3. PETITION

A petition has been received from the Buccleugh Street Neighbourhood Support Group as follows:

"We, the undersigned, of Buccleugh Street, Linwood, do hereby request, in writing, an overlay as promised by contractors and engineers last year. A strip seal was laid during year 2000 to be followed by the overlay.

Mr Bob Todd has been championing our cause to no avail. He has informed us this is now most unlikely. We find this unacceptable. We would very much appreciate the Council re-thinking our request for the following reasons:

- Buccleugh Street is a well-used traffic thoroughfare for vehicles that travel between Cashel Street, Oliviers Road and Tuam Street.
- 2. The residents of Buccleugh Street are endeavouring to keep their properties in a clean, eye pleasant condition the street is an eyesore.
- 3. Whilst there is a number of flat type dwellings in the street, it is difficult to attract first home buyers when your first impact is Buccleugh Street.
- 4. All surrounding roads and streets have been brought up to a good standard, England Street, Cashel Street, Tuam Street, Oliviers Road, but not Buccleugh Street.
- 5. Previous contractors and engineers have stated Buccleugh Street is in a sorry condition and needs to be upgraded.

Like the western suburbs the eastern suburbs pay their rates as well.

It is appreciated how much work has been already completed in the east side however there is a long way to go. Our street is only a short one therefore budgeting costs should not be excessive.

We are a concerned caring community awaiting your favourable decision."

The Community Advocate reports: Barry Cook has been asked to prepare a report.