

#### 4. CHRISTCHURCH CITY - CHANGES TO WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

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The purpose of this report is to inform members of the Subcommittee of the recent decision by the Christchurch City Council to change important parts of its waste management plan.

##### BACKGROUND

At the 14 May 2001 meeting of the Subcommittee a report was tabled setting out the changes that were proposed for the City's waste management plan. On 28 June 2001 the City resolved as follows:

- "1. That the Council reconfirm its commitment to waste minimisation and a zero waste goal.*
- 2. That the following vision, goal and targets, and definition of Real Costs, as proposed in this report be adopted.*

##### *Vision*

*That the whole community will manage solid waste in ways that:*

- ✓ avoid irreversible damage to the physical environment*
- ✓ minimise the adverse effects of solid waste management generally*
- ✓ use waste as a resource.*

##### *Goal*

- ✓ Zero Residual Disposal of solid waste.*

##### *Real Costs*

- ✓ The Real Costs are constraints that will impact on achieving the targets which are set in the Waste Management Plan as milestones towards attainment of the goal.*
- ✓ They include environmental, social, economic and legal costs.*

##### *Targets*

*That taking account of Real Costs, per capita waste to residual disposal be reduced as follows:*

- ✓ 90% of green waste and kitchen putrescibles received by the Council, by 2010*
- ✓ 80% of kerbside waste collected by the Council, by 2010*
- ✓ 65% minimum, 100% maximum, of the waste stream overall, by 2020.*

*Base year: 1994.*

*Target period: 25 years*

- 3. That the waste management plan be reviewed in 2002 incorporating the following:*
  - a division between commercial and domestic targets;*
  - targets for different types of waste stream materials (eg construction and demolition waste, hazardous waste, paper, putrescibles etc);*
  - five yearly review of targets or sooner should circumstances so require;*
  - how the outcomes sought will be achieved;*
  - a target for materials recovered;*
  - measures of the effectiveness of actions taken to avoid or minimise environmental damage;*
  - The requirements of, or the opportunities offered through, legislative change;*
  - A general review of the plan.*
- 4. That the Council develop a communications process to advise the public on recycling and waste disposal issues and receive feedback.*
- 5. That the Council support the Recovered Materials Foundation proposal to establish and facilitate a forum for community organisations and commercial firms to provide ongoing input on recycling and waste issues. "*

A copy of the accompanying report is attached for further information.

##### **Chairman's**

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