

6. ROBERT McDOUGALL ART GALLERY - LOCAL BILL

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The purpose of this report is to seek the reappointment of the Robert McDougall Subcommittee to hear public submissions on the above Bill.

At its June 2001 meeting the Council resolved to declare its intention to promote a local Bill which would enable the Robert McDougall Art Gallery to be used by the Canterbury Museum Trust Board for the display of works of art or the display of similar items. The Council also resolved that the views of the public be sought on this proposal and alternative compatible uses.

Regarding the latter resolution, Councillors will be aware there is currently a consultation process underway with the community regarding the alternative compatible uses to be included in the Bill to be promoted by the Council.

The Council has requested that submissions on such alternative compatible uses be forwarded to it by Friday 12 April 2002. The Council had established a Subcommittee comprising Councillors Anderton, Evans, James and Howell, to hear those submissions and report back to the Strategy and Resources Committee with recommendations as to what alternative compatible uses should be included in the Bill.

Given that the Subcommittee was discharged after the recent local body elections, it is necessary to re-establish the Subcommittee to hear the public's submissions. It would not be appropriate for members of the Museum Trust Board to serve on this Subcommittee.

Recommendation: That the Robert McDougall Art Gallery Subcommittee be reappointed to hear public submissions as to alternative compatible uses and make a recommendation to the Strategy and Finance Committee.

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- Recommendation:**
1. That the above recommendation be adopted.
 2. That the Subcommittee comprise Councillors James (Chair), Evans and Corbett.