

## 14. MERIVALE JOINT WORKING PARTY – REPORT OF 12 DECEMBER 2000

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The purpose of this report is to submit for the Board's information, the report of the Joint Working Party meeting of 12 December as follows:

**Report of a meeting of the Merivale Joint Working Party  
held on Tuesday 12 December 2000 at 8.00am,  
in Meeting Room 1, CCC Fendalton**

**PRESENT:** Barbara Stewart (Chairman), Diana Bradley, Val Carter, Keith Nuttall, Ron Wright, Tony Hunter, Jeff Vesey, Gina Williamson, Tony Wallace, Paul Lonsdale

### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Colin Foggo, Pat Quinn and Tony Gemmill.

### 2. PROJECT UPDATES

#### 2.1 STREET FURNITURE

Officers reported that the replacement street furniture (seats and litter bins) for use in Papanui Road had been purchased and would be installed early in the new year.

#### 2.2 MERIVALE MALL CAR PARK – PERIMETER PLANTING

A concept plan was tabled detailing the existing plantings and proposed enhancements of the perimeter area bounded by Aikmans Road, Akela Street and Office Road. As earlier requested by the Working Party, the plan was based on a simple design and identified the legal boundaries between the Mall car park and the Council's land.

Key features of the plan were explained with it being noted that most of the existing landscaping would be kept with new plantings being undertaken principally along the Aikmans Road frontage. Some repositioning of the existing trees was proposed. Seating along the Aikmans Road frontage was also a feature.

The Working Party was in general agreement with the plan which now needed to be costed and referred to the owners of the Mall for their comment and involvement as a possible funding partner given the joint areas of land ownership involved.

It was **agreed** therefore that the above actions be taken and for costing details and the Mall's response to be reported back to the next meeting of the Working Party in the new year.

### 3. GENERAL BUSINESS

The following matters were raised as requiring attention and/or follow-up:

- Recycling bins – investigate provision and likely locations.
- Aikmans Road Mall entrance to car park re signage – under review.
- Topiary trees, Papanui Road – ensure ongoing maintenance continues, particularly over the forthcoming holiday period. Look also at carrying out some publicity as a means of enhancing civic pride and a willingness to attend to the wellbeing of the plants.
- Footpaths – survey requested as to the condition and maintenance needs of footpaths around the commercial area.
- Street cleaning – review present arrangements and frequency.
- Antique shop operations, Papanui Road re goods on footpath – refer to General Inspector for investigation.
- CMI Imaging/McDonalds – small plot of unkempt land – investigate with a view to tidying up.
- Leinster House – check on current status with land owners.
- Litter – to be followed up in the new year in partnership with local schools, businesses etc.
- St George’s Hospital redevelopment – major earthworks about to start in relation to the ward and clinical services block and the basement car park. On-site truck wash facilities requested and investigate the dewatering arrangements.
- Aikmans Road reconstruction – disappointment expressed at the lack of site preparation for the street landscaping with poor quality soil used and major areas of weed infestation. To be followed up on.

### 3. NEXT MEETING

It was **agreed** that the Working Party next meet on Wednesday 14 February 2001 at 8.00am.

The meeting concluded at 9.08 am

#### **Chairman’s**

**Recommendation:** That the report be received.