

4. URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (UDS) - UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF THE UDS ELECTED MEMBERS WORKING PARTY ON THE UDS BRIEF

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The purpose of this report is to:

- Update the Committee on the progress of the Urban Development Strategy Elected Members Working Party in developing the Brief for the UDS in concert with other TLAs

Four members of this Committee (Chair Buck, Councillors Williams, O'Rourke and Wells) were appointed to the Urban Development Strategy Working Party to progress discussions with adjoining Councils and Environment Canterbury on a 'Brief' and 'Terms of Reference' for the UDS. The UDS Working Party has met twice (30 January 2004 and 17 February 2004), with a final draft brief to go to a meeting scheduled on 11 March 2004.

The intention of the meeting on 11 March 2004 will be to recommend the brief for adoption by respective Councils. Ideally, for Christchurch City Council, this adoption would occur at the March 2004 Council meeting to enable progress on the collaborative work programme.

To meet the March 2004 meeting schedule, staff recommend that the brief adopted by the UDS Elected Members Working Party be reported to the Council's Strategy and Finance Committee meeting on 15 March 2004.

A copy of the draft brief as it currently stands is attached for the information of members.

Staff

Recommendation: That to meet the March 2004 meeting schedule for consideration by Council, the brief adopted by the UDS Elected Members Working Party be reported to the Council's Strategy and Finance Committee meeting on 15 March 2004.

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Recommendation: That this Committee use this opportunity to raise issues regarding the draft and that the final brief be ratified by Strategy and Finance Committee to meet the March 2004 Council meeting.