

10. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S REPORT

Resource Consent Applications/Decisions

Boon Street Bakery site, Colombo Street - as at 21 April 2001 a decision has not been made.

BP Service Centre – Hoon Hay/Sparks Road - further information has been requested regarding this application.

Pharmacy – 120 Sparks Road - an application to develop a new pharmacy at 120 Sparks Road is being assessed. This would be adjacent to the existing medical centre.

23 – 25 Hastings Street - an application has been received to develop a 21 unit apartment complex at this site.

Old Stone House – Annual General Meeting – 29 March 2001

After four years of very successful service David Buist did not stand again for election to the position of Chairman. His position is taken by Graham Strange.

Colombo Boulevard

Meeting with Sydenham Business and Community Association representatives and Environmental Policy and Planning Unit officers to discuss Enhancement Strategy for the Sydenham Business area. A presentation will be made to Spreydon/Heathcote and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards.

Aynsley Terrace/Garlands Road

On site meeting of City Streets Unit staff and residents, with Lynda Carter, to obtain further views on traffic issues in this area. Agreement was reached to:

1. Change the Give Way control to a Stop control at Aynsley/Garlands intersection.
2. Install both islands in the originally proposed positions.
3. Delete the proposed footpath on the riverbank.

Realignment of the kerb with the footbridge to avoid further encroachment on the riverbank will be investigated.

Telstra/Saturn – Node 39 – Huntsbury

Meeting of Telstra/Saturn, City Solutions and Huntsbury Residents' Associations representatives. Significant sections of Telstra/Saturn cabling in Huntsbury Avenue will be undergrounded. However, normal power reticulation will remain overhead.

Sustainable Households

The Board allocated \$1500 of its 2000/2001 Discretionary Fund to this programme which is being developed for city wide and ultimately national implementation. Two workshops have now been held covering power consumption, water resources, impacts of "consumerism" on costs and use of resources.

Sydenham Business Association Meeting

The Association is working with the new Sydenham Heritage Trust to reprint the history "Sydenham – a Model Borough" compiled in the 1960's by the Federation of University Women.

The Association intends promoting Sydenham as a speciality shopping area and will approach property owners seeking their support for this strategy which they see as the only effective means of revitalising the retail area.

Annual Plan Briefing

A briefing was held on 19 April 2001. Copies of the draft Annual Plans and the Strategic Statement are being circulated to all Residents', Community and other interested groups, together with invitations to attend the meetings on Thursday 3 May 2001 at the Cashmere Club and Tuesday 8 May 2001 at the Hoon Hay Club. Both meetings will be at 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm.

Community Pride Garden Competition

Presentations were held at the Cashmere Club and Hoon Hay Club on 10 April 2001. Thirty five awards were made in Heathcote, and twenty four in the Spreydon ward.

Staff are reviewing the administration and operation of the scheme.