

7. REVIEW OF CONSTITUTING AGREEMENT

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The purpose of this report is to recommend that the existing Constituting Agreement be updated.

The foundation document for the Canterbury Joint Standing Committee and the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee is the *Constituting Agreement* which was drafted in 1999 and signed by all 10 member councils. Two years on the agreement should be reviewed to ascertain whether it still reflects the current needs of the participating Councils. An example of a clause that needs review is the issue of operating expenditure in Clause 3 of the Agreement which is not appropriate as the Subcommittee does not deal with operational expenditure. This change to Clause 3 has already been made by Christchurch City when its delegations were adopted on 8 November 2001.

It is suggested that a Review Working Group be established to report to the Subcommittee at the 11 March 2002 meeting. It is therefore recommended that a working group consisting of a Christchurch City representative, a representative from the rural councils and relevant staff be appointed.

Recommendation: That a Constituting Agreement Working Party be established to review and recommend enhancements to the Constituting Agreement and that it consist of a Christchurch City representative, a representative from the rural councils, and relevant staff.

Chairman's Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted and a review of the agreement be undertaken for the reasons as stated above.