

## 10. PROPOSAL TO SELL SURPLUS LAND ON THE HILLMORTON HOSPITAL SITE

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of correspondence received from the Canterbury District Health Board regarding the proposed disposal of surplus land on the Hillmorton Hospital site.

The surplus land consists of two parcels (lots 5 and 2) totalling 22.23 hectares (see attached plan). The Canterbury District Health Board proposes to retain 23.25 hectares of the land on the site where current services will continue to be provided, and will not be affected by the surplus land sale.

The surplus land on this site has already been offered for sale (in 2000 by Healthlink South Limited), however, the sale did not proceed. In the intervening years the Canterbury District Health Board has reassessed the boundaries between the surplus land and the land to be retained, and confirms that the 22.23 hectares continues to be surplus to needs.

District Health Boards have a statutory obligation to ensure they are aware of the views of their resident population before approaching the Minister of Health for approval to sell any land, and are therefore seeking submissions from interested parties. If the Minister of Health approves the proposal to sell the land, the monies obtained from the sale will be used for the purchase, improvement or extension of publicly owned health and disability facilities and to enable the Canterbury District Health Board to improve the services it provides to the residents of Canterbury.

Submissions on the proposed disposal of surplus land on the Hillmorton Hospital site close at 5.00 pm on Friday 2 April 2004.

It should be noted that the Board has allocated \$2,000 from its 2004/05 Project Fund to investigate the Hillmorton Hospital site as a potential heritage park area.

### **Staff**

**Recommendation:** That the Board refer the submission booklet on the proposed sale of surplus land on the Hillmorton Hospital site to its Finance & Policy Committee meeting scheduled for 18 March 2004, in order to formulate a submission and report back to the Board's 23 March 2004 meeting.

### **Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the staff recommendation be supported. In addition to the above, the Finance and Policy Committee also consider previous reports on the Hillmorton Hospital (Sunnyside) reserves (May 2001).