

9. MAIREHAU HIGH SCHOOL - PROPOSED RELOCATION

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The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the proposal to relocate Mairehau High School from its present site in Hills Road to a site east of Marshland Road.

BACKGROUND

Mairehau High School initiated the proposed relocation last year and sought the support of Council for the move. At the Board's meeting of 4 September 2000, the Board decided to support in principle the proposed relocation. The Minister of Education and the Mairehau High School Board of Trustees were informed of this decision. The matter has also been under consideration by the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

RECENT BRIEFINGS

Board members were briefed on the relocation proposal on 20 and 21 June 2001. On 20 June 2001, Graeme Pollock, Principal of Aranui High School, briefed Board members on the current direction of Aranui High and its views on the proposal.

On 21 June 2001, members of the Board discussed the proposal with members of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board and the Ministry of Education. The Ministry emphasised that no decision has been made on the proposal and no site has been purchased or is under negotiation for purchase.

A report was to be made to the Minister of Education by the Ministry at the end of June, outlining the initial views gathered from schools and other interested parties in the area. Further consultation with the wider community was intended.

Recommendation: That the information be received.

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- Recommendations:**
1. That the information be received.
 2. That the Board write to the Minister of Education, the Ministry of Education and the Mairehau High School Board of Trustees asking that the Board's letter of 19 October 2000 not be considered the Board's view until wider community consultation has been undertaken by the Ministry of Education.