Officer responsible Community Advocate	Author Peter Dow, Community Secretary
Corporate Plan Output: Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Vol 1, 3.1 text 7.	

The purpose of this report is to submit for the Board's consideration, the following report and recommendations of the Committee meeting of 16 May.

**Report of a meeting of the Works and Traffic Safety Committee
held on Tuesday 16 May 2000 at 8.00am
in the Board Room, Papanui Service Centre**

PRESENT: Val Carter (Chairman), Diana Bradley, Sally Buck, Pat Harrow, Barbara Stewart, Mike Wall, Ron Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Yvonne Palmer, Anne Carroll, Dennis Hills, Steve Wright (for clause 1, Parking Strategy)

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received and accepted from Keith Nuttall.

1. PARKING STRATEGY

An invitation had been extended for members of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to attend and participate in the consideration of this matter.

The Senior Transportation Planner (Stuart Woods), provided an overview of the range of issues set out in the recently circulated discussion document for which public comments were being invited up until 31 May. Feedback received would be used in the development of a draft Parking Strategy which in turn would be referred to Boards and other parties in due course for comment.

The meeting **agreed** that each Board utilise the comments recorded hereunder as a basis for their individual responses to the discussion document.

- A need for the Parking Strategy to cross link with the Council's other allied strategies and planning documents.
- Commercial activities having to provide sufficient off-street car parking for their staff rather than the present reliance on kerbside on-street parking.

9. Cont'd

- Ongoing development and expansion of institutions such as the Christchurch Polytechnic and the University of Canterbury was creating a parking demand greater than what was presently being provided for.
- Scope existed for the Council to work more pro-actively with large employers to address parking requirements eg. Christchurch Hospital/private sector/Council carparking building.
- Continued staff liaison with the University of Canterbury's Transport Strategy Parking Group was endorsed.
- A suggestion that the 31 May closure date for submissions did not provide the community with sufficient time in which to prepare responses.
- The expansion of suburban malls has impacted greatly on the amenity of adjacent residential streets as well as other smaller businesses in the immediate localities.
- Continue to promote greater use of public transport and cycling through ongoing education and publicity.
- A need to recognise and provide suitable all day parking facilities for people with disabilities.

Recommendation: That the recorded comments form the basis of the responses from both Boards to the discussion document and that it be noted that a further opportunity for input by Boards will occur at the draft Strategy stage.

2. AIKMANS ROAD – PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTION

The Area Engineer reported on a proposal to apply a two hour parking restriction on the south west side of Aikmans Road from Akela Street to the common boundary of Nos. 60-64. This proposed action arose from the earlier submitted petition to the Board and the outcome of a survey undertaken of residents along the affected section of Aikmans Road.

Recommendation: That the parking of vehicles be restricted to a maximum period of one hundred and twenty minutes between the hours of 8.30am and 5.30pm on the south west side of Aikmans Road commencing at its intersection with Stirling Street and extending in a south westerly direction to the common boundaries of No.s 60/64 being a distance of two hundred and eighty-one and a half metres (281.5 metres).

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3. KENDAL AVENUE – PROPOSED RUMBLE STRIPS

The Area Engineer reported on a proposal to install rumble strips in Kendal Avenue on both approaches to the 90° bend at the Ambleside Drive intersection.

The objective was to bring about a reduction in vehicle speeds and that the success or otherwise of the installation would be reviewed after a years trial. The estimated cost of the work was \$800.

Recommendation: That the provision of four pairs of rumble strips in Kendal Avenue in the vicinity of Ambleside Drive be supported and that the proposal be recommended to the City Services Committee.

4. WILFRID STREET – REQUEST FOR KERB AND CHANNEL RENEWAL

Further to the petition received by the Board in March, the Area Engineer proposed that the renewal of the kerb and channel in Wilfrid Street be brought into the five year capital works programme by way of a substitution involving Webb Street.

The Committee noted that the Finance and Planning Committee had on 11 May, identified Harakeke Street as the possible substitution however it was subsequently found that Webb Street more closely aligned itself to Wilfrid Street in relation to the length of road involved and the budget provision.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

5. PARKHAM RESERVE – EUCALYPTUS TREES

The Committee considered a report from the Area Parks Officer in response to a request received for the removal of the gum trees in Parkham Reserve.

Subdivisional details as to how the trees were originally vested in the Council were explained and it was indicated that the four remaining eucalyptus trees were in a sound and healthy condition.

The matters of concern to the property owner regarding the seasonal affects of the trees were described along with details of the results of the public consultation undertaken. In this regard, a detailed transcript of all the comments received was circulated to members as background information.

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The concluding comments in the report were for the trees to be retained and an offer made to install plastic protective mesh over the spouting of the resident's house to stop leaves and flowering parts of the trees blocking the spouting.

The Committee was totally supportive of the trees being retained given the history associated with their vesting and the significant contribution the trees made to the local landscape.

A discussion then followed on the need for the Board given its ongoing involvement with tree issues, to undertake field visits to look at other areas where trees were under threat in parks and on streets.

An assessment as to value of trees located on both private and public land was mentioned as a means of highlighting the importance of trees and in so doing the potential for tree removal may be lessened. Also there should be a more co-ordinated approach taken to link more closely the aspects of preservation with ongoing care and maintenance involving not just the Council but the community at large. Such a process had the potential to limit the extent of requests for tree removal needing to be brought to the Council for a decision.

- Recommendations:**
1. That it be recommended to the Parks and Recreation Committee:
 - (a) That the existing eucalyptus trees in Parkham Reserve be retained while they remain in a healthy and stable condition.
 - (b) That protective mesh be installed on the residents spouting at the Council's cost, if the resident wishes to take up the offer.
 2. That a trees based field trip be undertaken by the Board and that staff consider and report back on the means of addressing the co-ordinated approach regarding tree retention referred to above.

6. CROFTON ROAD – SILVER BIRCH TREES

The Committee was advised of a petition earlier received from seven residents of Crofton Road requesting the progressive removal of silver birch trees and their replacement with another smaller growing species.

Details of the survey of residents undertaken by the Parks Unit were elaborated on and it was indicated that virtually all the existing trees were in a sound and healthy condition.

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Mention was made that some further steps could be taken to improve the shaping of some of the trees.

With regard to Poynder Avenue, the Committee was informed that the selected Magnolia street trees were likely to be unavailable due to a recently found disease and that pro-active steps were being taken by staff to source other suitable replacements. Arrangements were in hand to inform and involve the local residents in the selection process.

- Recommendations:**
1. That it be recommended to the City Services Committee that the residents request to replace the Silver Birch trees in Crofton Road be declined.
 2. That the existing trees be retained with the exception of the three Silver Birch and one Eucalyptus which should be removed in the near future.

The meeting concluded 9.48am

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations there in be adopted.

10. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – REPORT OF 17 MAY 2000

Officer responsible Community Advocate	Author Peter Dow, Community Secretary
Corporate Plan Output: Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Vol 1, 3.1 text 7.	

The purpose of this report is to submit for the Board's consideration, the following report and recommendations of the Committee meeting held on 17 May.

**Report of a meeting of the Community Services Committee
held on Wednesday 17 May 2000 at 4.00 pm
in the Board Room, Papanui Service Centre**

PRESENT: Mike Wall (Chairman), Sally Buck, Yiyi Ku, Barbara Stewart

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Diana Bradley, Keith Nuttall, and Ron Wright.

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1. **BRYNDWR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT – “STEPPING OUT” - REVIEW**

Sue Cobb, who had been engaged to undertake the review of the “Stepping Out” programme provided a verbal report to the Committee.

The review had addressed the following matters.

- Project pilot period/initial goals
- Benefits accrued – community/participants
- Project management and structure
- Participant recruitment process
- Course curriculum
- Staffing/volunteer utilisation

From the resulting discussion, it was **agreed** that an approach be made to the Canterbury Development Corporation to discuss the management and promotion of the Limited Service Volunteers scheme.

In addition, it was further **agreed** that the consultant’s review report be referred to the project’s Management Committee for its consideration in the first instance and report back to the Board via the Community Services Committee.

3. **FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY DIRECTORY**

As part of the SCAP outcomes a proposal was submitted to the Committee to publish a Fendalton/Waimairi community directory.

Members indicated their support for the proposed initiative and aspects relating to the style, format and content of the directory were discussed.

Recommendation: That the production of a Fendalton/Waimairi community directory be endorsed and the budget requirements for its production and distribution to the full community be ascertained and reported to the next meeting of the Board.

4. **ASIAN YOUTH PROJECT**

A report was submitted for information setting out progress to date with regard to the activities of the Asian Youth Working Party.

Also tabled for consideration were budget details associated with the operating costs of the engaged Asian Youth Co-ordinator amounting to \$6,600 covering the next 12 month period.

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The requested share from the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board was \$1,000 with the balance being met by the Riccarton/Wigram and Shirley/Papanui Community Boards (ie \$5,600).

Of the \$3,500 earlier allocated by the Board, it was suggested that the remaining \$2,500 be put towards the activities and programmes overseen by the Co-ordinator.

Members also acknowledged that it was timely to evaluate the structure and future direction of the project and in this regard it was **agreed** to further discuss these aspects with the Chairperson of the Working Party.

Details of the youth focused activities and services provided at the Avonhead Baptist Church and the existence of the Avonhead Community Trust were also referred to. In this regard it was **agreed** that an invitation be extended to the Trust to meet with the Committee at some stage.

Recommendation: That the allocation of the Board's \$3,500 to the Asian Youth project be confirmed as follows:

1. \$1,000 towards the operating budget of the Asian Youth Co-ordinator.
2. \$2,500 towards programmes and activities.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT GROUPS SEMINAR

An information report was submitted on the Police hosted seminar for Neighbourhood Support Group Co-ordinators, elected representatives, Council officers and other interest groups successfully held at Kaiapoi on 3 May.

At the conclusion of the seminar an interim committee was appointed to work towards establishing a Canterbury Neighbourhood Support Committee in time for the national Neighbourhood Support Group Conference in August.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

The meeting concluded at 6.05 pm

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

11. FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE – REPORT OF 10 MAY 2000

Officer responsible Community Advocate	Author Peter Dow, Community Secretary
Corporate Plan Output: Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Vol 1, 3.1 text 7.	

The purpose of this report is to submit the results of the Committee meeting of 10 May for adoption by the Board.

**Report of a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee
held on Wednesday 10 May 2000 at 12 noon
in the Board Room, Papanui Service Centre**

PRESENT: Sally Buck (Chairperson) Val Carter, Pat Harrow, Yiyi Ku,
Mike Wall

ALSO PRESENT: Barbara Stewart

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received and accepted from Keith Nuttall and Ron Wright.

2. SUBMISSION TO DRAFT COUNCIL PLAN 2000 EDITION

At its meeting on 2 May 2000, the Board provided the Committee with power to act to prepare and forward a submission on the Council's draft Plan for 2000/01 by the due date of 29 May.

The Committee noted that following this meeting, officers would develop a draft submission for circulation to Committee members for final comment if any, prior to being submitted to the Council.

Information gathered from a number of sources was utilised by the Committee in formulating the **attached** submission.

The Committee **resolved** that the submission prepared and submitted to the Council, be adopted.

**3. ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY – LOOKING AHEAD 2000-2008
- RESPONSE**

The Board had been invited by Environment Canterbury to comment on the draft Annual Plan and it was noted that with the period for responses closing on 15 May, a reply from this meeting would need to be forwarded now with the details to be confirmed by the Board on 30 May.

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The Committee reviewed the outputs section of the draft Plan arising from which the **attached** response was prepared.

Recommendation: That the action taken to prepare and forward to Environment Canterbury, comments on its draft Annual Plan for 2000, be confirmed.

4. REVIEW OF BASIS OF 2001 LOCAL BODY ELECTIONS – COMMUNITY BOUNDARIES AND COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Committee considered a report from the Council Secretary in which Community Boards had been invited to consider any possible changes in community boundaries and/or Community Board membership for possible implementation at the Council's next elections in October 2001.

The Community Advocate commented that in previous reviews of this kind, the Board had consistently resolved that the number of elected members should remain unchanged (ie six) and that there appeared to be no reason to seek any boundary changes with the adjacent three Board areas, namely Shirley/Papanui, Riccarton/Wigram and Hagley/Ferrymead.

The Committee agreed that there were no known concerns regarding the way in which the present system was operating and as such felt that the status quo remain as far as both issues were concerned.

Recommendation: That the status quo remain with regard to the membership of Boards and the boundaries of community areas.

The meeting concluded at 2.45 pm

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD

SUBMISSION

ON

DRAFT COUNCIL PLAN 2000 EDITION

INTRODUCTION

The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board welcomes the opportunity to make the following submission on the Council's Draft Plan for 2000, and beyond, and wishes to be heard in support of its submission.

In general terms, the Board believes the Council is exhibiting sound stewardship in respect of the Council's funds and in providing "value for money" for the City's ratepayers. The Board does however, note that there will be a requirement for continuing restraint in order that there are no annual rate increase beyond 2/2.5% over the next few years

**1. COMMUNITY BOARD FUNDING
(Pages 5, 6, 19 and 94)**

The Board endorses the increase provided for in the draft Plan and, in particular, for the allocation of this to be for the purpose of part funding of community (or similar) workers in community based organisations. As it happens the Board had recently received a request for funding for this purpose and had already agreed to provide a sum through its project funding for the 2000/01.

The Board is, equally, supportive of the criteria associated with the extra funding ie: for allocation in accordance with reasonable objectives and performance indicators associated with the project work established by the community based organisations.

Submission: That the Council confirm the additional allocation of project funding to Community Boards for the 2000/01 financial year.

**2. RATE INCREASE(S)
(Page 9 and 12)**

As mentioned in the introduction, the Board is complimentary to the Council for a moderate level of increase projected for the forthcoming year. The Board is, however, concerned to note that there are a number of future years where the level of rate increase is rather more than what may be acceptable. In particular, the levels of increase of 3.31% (2001/02), 4.78% (2003/04) and 3.58% (2004/05) are somewhat more than what should realistically be expected by the community. The Board would be supportive of the Council's further consideration of the forward expenditure forecast being reviewed with a view to reducing these projected increases to a more realistic and therefore acceptable, level.

The Board considers that the opportunity for use of some of the Orion repatriation funding could assist in this exercise.

Submission: *That the Council initiate an early smoothing, or similar, exercise with a view to reducing ongoing levels of rate increases to ones which are acceptable to the community.*

**3. UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE
(Page 16)**

In earlier years the Board has submitted that the Uniform Annual General Charge should be more than the present level, on the basis that all residents/ratepayers make use of an equally wide range of services provided by the Council. Because of this it would be more appropriate that the Uniform Annual General Charge should be more in the order of \$150-\$200 per annum.

Notwithstanding that the Board has noted that it is proposed that the Uniform Annual General Charge is to be increased to a level of \$124 per annum over a number of years. The Board would however suggest that it may be opportune to progressively move to a level of \$124 per annum, as suggested by the funding policy, over say the next three years.

Submission: *That in line with the earlier funding policy calculations that a Uniform Annual General Charge of \$124 be progressively attained over the next three financial years.*

**4. SALE OF ORION GAS NETWORK ASSETS
(Page 8)**

The Board is supportive of the prudent handling of the benefits arising from the sale of Orion's gas network assets. In particular the Board is supportive of all opportunities for the use of these funds being thoroughly researched and for a full consultative programme with the public being committed before decisions are finally made.

It is agreed that these capital funds should be protected for the long term benefit of the Christchurch residents.

Submission: *That the Council thoroughly research the most efficient use of these funds and that a full consultative programme be initiated before any expenditure commitments are made.*

**5. MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING COUNCIL SERVICES
(Page 19)**

The Board endorses the Council's decision to apply additional funds for the ongoing maintenance of existing Council services and to city streets in particular.

The Board has noted there is an additional \$35,000 for leaf collection in suburban streets, and that an additional sum of \$100,000 has been applied for landscape/streetscape maintenance.

The Board has noted recently with some concern that the standard of maintenance on city streets, including grass mowing, street tree maintenance and the emptying of rubbish bins, has been of a somewhat lower standard than in previous years and that this additional funding allocation recognises a need to improve the ongoing maintenance of basic services.

Submission: That the Council confirm the additional allocation of funds towards maintenance work in the city's streets.

**6. RECYCLING
(Page 19)**

The Board congratulates the Council for the ongoing growth in recycling services in the city.

The Board has noted the additional funding allocated for the kerbside collection of paper, kitchen waste and mixed plastics and endorses the proposal to extend the current level of recycling services in the community.

Submission: That the additional funding allocated for kerbside collection of recyclable products be confirmed by the Council.

**7. PUBLIC NOTICE ADVERTISING
(Page 7)**

In earlier discussions with its Residents Groups, the Board received a number of expressions of concern at the recent decision to transfer public notice advertising to the Christchurch Star. Of particular concern was the fact that the rural community were disadvantaged in this matter by virtue of there being no delivery of the Star in their areas.

While acknowledging that there has been a net saving in costs for Council advertising, the Board would ask that the Council review the recent changes with a view to ensuring that the best method of communicating with all of its community is being met.

Submission: *That the Council review the current policy with a view to ensuring that all residents in the city have ready access to public notice advertising.*

**8. UNDERGROUNDING OF OVERHEAD SERVICES
(Pages 33 and 78)**

The Board has, over a number of years, consistently requested that the Council seek the means whereby the undergrounding of overhead services can proceed at a pace which is more acceptable to the community.

The Board was pleased in the mid 1990's when a policy for the conversion of overhead services to underground was to be implemented over a period of 40 years. Unfortunately this timeframe appears to have been set aside in recent years. The Board is pleased though to now note that there is a current thinking that a 40 year period could be more appropriate and asks that the Council review the current policy, possibly with utilisation of some of the Orion Gas Network funding to endeavour to achieve a rate of undergrounding which will be more acceptable to the community at large.

Submission: *That the Council review the current commitment to the undergrounding of overhead services with an aim to achieve a period of 40 years for the conversion of all overhead services to underground.*

9. TELSTRA-SATURN CABLING PROJECT

The Board has noted the intention of Telstra-Saturn to commit a programme for extensive cabling in the city and notes that there will be many benefits to the city's ratepayers as a result of this programme.

The Board is concerned however that the project has the capacity to result in an untidy addition to the existing overhead networks of the city. While noting that Telstra/Saturn is intending to place services underground where undergrounding already exists, the Board asks the Council to ensure that where overheading is proposed the project provide a minimum impact on the community.

The Board also asks the Council to see that appropriate controls are put in place to ensure that trench restoration for undergrounded services is carried out to a very high standard.

Submission: *That the Council ensure that appropriate standards are in place to limit the level of visual pollution from the overheading programme and that trench restoration standards throughout the city's streets are of a very high standard.*

**10. HERITAGE BUILDINGS PRESERVATION
(Page 19)**

The Board endorses the additional grant provided to assist the retention of heritage buildings in the city.

The Board is however concerned that there needs to be some prioritising of buildings identified and efforts concentrated in respect of these particular buildings rather than the Council endeavouring to achieve the retention of every building presently (and in the future) identified in this way.

Submission: *That the additional emergency retention grant for heritage buildings of \$200,000 be confirmed by the Council.*

11. DECENTRALISATION OF COUNCIL SERVICES

In recent years the Board has expressed its concern over the degree of centralisation of Council services and of the resulting disadvantage to those in the community who require Council services in local suburban communities. In particular the Board in 1999 expressed its disquiet that ready public access to planning and building services were removed entirely from the Fendalton Service Centre.

The Board has noted that there is an upcoming review of the Council's needs for accommodation in the centre of the city. The Board would request the Council that the brief for this particular exercise, also evaluate any opportunities in providing for some decentralisation of Council services.

Submission: *That the present review of the accommodation needs in the central city also acknowledge the opportunity for providing for a decentralisation of appropriate services to enhance easier access for customers in the suburban areas.*

12. SCHOOL SPEED ZONES

The Board congratulates the Council on its efforts in receiving approval to conduct trials of school speed zoning in a number of suburban locations. The Board has noted a pleasing change in the attitude of motorists when using these zones.

The Board would be most supportive if further schools were identified for ongoing trial and submits that there would be a number of schools that would qualify in the Fendalton/Waimairi community based on the fact that almost half of the Christchurch schools are located in the north western area of the city.

Submission: *That the Council review any further opportunities for trialing school speed zones in the city, and that additional schools in the Fendalton/Waimairi community be identified if any further trialing is approved.*

**13. CYCLE LANES
(Pages 76 and 77)**

While the Board acknowledges and endorses the Council's policy in endeavouring to increase the number of cyclists in the city, it is of concern to note that the impact of providing cycle lanes, with the associated loss of on-street parking, is becoming an irritation in the community.

The Board fully endorses the provision of the Railway Cycleway project, and in recent years has gone to some lengths to identify an alternative cyclelane through the quieter streets of Merivale. Consistent in the Board's approach with these particular projects has been an acknowledgement that cycling on quieter streets etc is much safer than cyclists having to negotiate busy arterial roads.

The Board is presently dealing with a number of concerns in respect of the Fendalton Road and Rossall/Strowan cyclelane projects and is currently reviewing the best options which will enable safe cycling for all, particularly young children, in its community.

The Board therefore contends that there should be a review of the policy providing for cyclelane projects on main roads throughout the city.

Submission: *That the Council acknowledge that safe cycling is better achieved with cyclists using the quieter streets in the city and that the on-going provision of cyclelanes on main roads throughout the city be reconsidered.*

14. WILFRID STREET – PROJECT SUBSTITUTION

The residents of Wilfrid Street recently petitioned the Board seeking to have their street upgraded to a standard similar to that of the adjacent Barlow Street which was reconstructed in 1997/98.

As Wilfrid Street is currently not within the five year capital works programme the only means available for the Board to meet the wishes of the residents was to identify a substitution.

After due consideration, Webb Street, which is currently scheduled in 2003/2004, was selected by the Board.

Submission: *That Wilfrid Street kerb and channel renewal be substituted for Webb Street in 2003/04 which in turn sees Webb Street rescheduled in the five year programme to 2005/06, or earlier if possible.*

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ON
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In preparation for this submission the Board has examined the respective statements made under each of the 12 portfolios included in the document and has agreed on a number of comments relating to these.

AIR QUALITY

While the Board applauds Environment Canterbury in endeavouring to address issues of air quality in the city it does not consider that enough is presently being done to address one of the major factors. For a number of years the Board has contended that vehicle emission is a major contributor to air pollution, principally on account of many vehicles being very poorly tuned.

The Board would submit that Environment Canterbury should immediately implement dialogue with appropriate authorities with a view to achieving full vehicle emission testing at the time of warrant of fitness check-ups. The Board believes that this work should be implemented within the next three years.

CIVIL DEFENCE

While noting that various structures are being established in order that appropriate reaction can be initiated in a case of civil defence, the Board is concerned that access to a number of previously well established contributors to the cause of civil defence are continually being eroded as a result of government policies.

Of particular concern is the possibility that further restructuring and loss of personnel from South Island army establishments will mean that many important response resources could be lost in future years.

HARBOURS

The Board acknowledges the moves on the part of Environment Canterbury to ensure that adequate safety is available for all users.

The Board is, however, concerned that there are continuing breaches of safety and, in many cases, no appropriate means of identifying offending small craft. With a view to providing for a better identification of offenders the Board believes that the much talked about option for registration of small craft should be initiated as soon as possible and implemented as part of ongoing safe monitoring of users of our harbour areas.

LAND

The ongoing loss of arable land resulting from erosion is seen as a major issue.

In order that there be more sustainability in the city and its surrounds the Board believes that every effort should also be made to promote appropriate irrigation programmes which will in turn provide employment opportunities and overall economic benefits for the Canterbury region.

PEST MANAGEMENT

The Board is concerned to note that there are a number of recent incidents of an apparent upsurge in infestation from water rats in the city. The Board would ask Environment Canterbury that this matter be given early attention and that the premise that ongoing planting of native foliage adjacent to rivers and streams in the city being responsible for growth in the pest incidence, should be examined.

PUBLIC PASSENGER TRANSPORT

The Board applauds the recent efforts of Environment Canterbury to provide improved public passenger transport in the city and notes that there is some evidence of increased patronage resulting.

The Board does however, consider that the targets providing for 15% growth in patronage within the next three years and a further 90% growth in patronage over the next eight years appear rather unrealistic.

The Board would submit that Environment Canterbury continue with exploring the best means for enhanced public passenger transport in the city and also examine the options for providing for the use of Smart Cards to assist loading and unloading of passengers in future years.

The Board applauds Environment Canterbury for its move in extending the Orbiter service to complete the ring route around the city during the current financial year.

GENERAL

While noting the format adopted by Environment Canterbury for the formulation of its “Looking Ahead 2000-2008” document and in particular the use of outputs and outcomes to define the way ahead, the Board believes that there should be more attention provided toward the use of smarter performance indicators in order to aid a better measure of performance on an ongoing basis.

As a final comment the Board has noted that the document has been prepared in a predominantly mono-cultural format, not necessarily representative of our modern multi-cultural and diverse local society.

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12. DRAFT EVENTS STRATEGY

Officer responsible Leisure Manager	Author Alan Bywater
Corporate Plan Output: Events Contracted, Events Marketing & Research	

The purpose of this report is to seek the views of the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board on the Draft Events Strategy.

1. Background

The need for a more strategic approach to the Council’s involvement in festivals and events was identified last year and a process to develop an events strategy commenced in September 1999.

The Events Strategy aims to:

- Create a vision/direction for the city’s events industry.
- Identify goals and objectives.
- Identify potential partnerships between key stakeholders.
- Clarify the Council’s future roles within the events sector.

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To assist in the process of developing the strategy a small steering group was selected consisting of representatives of the following:

- Parks & Recreation Committee
- Canterbury & Christchurch Marketing Group
- Events Industry's NZQA educationalist
- Academic Expert/Consultant from the Events Industry
- Policy Directorate
- Leisure Unit Manager or his proxy

A series of workshops were held with a range of individuals and organisations involved in the events sector in Christchurch. The aim of these workshops was to identify the relevant issues that the Events Strategy should attempt to address. The results of the Focus Groups were used by the Steering Group to develop the Draft Events Strategy (**separately circulated**).

The views of stakeholders are being sought on the Draft Events Strategy until 16 June 2000. The views expressed will be used to revise the strategy and the intention is to forward a final Events Strategy to the Parks and Recreation Committee in July.

2. Draft Events Strategy

For the purposes of the Draft Events Strategy the term 'event' is taken to mean '*major celebrations, activities or displays of some theme, open to the public for a limited time only, that may reoccur annually or less frequently*'.

The draft strategy incorporates events that receive support from the Council in one or more of the following ways:

- Seed funding
- Ongoing funding
- Organisational or management support
- Assistance with proposals or bids.

The draft strategy has the vision: **Christchurch, the city of festivals, events and fun.**

It identifies three major goal areas that are closely aligned to the Festival and Events Policy, as follows:

Goal 1 Develop an infrastructure that supports a vibrant events sector in Christchurch.

This goal area deals with aspects of the Council's event funding and bidding processes along with the associated evaluation. It also focuses on making Christchurch an easy place to put on events, how the 'Be There' events calendar can be used to greater effect and how local sporting and artistic talent can be utilised in events.

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Goal 2 Maximise the contribution events make to the economic development of the city.

This goal area deals with the integration of events in to the overall marketing of the city, stimulating innovative events, generating local employment and developing local businesses through events.

Goal 3 Maximise the contribution events make to residents and visitors enjoyment of life in Christchurch.

The final goal area deals with the further refinement and development of Christchurch’s calendar of events. It also identifies the role festivals and events can play in promoting Maori and the city’s cultural diversity.

3. Conclusion

The views and feedback of the Fendalton Waimairi Community Board is sought on the Draft Events Strategy.

Recommendation: That the Board provide any suggestions and comments it has on the Draft Events Strategy.

Chairman’s

Recommendation: That the draft Events Strategy be endorsed and a request made that appropriate targets are met thereby ensuring “value for money” is achieved with the funding provided.

13. COMMUNITY GARDENING UPDATE

<p>Officer responsible Waste Manager</p>	<p>Author Eric Park, Solid Waste Engineer Muriel Bührs, Community Gardens Facilitator</p>
<p>Corporate Plan Output: Solid Waste</p>	

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with an update on progress since the concept of community gardening was reported in November 1999 and to seek this Board’s suggestions for the type of support it can provide to a local community garden in its area.

BACKGROUND

The initial report ‘Growing Communities – Organic Resources for Social Needs’ (**separately circulated as Attachment A**) was presented in November 1999. All Community Boards have expressed general support for the project. A sum of \$60,000 has been earmarked for this new initiative in the 2000/01 financial year.

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PROGRESS TO DATE

The following progress has been made since November 1999:

1. Establishment of pilot trials at four existing community gardens:
 - Linwood Community Garden (run by Linwood Resource Centre)
 - Pages Road Community Garden (run by Mature Employment Service, SuperGrans, Project Employment and Environmental Enhancement Programme)
 - Strickland Street Community Garden (run by Manuka Cottage)
 - Surrey Street Community Gardens (run by Te Whare Roimata)
2. Formation of an informal group of existing community garden co-ordinators.
3. Appointment of a temporary Community Gardens Facilitator in April 2000 to co-ordinate discussions with key stakeholders.
4. The Burwood/Pegasus Community Board has established a Community Garden Subcommittee to co-ordinate and support local community gardening initiatives, including a raised bed pilot trial with elderly residents.
5. Initiation of discussion with key interest groups eg Community Employment Group of Work and Income New Zealand, Canterbury Development Corporation, Wai-Ora Trust, Anglican Care, Parks Unit, and the Community Relations Unit of the Christchurch City Council.

EXPECTED BENEFITS

Although it is still too early for the final results of the community garden trials, they appear to have been successful. For example, an average of 4.5 kg per household per week has been collected by wheelbarrow from 15 households in Linwood. This waste is composted in the garden's existing composting operations and the weekly process, including collection, only takes an extra hour for a community garden worker. The community gardens participating in the pilot trial will be reporting back on the results of their trials in May/June 2000.

Another successful initiative in Christchurch is the Packe Street Community Garden. A group of local people wanting to save two trees in their neighbourhood worked closely with the Shirley Papanui Community Board to create a new park and community garden that is a "safe haven for children to play and a focus for the local community". The local co-ordinator, Peggy Kelly, believes that "the process of community building is as important as the provision of the park". In addition, the Council's annual maintenance costs are less than for other local parks of the same size.

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Benefits of community composting initiatives in Britain include the following, as outlined in Attachment B (**separately circulated**):

- **Environmental** – Locally composting waste on a small scale minimises pollution, maximises compost quality whilst replacing peat and promoting home composting.
- **Social** – Physical outdoor work, therapeutic for all, and a focus for community development .
- **Economic** – The creation of jobs and training opportunities.

WHERE TO FROM HERE?

The temporary Community Gardens Facilitator is currently working with key stakeholders to develop a detailed project outline to promote and enhance community gardens in Christchurch in the year commencing 1 July 2000.

A key component of this work is likely to be the close involvement of the Community Board in supporting local initiatives. It is suggested therefore that the Board consider whether it wishes to:

1. Appoint a Board member to “champion” community gardens in the Board area and act as a contact for information both locally and networking with other community gardening initiatives across the city;
2. Provide support for a key local garden/group which is able and willing to act as a demonstration garden for other groups wishing to establish a similar initiative (**See Attachment C, separately circulated**);
3. Where appropriate, provide support for selected new groups to establish local community gardening initiatives.
4. Integrate the above support with other Strengthening Communities Action Plan initiatives.

A further report will be prepared for the Board once a detailed project outline for expanding community gardening in Christchurch has been developed.

SUMMARY

Considerable progress has been made in co-ordinating information on existing community gardening initiatives in Christchurch. Discussion has been held with key stakeholders to develop the best method to expand community gardening to meet environmental (waste minimisation) and social goals publicly stated by the Christchurch City Council. A detailed project outline for expanding community

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Recommendation: That the Board consider and respond to the above initiatives.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the Board work closely with the local Community Trusts and garden clubs with a view to implementing community gardens initiatives, where possible.

14. PROPOSED NEW ROAD NAME MCLEANS ISLAND ROAD

Officer responsible Environmental Services Manager	Author Bob Pritchard
Corporate Plan Output: Subdivisions	

The purpose of this report is to gain the approval of the Board of a new road name.

WAI/98/324 Amherst Properties Limited, 16 McLeans Island Road - Waimairi Ward

This subdivision creates six new business zone allotments served by a new cul de sac, off McLeans Island Road. The name Eagle Place was approved by the Board in July 1998. The subdivision did not proceed and has now been sold. The new owner does not wish to use Eagle Place.

The name EXPORT AVENUE has been proposed. There is an existing cul de sac called Expo Place, in Bromley, however there is sufficient difference in pronunciation, and there should be no confusion with mail as the businesses in both roads will be using P O Box numbers.

Recommendation: That the name 'Export Avenue' be approved.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

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15. GOOD NEWS STORIES

16. QUESTIONS