

4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

4.1 CHRISTCHURCH YACHT CLUB – EROSION

Mr Michael J Timings, representing the Christchurch Yacht Club, has sought speaking rights at the Board meeting. Mr Timings outlines the concerns which he wishes to bring before the Board in the letter set out below:

“Further to our telephone conversation of last week, we enclose a copy of a letter dated 5 April 2000 from Mr K J Allan of the Council to us. With reference to this letter we comment as follows:

1. *The Club has not made an application to the Community Organisation Loan Scheme as further erosion has occurred around the structures for which the loan was sought. At this stage, after lengthy discussions within the Committee, it has been decided the whole issue of erosion around the Clubhouse needs to be resolved before the Club commits itself to any further major expenditure.*
2. *The Club also considers that before any meeting of interested persons is convened, the Council ought to give some indication as to who is to bear the costs of remedial work. The Club is reluctant to enter into discussions only to find out there is no commitment from the Council to preserve the land and there is an expectation the Club will bear the costs of all remedial work.*

Under the circumstances we request this matter be referred back to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board. Furthermore, we wish to be granted the right to appear and make submissions to the Board. In essence, the Club wishes to seek a recommendation from the Board to the Council to the effect the Council commits itself to preserving the land upon which the Clubrooms are located and bears the cost of any remedial work to be undertaken.

Would you please consider the contents of this letter and confirm accordingly.

Would you please treat this as a matter of urgency.”

Officers are seeking advice on this matter from the Legal Services Manager, and will have information available at the meeting for the guidance of the Board.