

**LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD  
AGENDA**

**TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2009  
AT 9.30 AM**

**IN THE MEETING ROOM  
LYTTELTON SERVICE CENTRE  
33 LONDON STREET, LYTTELTON**

**Community Board:** Paula Smith (Chairperson), Jeremy Agar (Deputy Chairperson), Douglas Couch; Ann Jolliffe, Dawn Kottier and Claudia Reid,

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**1. APOLOGIES**

**2. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES**

**2.1 ORDINARY BOARD MEETING 5 AUGUST 2009**

The Minutes of the Board's ordinary meeting of 5 August 2009 are **attached**.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Board's ordinary meeting held on 5 August 2009 be confirmed.

**2.2 ORDINARY BOARD MEETING 18 AUGUST 2009**

The Minutes of the Board's ordinary meeting of 18 August 2009 are **attached**.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Board's meeting (both open and public excluded sections) held on 18 August 2009 be confirmed.

**LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD  
5 AUGUST 2009**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board,  
held on Wednesday 5 August 2009 at 9.30am  
in the Meeting Room, Lyttelton Service Centre, 33 London Street, Lyttelton.**

**PRESENT:** Paula Smith (Chairperson), Jeremy Agar (Deputy Chairperson), Doug Couch, Ann Jolliffe, Dawn Kottier, and Claudia Reid.

**APOLOGIES:** Nil.

The Board reports that:

**PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD**

**1. LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING 2009/10 ALLOCATIONS**

The Board considered a report to allocate the Strengthening Communities Funding available to it for 2009/10. Staff advised of a correction to paragraph four in the report, applications totalling \$135,843 were received.

Revised staff recommendations were tabled to allocate the revised amount of \$42,372 resulting from the Council decision of 23 July 2009 to reduce the Strengthening Communities Fund for Community Boards in 2009/10 by 5.84 per cent.

The Board **resolved** to approve the allocations recommended for its 2009/10 Strengthening Communities Funding, as follows:

No.	Group	Project	Board Decision
1	Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board	Neighbourhood Week	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,000 to the Community Services Unit to administer the Neighbourhood Week events fund.
2	Lyttelton Community House Trust	Community House	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$9,497 to the Lyttelton Community House Trust as a contribution towards salary, rent and administration.
3	Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board	ANZAC Day	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$2,810 to the Democracy Services Unit for ANZAC Day commemorative services in 2010 in Lyttelton and Diamond Harbour respectively.
4	Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board	Newsletter	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,065 to the Democracy Services Unit for production of ten OnBoard newsletters.

No.	Group	Project	Board Decision
5	Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust	Community Support Worker	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$9,550 to the Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust towards youth worker salary.  (Note: Paula Smith declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)
6	Project Lyttelton	Lyttelton Community Garden	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$2,500 to Project Lyttelton towards the cost of wages for the community garden.  (Note: Division 1 below)  (Note: Dawn Kottier declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)
7	Whakaraupo Carving Centre Trust	Carving Centre Project – Support Worker	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$6,000 to the Whakaraupo Carving Centre Trust towards the salary of a support worker, subject to the Trust securing the additional funding to enable the project to proceed.  (Note: Dawn Kottier declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)
8	Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board	Community Handbook	The Board <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$9,950 to the Democracy Services Unit for the set up and distribution of the community handbook.
9	Project Lyttelton	Opawa Organic Farm and Ellerslie Flower Show Preparations	The Board <b>resolved</b> to decline the request from Project Lyttelton.
10	Lyttelton West School	Community/School Art Project	The Board <b>resolved</b> to decline the request from Lyttelton West School.  (Note: Doug Couch declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)

### Item 6 Project Lyttelton

Jeremy Agar moved that the Board make a grant of \$2,500 to Project Lyttelton towards the cost of wages for the community garden.

The motion was seconded by Ann Jolliffe, and on being put to the meeting, the recommendation was declared **carried** on division No. 1 by 3 votes to 1, the voting being as follows:

**For (3):** Jeremy Agar, Ann Jolliffe, Claudia Reid.  
**Against (1):** Paula Smith.  
**Abstain (1):** Doug Couch.

**2. SMALL TOWN CONFERENCE 2009 – BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDANCE**

The Board **resolved** that no members would attend the Small Town Conference in Kaiapoi from 16-18 September 2009.

The meeting concluded at 10.30am.

**CONFIRMED THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009**

**PAULA SMITH  
CHAIRPERSON**

**LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD  
18 AUGUST 2009**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board  
held on Tuesday 18 August 2009 at 9.33am in the Meeting Room  
of the Lyttelton Service Centre, 33 London Street, Lyttelton.**

**PRESENT:** Paula Smith (Chairperson), Jeremy Agar, Douglas Couch,  
Ann Jolliffe, Dawn Kottier, and Claudia Reid.

**APOLOGIES:** An apology was received and accepted from Claudia Reid who  
departed at 11.55am and was absent for Clauses 8, 10 and 11.

The Board reports that:

**PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

**1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

**1.1 CHRISTINE DANN**

Christine Dann addressed the Board regarding the possible purchase by the Council of the Purau headland adjacent to Ripapa Island, and its protection as a public reserve and park. Dr Dann outlined concerns expressed by Harbour residents regarding the prospect of further urban development of Lyttelton Harbour headlands and the loss of valuable heritage, geological, natural and recreation sites such as Purau headland and Ripapa Island. Dr Dann presented the Board with a petition containing 270 signatures. The petition stated:

*"SAVE PURAU PENINSULA*

*We, the undersigned, ask Christchurch City Council to **purchase** the property at Camp Bay Road (Lot 1, DP81018) for the purpose of creating a **reserve** to protect the landscape, natural and cultural values of this significant headland, and secure public use and enjoyment of the land in perpetuity."*

The petition was accompanied by a presentation highlighting the benefits of purchasing the land for public use, and an explanation of the values associated with the area. Letters of support were also attached.

(Clause 3 of these minutes refers)

**1.2 SERGEANT PHIL NEWTON**

Sergeant Newton addressed the Board and provided statistics for the Lyttelton area. He reported that a ten per cent reduction in house burglaries had occurred over the previous year and a focus would now be made on thefts from motor vehicles, particularly those parked on back streets of Lyttelton. He reported on the recent search and rescue operation for a local missing person and expressed thanks from the family concerned for the considerable community effort put into finding their family member. Police staffing levels at Lyttelton are to remain the same and they would be endeavouring to provide a regular presence of staff at the Lyttelton Farmers' Market and the Youth Group.

Sergeant Newton also reported that there had been an improvement in local inter-agency work, with the Lyttelton Tunnel Control Authority, Police, Port Company Security and Customs all working well together.

## 2. CORRESPONDENCE

The Board **received** the following correspondence:

- 2.1 A letter from the Lyttelton Harbour Landscape Protection Association requesting the Board make a submission to buy the headland at Purau with a view to protecting it as a public reserve.

It was **decided** to refer the correspondence to staff for advice and comment.

- 2.2 A letter from the Uniquely Purau Society requesting the Board make a request to the Council to consider the purchase of the Purau Headland to be used as a reserve

It was **decided** to refer the correspondence to staff for advice and comment.

- 2.3 A letter from the Charteris Bay Residents Association expressing concern over a number of road safety issues in the Charteris Bay area.

It was **decided** to refer the correspondence to staff with a request that they investigate the concerns, take action where necessary, and provide comment back to the Board on the outcome of their investigations.

## 3. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Item 1.1 refers.

The Board **received** the Petition presented during the Deputations section of the meeting, and Councillor Reid agreed to convey it to the Council.

## 4. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

## 5. MINUTES OF LYTTELTON RESERVES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Board **received** the minutes of the Lyttelton Reserves Management Committee meeting held on 3 August 2009.

## 6. BRIEFINGS

### 6.1 LIBRARIES BANK PENINSULA CONSULTATION

Rosemary Nicholls (Community Libraries Manager) updated the Board on the recent Libraries consultation with Banks Peninsula residents. Members were informed that the consultation had been very successful and had identified initiatives that could be instigated now and for future reference. Documentation was tabled for members' information.

### 6.2 STEADFAST RESERVE GRAZING

Trevor Partridge (Botanist, Asset and Network Planning Unit) briefed the Board on the grazing regime for Steadfast Reserve. He advised that the cattle have now been removed and due to the damage and erosion caused, will no longer be grazed in the Reserve. It is proposed that sheep will be grazed at a low density as a method of controlling the weed and fire risk concerns.



## 6. Cont'd

Mr Partridge also advised that separate development plans would be made for each of the Lyttelton Harbour Reserves, which would then be integrated into the overall Port Hills Strategy. The Port Hills Strategy document should be presented to the Board in October 2011 before going out to consultation and being signed off in July 2012.

### 6.3 LYTTELTON RESERVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Gary Broker, Chairman of the Lyttelton Reserve Management Committee, and Ms Kay Holder (Team Leader Regional Parks) attended the meeting to discuss management issues for the Whakaraupo and Urumau Reserves. Mr Broker expressed concern that there had been provision for cattle grazing on Whakaraupo Reserve, similar to Steadfast Reserve and advised the Board of the Committee's opinion that they could control weeds and fire risk without a grazing regime. He reported that this issue had been worked through with Council staff and a satisfactory conclusion had been reached. Ms Holder reiterated the Council's full support for the Committee and its work.

## 7. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

7.1 The Board **received** information from the Community Board Adviser on forthcoming Board related activities and projects. Specific mention was made of the following matters:

- **July Update on Local Capital projects**  
Board members noted that this update appeared to be out of date as the status of some of the projects was incorrect, with some projects having already been completed.
- **Replies to Board Requests – Lyttelton Cemeteries**  
Members were advised that only one year's space was available for burials at both Lyttelton cemeteries but spaces for ashes were available.

It was **decided** to request that staff brief the Board on the situation regarding available space in Lyttelton cemeteries.

- **Replies to Board Requests – Governors Bay Jetty**  
Members were advised that a new pile is scheduled to be installed during August and the jetty is safe to use in the meantime.

## 8. BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

### 8.1 MEMBERS' INFORMATION

Specific mention was made of the following matters:

- **Diamond Harbour Community Early Childhood Centre**  
The Board **requested** information regarding the timing of investigations looking at suitable sites for the Early Childhood Centre.
- **Disability Access for Diamond Harbour Ferry**  
The Board **requested** that staff investigate the provision of disabled access at the Diamond Harbour Wharf to allow wheelchair users to use the ferry service.

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- **Green Waste Dumping**  
The Board was informed that there appeared to be a considerable increase in the amount of green waste being dumped around the harbour and in reserves.  
  
It was **decided** to include an item on this problem in the next Board newsletter.
- **Roadside Weeds**  
The Board **requested** information on who was responsible for the eradication of roadside weeds.

**9. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**

Nil.

**PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD****10. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES – BOARD MEETING OF 14 JULY 2009**

The Board **resolved** that the minutes of its ordinary meeting held on 14 July 2009 be confirmed, subject to the following amendment.

Page 3, Item 14 - Delete: "*investigate*"                      Insert:                      "*arrange for the and of*"

*The Board **decided** to request that staff ~~investigate~~ **arrange for the** cutting back **of** vegetation causing visibility problems on the south eastern corner of Ticehurst Terrace to further improve traffic safety at this intersection.*

**11. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE - continued****11.1 Community Facilities Network Vision Submission**

The Board **resolved** to adopt the submission made to the Community Facilities Network Vision.

**12. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC**

The Board **resolved** that the resolution to exclude the public, as set out in the agenda, be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 12.28pm.

**CONFIRMED THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009.**

**PAULA SMITH  
CHAIRPERSON**

**3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

**3.1 MR JOHN CLEAVER – LYTTTELTON GAOL TRUST**

Mr John Cleaver wishes to address the Board regarding the Lyttelton Gaol Trust

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**5. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS**

Nil.

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil.

**7. LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD SMALL GRANTS FUND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

A copy of the minutes from the 13 August 2009 meeting of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee are **attached** for members information.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee meeting held on 13 August 2009 be received.

**LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD  
SMALL GRANTS FUND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE  
13 AUGUST 2009**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board's  
Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee  
held on Thursday 13 August 2009 at 2.30pm in the Board Room,  
Lyttelton Service Centre, 33 London Street, Lyttelton.**

**PRESENT:** Wendy McKay (Chairman), Andrea Bowater (Deputy Chairperson), Jeremy Agar, Douglas Couch, Ann Jolliffe and Dawn Kottier.

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Paddy Chrisp and Wendy Everingham.

An apology was received and accepted from Jeremy Agar who left the meeting at 3.40pm and was absent for voting on Clauses 1 and 2.

The Committee reports that:

**PART C - DELEGATED DECISIONS**

**1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Committee **resolved** that it delegate authority to the Committee Chairperson and the Community Board Deputy Chairperson to confirm the minutes of the meeting.

**2. LYTTELTON/MT HERBERT SMALL GRANTS FUND - 2009/10**

The Board considered a report to allocate the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Small Grants Fund for 2009/10.

The Board **resolved** to approve the allocations of its 2009/10 Small Grants Fund, as follows:

<b>No.</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Committee Decision</b>
1.	Diamond Harbour Districts Croquet Club	Greens mowing.	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,000 to the Diamond Harbour Districts Croquet Club as a contribution towards the mowing of the greens.
2.	Diamond Harbour OSCAR After School Care Trust	Recreation Equipment	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$800 to the Diamond Harbour OSCAR After School Care Trust as a contribution towards the purchase of outdoor recreation equipment.
3.	Lyttelton Anglican Parish	Christmas Tree Lighting and Community Carols	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$700 to the Lyttelton Anglican Parish as a contribution towards the installation and dismantling of the Christmas Light display and carols for the 2009/2010 festive season.

No.	Group	Project	Committee Decision
4.	Lyttelton Community House Trust	Soup Kitchen Parihaka 2009 Matariki Celebration 2010	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,200 to the Lyttelton Community House Trust as a contribution towards the costs of ingredients and materials for the Soup Kitchen, Parihaka Commemoration and Matariki Celebration.
5.	Lyttelton Harbour Basin Youth Council Incorporated	Youth Camp and Boys and Girls Development activities	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$2,800 to the Lyttelton Harbour Basin Youth Council Incorporated towards the costs of their Youth Camp and towards the Boys and Girls development activities.  (Note: Dawn Kottier declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)
6.	Lyttelton Information and Resource Centre Trust	Strengthening Local Visitor Networks	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,000 to the Lyttelton Information and Resource Centre Trust towards the salary of a Development Manager to enable co-ordination.
7.	Lyttelton Torpedo Boat Museum Trust	Lyttelton Torpedo Boat Museum Insurance	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,000 to the Lyttelton Torpedo Boat Museum towards the costs of their annual insurance premium.  (Note: Jeremy Agar declared a conflict of interest and took no part in the voting on this application.)
8.	Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust	Woodwork Classes	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$800 to the Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust towards the costs of materials, tutoring and venue hire for woodwork classes.
9.	Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust	Cooking Classes	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$1,400 to the Mt Herbert (Diamond Harbour) Under 20 Trust towards the costs of materials, tutoring and venue hire for cooking classes.
10.	Transition Harbour Project (Foods Group)	Kitchen Garden Project	The Committee <b>resolved</b> to make a grant of \$900 to the Transition Harbour Project (Foods Group) towards the purchase of kits of tools and ingredients for a community meal.



## 8. EXETER STREET – PROPOSED TRAFFIC SAFETY CONTROLS

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	Jane Parfitt, General Manager City Environment
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Alan Beuzenberg, Transport and Greenspace Manager, DDI 941 8096
<b>Author:</b>	Mark Millar, Network Operations, DDI 941 5289

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval that Keep Left signs and centreline markings be placed at each end of the split gradient island in Exeter Street, a No Right Turn sign and a Turn Left Only sign be placed against Cornwall Road at its intersection with Exeter Street and the existing diverge chevron board be replaced by a left directional chevron board.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council Network Operations Team has received a request from a local resident, following his involvement in a collision at the intersection, that traffic safety be improved at the intersection of Cornwall Road and Exeter Street. Please refer to **Attachment 1**.
3. Exeter Street and Cornwall Road are both local roads on the Lyttelton hillside. To enable Exeter Street to intersect with Cornwall Road, Exeter Street has been split into two narrow carriageways by a steep island, with the carriageway on the northern side of the island rising up to meet Cornwall Road. Refer **Attachment 2**.
4. Vehicles travelling along Exeter Street in either direction should keep to the left of this island. This means vehicles travelling westbound should use the low side of the island and vehicles travelling eastbound should use the high side. At present, as can be seen in **Attachment 2**, this is not clear for vehicles travelling eastbound.
5. Currently, a vehicle travelling westbound along Exeter Street and intending to turn right into Cornwall Road is able to go up the single lane carriageway on the right hand side of the island to access Cornwall Road. This creates a dangerous situation if there is a vehicle on Cornwall Road approaching the intersection with Exeter Street and wanting to turn left. This driver will look to his right to check for oncoming traffic, not expecting a vehicle to be coming from his left, effectively on the wrong side of the road. The steepness of the Exeter Street carriageway on the right hand side of the island also means that the driver of the vehicle coming up this carriageway has restricted visibility of the vehicle exiting Cornwall Road.
6. A similar situation occurs with vehicles turning right out of Cornwall Road into Exeter Street, as they effectively drive the wrong way along the narrow upper carriageway of Exeter Street until the end of the island.
7. There are currently no signs at either end of the island on Exeter Street to prevent the current confusion. At the end of Cornwall Road there is a black and white chevron sight board with arrows pointing in both directions indicating a driver can turn left or right.
8. This proposal will install Keep Left signs at each end of the Exeter Street Island, with a length of centreline marked at both ends of the island and a lane arrow marked on the upper carriageway. A No Right Turn sign and a Turn Left Only sign will be installed against Cornwall Road and the existing diverge chevron sight board will be replaced by a new yellow and black chevron board with arrows indicating left only.
9. This proposal will improve the safety of road users in Exeter Street by clarifying on which side of the island they should travel and increase safety at the Exeter Street and Cornwall Road intersection by preventing the potential conflict. Refer **Attachment 3**.
10. No consultation has been undertaken with local residents as this is considered to be a safety issue. However, the public will be notified via the local newspaper, the Bay Harbour News, prior to the installation of the new signs and markings.



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### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

11. The estimated cost of this proposal is approximately \$1500.

#### Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

12. Yes. The installation of road markings and signs is within the LTCCP Streets and Transport Operational Budgets.

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

13. The Community Boards have delegated authority from the Council to exercise the delegations as set out in the Register of Delegations dated April 2008. The list of delegations for the Community Boards includes the resolution of parking restrictions and Traffic Control Devices.
14. The installation of any signs and/or markings associated with traffic control devices must comply with the Land Transport Rule: Traffic Control Devices 2004.

#### Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

15. As above.

### ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

16. Aligns with the Streets and Transport activities by contributing to the Council's Community Outcomes-Safety and Community.

#### Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

17. Yes – page 80 of the LTCCP

*Planning, building and maintaining the public road network, including: — traffic services and safety programmes*

### ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

18. The recommendations align with the Council Strategies including the Road Safety Strategy 2004 and the Safer Christchurch Strategy 2005.

#### Do the recommendations align with the Council's Strategies?

19. As above.

### CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

20. No consultation has been undertaken with local residents as this is considered to be a safety issue. However, the public will be notified via the local newspaper, the Bay Harbour News, prior to the installation of the new signs and markings.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

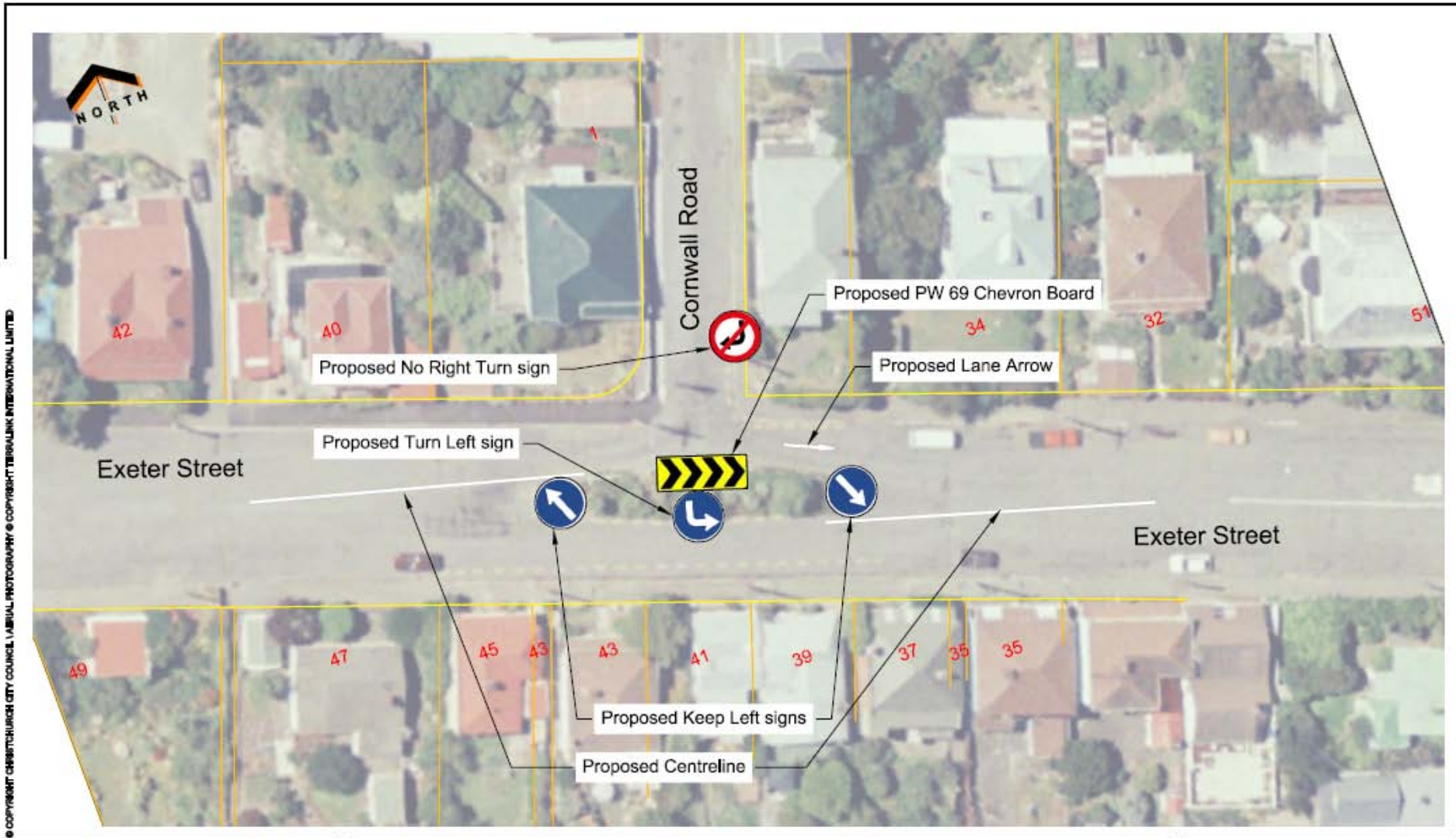
It is recommended that the Lyttelton/Mount Herbert Community Board:

Approve the following:

- (a) That a Keep Left sign be placed at each end of the island on Exeter Street between Dublin Street and Canterbury Street.
- (b) That a centreline be marked at each end of the island on Exeter Street between Dublin Street and Canterbury Street.

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- (c) That a Lane Arrow be marked at the eastern end of the Exeter Street upper carriageway.
- (d) That a No Right Turn sign and a Turn Left Only sign be installed against Cornwall Road at its intersection with Exeter Street.
- (e) That a yellow and black Chevron Board with arrows indicating left only be installed at the end of Cornwall Road at its intersection with Exeter Street.
- (f) That the public be notified via the local newspaper, the Bay Harbour News, prior to the installation of the new signs and markings.



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**EXETER STREET**  
 Proposed Traffic Safety Control  
 For Board Approval

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Exeter Street Looking West



Exeter Street Looking East

## Exeter Street Traffic Safety Improvements

Following a recent collision at the intersection of Exeter Street and Cornwall Road in Lyttelton, the Council are proposing to make traffic safety improvements at this intersection.

To enable Exeter Street, which runs across the hillside, to meet with Cornwall Road, which comes down the hill, Exeter Street has been split into 2 narrow carriageways by a steep island, with the carriageway on the northern side of the island rising up to meet Cornwall Road.

Currently, a vehicle travelling westbound along Exeter Street and intending to turn right into Cornwall Road, is able to go up the single lane carriageway on the right hand side of the island to access Cornwall Road. This creates a dangerous situation if there is a vehicle coming down Cornwall Road approaching the intersection with Exeter Street and wanting to turn left. This driver will look to his right to check for oncoming traffic, not expecting a vehicle to be approaching from his left, effectively on the wrong side of the road. The steepness of the Exeter Street carriageway on the right hand side of the island also means that the driver of the vehicle coming up this carriageway has restricted visibility of the vehicle exiting Cornwall Road. A similar situation occurs with vehicles turning right out of Cornwall Road into Exeter Street, as they effectively drive the wrong way along the narrow upper carriageway of Exeter Street until the end of the island.



There are currently no signs at either end of the island on Exeter Street to prevent the current confusion, and at the end of Cornwall Road there is a black and white chevron board with arrows pointing in both directions indicating a driver is able to turn left or right.

To clarify which side of the Exeter Street island motorists should travel, the Council propose to install Keep Left signs at each end of the island. A length of centreline will also be marked at both ends of the island and a lane arrow marked on the upper carriageway. It is proposed that the end of Cornwall Road will become Left Turn Only and the existing black and white chevron board at the end of Cornwall Road will be replaced by a new yellow and black chevron board with arrows indicating left turn only.

This proposal will improve the safety of road users in Exeter Street by clarifying which side of the island they should travel and increase safety at the Exeter Street and Cornwall Road intersection by preventing the potential conflict.

## 9. BRIEFINGS

Nil

## 10. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISERS UPDATE

### 10.1 DRAFT SURFACE WATER STRATEGY

**Attached** is the submission the Board made to the Draft Surface Water Strategy.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board adopt the submission made to the Draft Surface Water Strategy.

### 10.2 REGIONAL PEST MANAGEMENT STRATEGY COMMENTS

**Attached** is a copy of the comments the Board submitted to the initial stage on the review of the Regional Pest Management Strategy.


#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board endorse the comments submitted to the Regional Pest Management Strategy review process.

### 10.3 AUGUST UPDATE ON LOCAL CAPITAL PROJECTS

The August update on local capital projects is **attached** for members' information.



Submission to: <b>Draft Surface Water Strategy 2009</b>	
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**INTRODUCTION**

The Lyttelton Mt. Herbert Community Board (the Board) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to the Draft Surface Water Strategy 2009.

The Board is supportive of the vision of the Strategy, and has the following comments to make:

Clause and Section Number	Submission
<b>Page 7</b>	<b>INTRODUCTION</b> The Board notes that the list of surface water resources includes reference to the two largest lakes and two major river systems. The Board suggests the inclusion of another bullet point "Numerous smaller rivers and streams on Banks Peninsula" because collectively they represent another significant surface water resource in Christchurch city.
<b>Page 16 Section 3.5</b>	<b>WATER QUALITY</b> It is stated " <i>In general the water quality of streams on Banks Peninsula is better than that of rivers and streams in the city, which is variable</i> ". Early indications from recent Environment Canterbury stream monitoring of six streams in the Lyttelton Harbour catchment have identified water quality issues which concern the Board, particularly high sediment loads, but also higher than expected indicator bacteria in some streams, at some times. The six streams being studied are Rapaki Stream, Zephyr Stream, Living Springs Stream, Teddington Stream, Te Wharau Stream and Purau Stream.

	<p><b>WATER QUALITY - continued</b></p> <p>The Board would be concerned if the implied assumption that there are no significant issues with Banks Peninsula water quality meant these issues were not addressed by Council through the Surface Water Strategy.</p> <p>We also note that comments on sediment issues in Heathcote River/Opawaro are likely to be relevant to streams in Banks Peninsula and, conversely, the comment about elevated phosphorous in Banks Peninsula surface water are also true of Port Hills tributaries of the Heathcote River/Opawaro, since both drain very similar land systems.</p>
<p><b>Clause 7.8 Page 48</b></p> <p><b>and</b></p> <p><b>Clause 7.6 Page 46</b></p>	<p><b>BANKS PENINSULA TOWNSHIPS AND SETTLEMENTS</b></p> <p>The Board was interested to note that policies prepared for <i>Banks Peninsula Townships and Settlements</i> are different from those for <i>Existing Suburbs</i> of metropolitan Christchurch.</p> <p>The reasons for this are given as loess soils, sedimentation and steep topography. It is the Board's view that these same factors also apply to the hill suburbs of metropolitan Christchurch. It would seem more logical to have measures in the strategy based on soils and topography, rather than zoning.</p> <p>There is a reference (Page 17) to the particular problems associated with stormwater from hill suburbs - <i>"High levels of sediment in the Heathcote River/Opāwaho are, in the main, caused by stormwater from the steep and easily eroded loess soils of the Port Hills, as well as a lack of suitable vegetation to protect banks"</i>.</p> <p>It seems to the Board, that if the steep catchments of some Banks Peninsula Townships and Settlements <i>"..limit the use of some multi-value mechanisms"</i>, this would also be true of the hill suburbs of urban Christchurch; that if the policies proposed are adequate for Banks Peninsula settlements, they would also be appropriate for existing suburbs of urban Christchurch along the Port Hills.</p> <p>Banks Peninsula settlements on valley flat floors, such as Purau and Little River, may be able to accommodate some multi-value mechanisms.</p> <p>The Board would like to suggest that the policies under <b>Clause 7.8 Banks Peninsula Townships and Settlements</b> should apply to all existing hill suburbs/settlements in the <b>whole</b> city. That is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Maintain the existing stormwater infrastructure.</li> <li>b) Improve stormwater quality through a range of stormwater mechanism as opportunities arise.</li> </ul> <p>And, that the policies under <b>Clause 7.6 Existing Suburbs</b> should apply to all suburbs/settlements on flat land, including valley floor Banks Peninsula settlements. That is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Maintain existing stormwater infrastructure.</li> <li>b) Implement multi-value stormwater management when upgrading roads</li> <li>c) Consider on-site management of stormwater where appropriate.</li> </ul>



<p><b>Clause 7.7</b> Page 47</p>	<p><b>INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS AREAS</b></p> <p>The Board notes that stormwater policies for the industrial and commercial land in Lyttelton appear to be covered under <b>Clause 7.8 Banks Peninsula Townships and Settlements</b>.</p> <p>The Board would support the commercial and industrial zones of Lyttelton being included under the provisions of <b>Clause 7.7 Industrial and Business Areas</b>, along with comparable areas in the city, and therefore being covered by the same policies. That is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Maintain the existing stormwater infrastructure.</li> <li>b) Promote removal of contaminants at source</li> <li>c) Encourage on-site management of stormwater where possible.</li> <li>d) Implement single-value and multi-value stormwater management as opportunities arise.</li> </ul> <p>The Board believes this is necessary as these areas in Lyttelton (particularly the industrial land), are very likely to contain heavy metals and contaminants. Just because the stormwater from these parts of Lyttelton only has a short and largely invisible journey through the city's surface water network does not mean the issues should not be addressed. While we realise the scope of the Surface Water Strategy does not include consideration of harbour water quality, the Community Board takes the view that surface water quality and harbour water quality are inextricably linked.</p>
<p><b>Clause 7.9</b></p>	<p><b>RURAL AREAS</b></p> <p>One of the stormwater management policies in this clause is to <i>"Encourage the planting and fencing of riparian margins."</i></p> <p>We believe a policy should be included which requires the Council to lead by example and fence and vegetate riparian margins on its own land, both Council owned freehold such as the land behind Diamond Harbour and reserve land, including road reserve. At Steadfast Reserve in Cass Bay, which is currently grazed by cattle, there has recently been a significant slip which resulted in a flow of sediment across the main road and into the Cass Bay stormwater system.</p> <p>The other measure for stormwater management in this clause is to <i>"Encourage on-site management of stormwater where possible."</i></p> <p>The Board submits that this measure should be stronger than just encouragement, and that there should be a requirement to manage stormwater on-site where possible.</p> <p>The Board notes the issue of Rural stormwater management is not addressed by policies under <b>7.9 Rural Areas</b>, and does not appear to be addressed anywhere else in the draft strategy, even though this is one of the main environmental concerns for people in our part of the ward.</p>
<p><b>CLAUSE 10.2</b> Page 62</p>	<p><b>COUNCIL TAKING THE LEAD</b></p> <p>There is a perception among local residents that sediment-laden stormwater from council-managed road reserve is contributing significantly to poor water quality and ecosystem health in receiving streams and the harbour. The managing of stormwater from Council roads should be included in the list of operations and activities under this clause.</p>

Appendix E	<p><b>PREFERRED MECHANISMS</b></p> <p><b>Rainwater Tanks</b> The Board believes that people should be strongly encouraged to employ rainwater storage systems to retain and use stormwater on their own properties. Council could consider some type of scheme (similar to the house insulation scheme) whereby residents could receive a subsidy to install on-site rainwater storage.</p>
	<p><b>HARBOUR WATER QUALITY</b></p> <p>A huge concern to the Board and the Lyttelton-Mt.Herbert community is the stormwater run-off into the Lyttelton Harbour and the resultant sediment issues. Council roads are one of the biggest contributors to this problem.</p> <p>The Board does not believe that the sedimentation of harbours through stormwater has been addressed under the draft strategy, and submits that it should be, particularly as Lyttelton Harbour is mahinga kai for Te Hapu o Ngati wheke.</p>

## CONCLUSION

The Board thanks Council for the opportunity to make a submission to the Draft Surface Water Strategy 2009, and would welcome the opportunity to speak to its submission or provide clarification on points made.

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## INTRODUCTION

The Lyttelton-Mt Herbert Community Board (the Board) would like to thank Environment Canterbury (Ecan) for the opportunity to provide comment in this initial stage of reviewing the Regional Pest Management Strategy.

The Board sees a need for a systematic and co-ordinated approach to address all pest management issues in its community. There is potential to increase the effectiveness of everyone's' efforts. Effective pest management is crucial.

The Board supports the system of local pest management liaison committees to advise Ecan. The Board believes the committees contribute positively to overcoming serious adverse effects of pest organisms on the economic, cultural, social and environmental well being of Canterbury. The way to effective pest management at a regional level is by Ecan administering pest management committees representing all areas, and all interests.

The Board would like to suggest changes to the Regional Pest Management Strategy, which could make it more effective in dealing with serious adverse effects on biodiversity in our community.

### **SUGGESTION 1**

***Include the Port Hills in the Banks Peninsula Pest Management District.***

The Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board represents people living in the Lyttelton Harbour basin and Port Levy. Most of our community is included in the Banks Peninsula Pest Management District, but the area from Gebbies Pass, which includes both sides of the Port Hills, is in the Selwyn Pest Management District. The Board has a representative on each of the liaison committees.

The present boundary at Gebbies Pass is an accidental relic of past political arrangements. It does not reflect current reality. Governors Bay (for instance) is currently in an area which reaches to Arthurs Pass, while Charteris Bay (for instance) is in a separate district with which Governors Bay has no organisational ties.

The Board has previously submitted on the Ecan 2008/09 Annual Plan, suggesting that there would be some sense in pest management boundaries being aligned with the boundary of the Banks Ecological Region and requesting that the Port Hills be included in the Banks Peninsula Pest Management District

### **SUGGESTION 2**

***That metropolitan Christchurch become a discrete pest management area.***

At present the city, in effect, has no pest management committee. Christchurch has a varied and important ecology which links with three neighbouring districts (Banks Peninsula, Waimakariri and Selwyn). A Committee representing a Christchurch pest management area, incorporating the Port Hills, would help identify pest issues in greater Christchurch and help draw on the resources within the City.

Some artificial division of a single ecological region is unavoidable. 'Christchurch' would end either at the Summit Road or at Gebbies Pass.

**SUGGESTION 3*****Consider making both sides of the Port Hills a High Value Environmental Area (HVEA)***

This suggestion is offered as an alternative and would mean that existing pest management boundaries could be retained, and a very focused approach could be made to pest management on the Port Hills.

There are indications that there is an infestation of possums in the much valued native bush in the southern Port Hills, but also that they could readily be reduced or eliminated. The Port Hills is a relatively small, discrete area with defined boundaries. There is a long tradition there of co-operation between landowners and the public authorities in combating environmental degradation.

The Board made a submission on the Draft Ecan LTCCP 2009/19 because although this years Community Initiated Possum Control Programme in eastern Banks Peninsula covers a large part of our ward, it has highlighted a gap in possum control work on rural land on the harbour side of the Port Hills.

The Board considers that possums are one of the most serious threats to biodiversity values (although other pests also pose a significant threat) and members are concerned about the current absence of a co-ordinated approach to possum control in the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert area.

**SUGGESTION 4*****That pest management liaison committees be constituted so that each community board from within its catchment is officially represented.***

The Local Government Act enjoins councils to govern in the light of their sensitivity to economic, cultural, social and environmental wellbeing. Residents have indicated they place a high value on the amenity value of our ward. Reflecting this, the Board has made the protection and enhancement of biodiversity a priority.

The urban and semi-urban areas of our ward, and its culture of partnerships, allow for exciting opportunities to realise biodiversity aims.

Representation from other interested parties should be set consistently, so all Canterbury's community boards have the same pattern of representation. Variations in the composition of pest management committees membership would reflect the various local economies and geographies. This transparency would give them legitimacy and increase public awareness of the issues they confront.

Committees would advise on policy such as the criteria for High Value Environmental Areas and the need for Community Initiative Programmes.

Elections to pest management committees should also be publicised in the same way as are municipal or national elections as a transparent public process.

**SUGGESTION 5*****That all current pest management initiatives be co-ordinated.***

The Board sees a need for a systematic and co-ordinated approach to address all pest management issues in its community. There is potential to increase the effectiveness of everyone's efforts. Effective pest management is crucial.

The Banks Peninsula ward retains some reserve management committees from the former Banks Peninsula District Council. The Board has delegations relating to management of local reserves, and reserve management committees in Lyttelton and Allandale operate as subcommittees of the Board. They work in close co-operation with Christchurch City Council (CCC) rangers and the Summit Road Society. The reserve management committees provide deep local knowledge. They have excellent co-operative relations with the councils, environment groups and the Department of Conservation (DOC).

**SUGGESTION 5 continued**

In its decision-making, the Board is consciously working towards a long-term vision where all CCC reserve land, including foreshore and road reserve, forms a matrix or framework of self-sustaining, ecologically resilient predominately indigenous vegetation within which other land uses are accommodated. We see a number of benefits, both for the healthy functioning of our life-supporting ecosystems and for the wellbeing of our ratepayers, present and future.

In achieving its vision the Board is supported by a number of local organizations and landowners, as detailed in Appendix One (attached). Many of these groups are undertaking pest control work in reserves and on private land. Pest control work is routinely carried out by Christchurch City Council and Department of Conservation staff in the extensive reserves in our part of the Ward.

In addition, a number of individual landowners, both in the small settlements and in the rural zone are working on biodiversity projects on their own properties.

We believe it is a fair assumption that the success of possum control initiatives by voluntary groups managing reserves and private land (and by CCC staff) is limited by the likelihood of re-infestation from adjacent farms where possum control may not be carried out concurrently, or at all. Potential unintended interactive effects are less likely to be picked up or addressed.

Urban, suburban and semi-rural wards like ours host a variety of responsible agencies within comparatively small areas. Although this has at times caused confusion as to roles, this provides an opportunity for synergies from a close liaison.

In our ward (and others) the community board has the potential to act as one of the links joining these formal and informal practices. Community boards exist as the responsible expression of the public in localities. They have the potential to give and receive information and advice to and from the regional council.

**SUGGESTION 6**

***That Old Mans Beard be included in the progressive control status because it represents "an extraordinary threat to conservation values".***

**SUGGESTION 7**

***That there be continued support for Community Initiative Programmes: Banks Peninsula possum control programme and Governors Bay Landcare Project.***

**SUGGESTION 8**

***That greater clarity be provided to the community on who is responsible for pest control on road reserves on Banks Peninsula.***

**SUGGESTION 9**

***The Board supports research being carried out on nasella tussock to enable more effective control. On Banks Peninsula it is not clear that systematic progress towards eradication is being made.***

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Concurrently, tui have been released at the Hinewai Native Forest trust on Banks Peninsula, and have since dispersed, as hoped. This confirms that the bush remnants in Lyttelton Harbour and the Port Hills serve as food sources and sanctuary between the Peninsula and the city. However, if predators are allowed to run free, the efforts of the Hinewai and Quail Island Trusts will be undermined. Quail Island is analogous to Tiritiri Matangi in Auckland and Matui/Somes In Wellington, but in both North Island cities other, supporting, pest-free refuges are being created. This is not yet the case in the garden city.

Respect for our biodiversity is a pressing economic concern. Tourism, based on 'pure' and 'green' motifs, contributes \$8.8 billion, or 18.3% of export earnings. Tourism provides 9.7% of our jobs and earns 9.2% of GDP. These numbers do not include the many indirect and unmeasured benefits that flow from biodiversity and its contribution to New Zealand's cultural values.

Intact riparian plant communities are particularly important in reducing the sediment load in streams which flow down into Lyttelton Harbour. Over time, with changing land use, increased sediment entering the relatively shallow harbour has reduced the diversity and productivity of the marine ecosystem, especially as silt contributes to turbidity of harbour waters.

Present policy states:

'Small scale management programmes are available where eradication or control of an unwanted organism can be achieved within 3 years and at a cost of less than \$100,000.'

This is an encouraging aim as it offers more than endless exhortations to 'containment' and the prospect of a long and losing attritional battle against pests. Urban wards have relatively large populations, especially when considered on the basis of persons per pests. The strong local tradition of environmental activism allows the prospect of success.

An example - boneseed. At present this exists north of the estuary and on the Port Hills, where the modest hope is to reduce its area by 20% (while killing it elsewhere). The resources available within the immediate areas of south-east Christchurch need only the guidance and motivation of such a 'small scale management' initiative to eliminate boneseed, and eliminate the threat of its spread, with the threat of indefinite ongoing costs of containment. The boneseed spread is well documented. As with all our pests, early detection is important, and local committees are well placed to detect any future invasions and recommend resources to deploy against them.

The Christchurch City Council Biodiversity Strategy 2008 states:

'The Council's indigenous biodiversity priorities are protection of existing biodiversity in threatened land environments, existing habitat for indigenous biodiversity, and nationally and locally threatened species.'

The strategy addresses the biodiversity situation in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula. Biodiversity loss within the district has been very high over the last 700 odd years. Virtually all of the Canterbury Plains now have less than 10 per cent indigenous plant cover left and a large part of Banks Peninsula has less than 20 per cent.'

The need is pressing: 15 threatened bird species either breed locally or pass through the area. 38 plant species which occur in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula are threatened. Naturally recurring rimu is down to one tree on Banks Peninsula.

However, lines of responsibility between the various governments and agencies are not always clear, so communities find it harder to respond in a co-ordinated way.

The Board suggests that one obvious way to make these connections would be for district councils to link with the regional council (at least partly) through community boards, the only public entities that exist throughout Canterbury on a known and consistent basis as representatives of localities, accessible to the grassroots.

Our ward is both urban and rural, and all sections of the community participate in reducing plant and animal pests. The Port Hills and Banks Peninsula have a high amenity value as landscapes and for recreation. For us, this value cannot be separated from any economic worth. Any destruction of biodiversity values is a threat to Christchurch 'the garden city' and its tourist economy. Immediate private or economic needs and general, public needs should be seen as reinforcing each other.

### Sketches From Lyttelton Harbour

In winter birds fly down from Kennedys Bush to gardens in Christchurch and the plains. This seasonal migration will probably increase as the bird population grows in Kennedy's Bush and other Port Hills reserves.

Native-bush remnants on both sides of the Port Hills comprise the largest area of indigenous forest in the immediate vicinity of Christchurch. In this bush, plant communities and native birds, reptiles and invertebrates contribute significantly to the overall biodiversity of the city and the Canterbury region.

The Port Hills refuges are tenuous. Most bush patches are less than 25 hectares. CCC ranger Andrew Crossland points to a scarcity of resources such as food and nest sites along with competition from other fauna. Birds are vulnerable to predators and disturbance to their habitat, increased exposure to extreme weather and the degradation of habitat by the invasion of weeds and feral animals.

Port Hills bird numbers have steadily declined over 150 years.

1850:	32 native bird species
1907:	14 native bird species
1980:	9 native bird species

This suggests that, in the absence of deliberate actions to contain and eliminate predators, native birds might become locally endangered or extinct. In recent years, the downward trend has been halted and even reversed. This reflects the planting and trapping by councils and volunteers. There are now 13 native species and 17 introduced species in Kennedys Bush. In a four year period bellbird numbers doubled.

Christchurch has within its boundaries greater biodiversity values than the surrounding rural districts. In common with international trends, our urban areas are likely to become even more important treasuries of biodiversity in the future.

Auckland, Wellington and Dunedin have all instituted programmes to enhance biodiversity, at the city and regional levels, that are not yet matched in Christchurch.

## **PEST MANAGEMENT GROUPS ACTIVE IN THE LYTTTELTON/MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD AREA**

The following groups are undertaking pest control work and re-vegetation projects in reserves and on private land. In addition we know of a number of individual landowners, both in the settlements and in the rural zone working on biodiversity projects on their own properties.

### **Lyttelton Reserves Committee**

A formal committee of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board which has the delegation to manage Urumau and Whakaraupo Reserves on the hills above Lyttelton. They co-ordinate and carry out voluntary work in the reserves including possum and mustelid control.

### **Summit Road Society Inc.**

Plays an active role in the management of Summit Road Reserves administered by CCC and DOC and is also a landowner in its own right. Volunteer members have carried out considerable pest management work, including weed control and control of possums and other predators in their own reserve above Governors Bay. In the last season a few volunteers from the Ohinetahi group of the Summit Road Society who work the area between Kennedys Bush and Governors Bay eliminated 79 animals from six pest species.

### **Quail Island/Otamahua Ecological Restoration Trust**

This group, well supported by DOC and other agencies, is making good progress toward vegetation restoration and a predator free environment which could become a sanctuary for endangered species. A wide coalition is presently eliminating mice on the island, after which it will be predator free. Mike Bowie, manager of the project, advises: "The ecological gains of a predator-free island are immense; this has already been shown by the three-fold increase in penguin numbers after stoat, rat and hedgehog eradication on the Island".(Bay Harbour News, 15 July 2009)

### **Living Springs Trust**

Staff at Living Springs combine outdoor education for young people with a large scale ecological restoration project on the Living Springs Trust's property on the hills above Allendale. Areas of regenerating native forest are being fenced, stock excluded, and plant and animal pests eradicated.

### **Birdsafe Whakaraupo**

Community volunteers in Lyttelton, Governors Bay and Diamond Harbour lend possum traps to residents and provide an animal pest advice and disposal service.

### **Governors Bay Landcare Group**

Focused on eradicating Old Man's Beard in the reserves in Governors Bay, Governors Bay Landcare Group are working toward the restoration of native bush, particularly in the foreshore reserves.

### **Orton Bradley Park Board**

The manager and governing board of Orton Bradley Park are managing large areas of the farm park primarily for biodiversity values. They recently received a grant for \$5000 from Kaupapa Kereru for animal predator control in the park to be carried out this winter.

### **Te Hapu o Ngati Wheke**

Rapaki residents and other runanga members are working to restore native vegetation around their settlement, particularly along the streams. Their work includes weed control.

### **Cass Bay Residents Association Inc.**

The Cass Bay Residents Association's reserves subcommittee is working toward re-vegetation of coastal reserves around Cass Bay, including control of biodiversity weeds

### **Diamond Harbour Community Association Inc.**

Members of Diamond Harbour Community Association and other individuals locally carry out re-vegetation work in Diamond Harbour's Gully reserves, including possum trapping.



**Charteris Bay Golf Club**

Over two or three years members of the Charteris Bay Golf Club have trapped and destroyed about 180 magpies in and around the golf course.

**Uniquely Purau Inc.**

This community environmental group organises working bees to eradicate Old Man's Beard from road reserve in Purau valley.

**Te Rūnanga o Koukourarata**

Owens and manages a large botanically significant area of native bush on hill slopes overlooking the settlement at Port Levy. In partnership with neighbouring landowners, the runanga is restoring Koukourarata stream.

**Enviroschools**

Three primary schools in our ward are Enviroschools where students and staff learn about local biodiversity issues and help with planting in reserves and school grounds.

**Diamond Harbour Enviroschool**

Students learn about local ecology and have planted a native plant community in the school grounds, assisted by staff and family members.

**Christchurch City Council and Department of Conservation**

Staff routinely carry out possum monitoring and control activities in Port Hills reserves, and manage other plant and animal pests as well, sometimes with help from volunteers. In 2008 DOC contracted for possum extermination in Tauhinu Korokio Reserve, above Gollans Bay. One trapper killed 180 Possums in two gullies within a catchment of about five hectares over two months. The next year he killed a smaller number, animals he thought to have re-infested the reserve from neighbouring bush, after which he found no sign of possums.

**Environment Canterbury and the Banks Peninsula Pest Liaison Committee**

Authorise and co-ordinate the Community Initiated Possum Control programme, which this year has included an extensive area of rural land in our community. Ecan and the committee also oversee monitoring and control of other plant and animal pests in our part of Banks Peninsula, including nasella tussock, rabbits and feral deer and goats.

# *council* UPDATE

## AUGUST UPDATE OF CURRENT PROJECTS FOR ELECTED MEMBERS FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE TONY MARRYATT

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **New Christchurch Civic Building**

The ground floor fit out including the construction of walls is well underway and mechanical plant is starting to be installed.

#### **Bus Priority**

Construction of Christchurch's first major bus priority project began on 17 August 2009. The project along Papanui Road and Main North Road will be completed by the end of November 2009. The first section between Bealey Ave and Innes Road will be operational on 21 September 2009. This is one of 10 priority routes planned across Christchurch over the next nine years. The route along Colombo Street from Cashmere Road to Moorhouse Avenue will be completed by June 2010, while bus priority measures in New Brighton Road, Shirley Road and Hills Road will be completed by the end of the year.

#### **Ferrymead Bridge widening and strengthening project**

Work continues on the detailed design and is expected to be finished next month. A Registration of Interest has been completed and three qualified contractors have been shortlisted. Only these three contractors will be invited to tender on the construction of the bridge. Construction will start in February 2010 and at this stage is expected to take around 18 months. We are distributing an information leaflet to businesses in the area to update them on progress and invite them to submit their contact details to the Council if they want to be kept regularly informed. The New Zealand Transport Agency announced funding for this project last week.

#### **Transport Interchange**

A series of workshops with directly affected parties and immediate neighbours is planned for the end of September/beginning of October. The workshops will introduce the concept plans to these parties so that key issues of concern can be taken into consideration and, if possible, mitigated during refinement of the Interchange plans.

#### **Project City Mall**

Project City Mall is on track to be completed by November 30 this year. Work is progressing well in all three open work areas. The rail around to Oxford Terrace has been put in place at the intersection of Cashel and Oxford Terrace and the area is now being paved in Timaru bluestone. Paving in Cashel Street near Ballantynes will begin in two weeks as the last of the rail construction occurs in the area. Work at the intersection of Cashel and High streets and the installation of the custom-made track crossover has gone very well over the past two weeks and the last of the rail for 2009 was welded in place last week. Retailers on High Street, between Cashel and Hereford streets, have been informed that the team will lay rails in High Street on the existing foundations early next year as part of the tram project. Feedback from retailers and landowners in the mall area is very positive about the new look pedestrian mall. A recently completed survey of retailers showed an overall satisfaction rating of 83% with the project itself and communication with the retailers.

#### **Ocean Outfall**

Weather conditions in August have resulted in reasonable progress on the remaining marine works. Contractors have installed five of the 13 diffuser riser structures and overtrawl protection rings, and backfilling is due to start at the end of August along with installation of the anti-scour mat. Although work on the diffusers still depends on sea conditions, the weather window required to fit off each diffuser is relatively short and this section of the pipeline is less susceptible to sand filling the excavation.

The remaining work to complete the inshore end of the microtunnel-marine pipeline connection only 500m off-shore requires slightly longer weather windows and is more susceptible to sand infill into the 6m deep trench. This then requires re-excavation.

McConnell Dowell is continuing its efforts to overcome the issue that arose at this connection, before they can pressure-test the microtunnel pipeline and remove the blanking plate between the two pipe sections.

Although about only six weeks of physical works remain to complete the outfall, completion will not be achieved before the estuary discharge consent expiry on 30 September. The Council has advised ECan accordingly, and a special meeting was held with the DAG (Discharge Audit Group) and other interested parties on 13 August to update the status of the project and advise them of the course of action. ECan and the DAG understand the current situation and do not want health and safety or the end result to be compromised by the pressure to complete.

ECan is proposing to issue an abatement notice on 30 September but will use its discretionary power so to not take any enforcement action. A meeting is planned with ECan towards the end of September to update the status at that time, establish a revised forecast completion date, and set a later date with some 'buffer' added for which the non-enforcement will apply. Discharge into the estuary and monitoring of the receiving environment will continue until the outfall is complete and commissioned.

Press releases and a newsletter update are being prepared for publication shortly.

### **Biosolids Drying Facility**

Manufacture of the drying process plant in Germany remains on target for shipping in late November. Installation is scheduled to start in early February 2010.

Tenders for the building, services and civil works contract closed two weeks ago and these are currently being evaluated. Although two tenderers pulled out, four good tenders were received, and initial assessment is that the tenders are extremely close. The target is to award a contract by mid-September and to start construction in early October.

The contract documents for the Energy Centre DBO (design-build-operate) contract with Energy for Industry (EFI) have now been finalised and it is planned to execute these by the end of August. EFI has begun confirming their plant supply contracts. The separate contract with CityCare for the initial earthworks has proceeded well and this work is nearly finished.

The Stage 3 LFG (landfill gas) pipeline from the treatment plant into the central business district, is now 85% complete with about 7km laid to date (of 8.3km). Work is now nearly complete along Tuam Street, and work is now underway on the north side of the Montreal Street bridge to drill the pipe under the river back to Tuam Street. The pipeline remains on target to complete in November. Manufacture of the gas compressor and design for the Art Gallery plant modifications is progressing.

### **UDS and Central City South Concept and Master Plan**

The Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy (UDS) will be the focus of an exhibition at Our City O-Tautahi opening in September. The exhibition will start with a look at the Central City South Concept and Master Plan as an example of central city revitalisation, a key action point under the UDS.

The wider exhibition will feature installations, listening posts and information displays to bring the UDS off the page and into real life, providing examples of projects and issues around the greater city. These include, urban planning, Central City revitalisation, school travel plans, the Rangiora district centre, art in public places and the Styx Vision.

- *Greater Christchurch - there is a plan, we're on our way*, at Our City O-Tautahi, corner Worcester Street and Oxford Terrace, 22 September – 24 October, 10am – 4pm, Monday – Saturday. Admission is free.

### **Water Supply Strategy**

The Water Supply Strategy document will be published later this month.

### **Draft Surface Water Strategy**

The Draft Surface Water Strategy finished public consultation on 14 August. The Strategy establishes goals and objectives for surface water (including stormwater) management in Christchurch and proposes a programme which focuses on improving the water quality of Christchurch's rivers and tributaries. The hearings are being held in the week of 7 September.

### **Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre**

Staff met with chosen architects Pattersons last week to go through the internal spaces detailed brief and to look at linkages between spaces and the external garden areas. This was the second internal staff briefing and feedback session to allow the architects to receive staff input.

### **Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna O Waiwhetu**

All but a few gems from the Gallery's permanent collections are now packed away while the galleries are refreshed and reshaped. Those 10 gems form **Gembox**, a small exhibition that will be open from 29 August until the permanent collection galleries re-open in November. **Gembox** includes some indisputable collection favourites and some lesser known works that deserve to be better known.

Also opening that weekend is **Cloud9**, the fourth in Christchurch Art Gallery's emerging artist series. The nine artists featured in the exhibition are all recent graduates in painting and explore a wide range of styles.

Still open are the three major contemporary exhibitions: Who goes there featuring the work of Christchurch-born and Melbourne-based artist Ronnie van Hout; and exhibitions featuring the work of Seraphine Pick and the et al collective.

### **Our City O-Tautahi**

He rau Tipuna – leaves of our ancestors and the Christchurch Arts Festival's Guardians of the Stream attracted 2,200 visitors with 200 students attending from nine school groups. Our City O-Tautahi now welcomes **Shelved Memories**: Celebrating 150 years of Public Libraries in Christchurch. Christchurch City Libraries first opened its doors to the public of Christchurch when the Mechanics Institute opened in a small room in 1859. In the intervening 150 years the library has grown from a small collection of several hundred books to the present-day collection of over one million items. Along the way the library has acquired some treasured examples of the publishing heritage of New Zealand. A selection of these valued texts and memorabilia form the basis of this exhibition. Our City O-Tautahi also hosts The Combined Patchwork Society of Canterbury's Two In One Exhibition from 27-30 August.

### **Planned upgrades to water and waste water schemes on Banks Peninsula:**

**Wainui:** The current sea outfall consent expires in October 2009, with the Long Term Council Community Plan budget for the new plant and reticulation not starting until 2012- 2013. An application has been lodged for a consent to cover the time gap. The option of applying the existing treated effluent to land at an already purchased site is being explored.

**Lyttelton:** The Council has adopted the recommended pump wastewater to the city treatment plant option for which design is budgeted to start 2016 -2017. Consents will need to be applied for to cover the interim years for Governors Bay and Diamond Harbour outfalls.

**Charteris Bay:** The Council is planning new water and wastewater systems for Charteris Bay, which will extend the Diamond Harbour/Church Bay system through to Charteris Bay. It will collect domestic wastewater and transport it to the wastewater treatment plant at Diamond Harbour via new, small pump stations. A new drinking water supply will also be installed. Surveying of the area has begun and a design concept is complete. Alternative pumping options will be explored to determine if cost savings are available. Physical works for these projects are planned for 2011.

**Little River:** It is planned to upgrade the old water supply treatment plant to supply water that meets the Drinking Water Standards, with completion in 2012. This will also include improvements to security of supply which means we will be able to connect existing houses. Reticulation extension is planned for 2013- 2014.

**Akaroa:** An integrated three water approach to wastewater, drinking water and stormwater is underway. A working party has short-listed options for the wastewater plant for further study, and a model has been created to accurately study ways to improve water supply security, with an emphasis on the use of rainwater tanks. Water supply upgrade to meet Drinking Water Standards is planned to be completed in 2012- 2013.

**Regional Policy Statement (RPS) – Environment Canterbury hearings**

After 20 weeks of hearings, the public submissions part of the RPS process will be completed on 2 September and the hearing commissioners will begin their deliberations. The Regional Policy Statement Proposed Change No 1 is the first step in setting the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy into the Resource Management Act. Council staff have been involved in preparing evidence and providing information into the process. Mike Theelen and Paul Anderson gave evidence for the council as part of a joint officers report lead by Environment Canterbury. Decisions are expected in early December. The three commissioners are Ron Crosby (Chair), Sylvia Allan and Alan Withy.

**Canterbury Regional Economic Development Strategy (CREDS) Review**

Work is underway on reviewing CREDS supervised by the regional economic development governance group, Canterbury Economic Development Company Ltd (CED Co. Ltd). A draft strategy was presented to the CED Co. Ltd board meeting on 25 August 2009. The CED Co. Ltd board has asked for the strategy to be more closely focused around the five areas it believes can have most impact on the Canterbury economy. These are the use of water to improve productivity (irrigation), commercialising intellectual property/innovation, increasing exports through a trade alliance, improving broadband and tourism.

Kind regards

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*See Appendix attached for capital projects by ward area*

**Appendix:****CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS FOR WARD AREAS****(Those not mentioned in the roundup of major projects).****Hagley/Ferrymead**

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| • Bus Priority Project (Colombo Street)     | Detailed design                                  |
| • Bus Priority Project (Sumner Route)       | Scheme assessment                                |
| • Bus Priority Project (New Brighton Route) | Scheme assessment                                |
| • Charleston Cluster                        | Construction                                     |
| • Ferrymead Bridge                          | Detailed design                                  |
| • Dorset Street Renewal                     | Complete   |
| • Hereford St upgrade                       | Detailed design.                                 |
| • Dunarnon Street Renewal                   | Detailed design                                  |
| • Kilmore Street Cycleway                   | Consultation - SCP                               |
| • Stanmore Road Cycleway                    | Consultation - SCP                               |
| • Linwood Avenue Cycleway                   | Consultation - SCP                               |
| • Linwood High School Cycle Bubble          | Scheme assessment                                |
| • Oxford Terrace Improvements               | Planning   |
| • Glasgow, Newcastle Streets                | Complete   |
| • Ryan Street                               | Detailed design                                  |
| • Brownlee Reserve                          | Planting   |
| • Avebury Park Toilets                      | Construction                                     |
| • Kenneway Reserve                          | Complete   |
| • Washington Park                           | Consent  |
| • Botanic Gardens Centre                    | Design   |
| • Parnham Reserve Playground                | Detailed design                                  |
| • Linfield Park Car Park                    | Construction                                     |
| • Heathcote Saltmarsh Control               | Tender   |
| • Sumner Surf Club Toilets                  | Complete   |
| • Sumner/Redcliffs Youth Facility           | Consultation                                     |
| • Friendship Corner                         | Construction                                     |
| • Sumner Croquet                            | Construction                                     |
| • Botanic Gardens Toilet                    | Consent  |
| • Isabella Place piping                     | Complete   |
| • Art Gallery Permanent collection Rehang   | Construction                                     |
| • Western Interceptor Stage 1               | Construction –expected completion<br>August 2009 |
| • Western Interceptor Stage 2a              | Construction –expected Completion<br>March 2010  |
| • Balmoral Lane water                       | Complete   |
| • Clifton Terrace sewer                     | Design   |
| • Rangatira Tce sewer                       | Construction                                     |
| • Seamont Tce sewer                         | Construction                                     |

**Riccarton/Wigram**

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|---|-------------------|
| • Church Corner cluster                   | Construction      |
| • Picton Avenue                           | Tender let        |
| • Bus Priority Project (Riccarton Road)   | Scheme assessment |
| • Mandeville Reserve                      | Construction      |
| • Brynley Street                          | Detailed design   |
| • Harakeke Street (Island removal)        | Construction      |
| • Douglas Clifford Pond                   | Construction      |
| • Halswell Domain Car Park                | Detailed design   |
| • Haytons Drain Culvert                   | Detailed design   |
| • Riccarton Main Drain (Wainui to Matipo) | Detailed design   |
| • Owaka/Awatea Link                       | Design            |

- Awatea Basin Detailed design
- Titoki Street water Complete

**Shirley/Papanui**

- Bus Priority Project (Papanui Road) Construction
- Quinns/Hammersley/Orion Scheme design
- Grassmere Street Complete
- Gosset Street Complete
- Railway North Cycleway Construction
- Bellvue Avenue Tender
- Rutland Street Detailed design
- Bretts Road (boundary road with F/W) Detailed design
- Weston Road (Bretts-Jameson) Detailed design
- Courtenay, Westminster streets Scheme Des/Consents
- Kruses Drain Construction
- Murchison Park Toilets Detailed design
- Murchison Park Car Park and Paths Detailed design
- Petrie Park Detailed design
- Petrie Park Playground Design
- Graham Condon Leisure Centre Preliminary work on site
- Redwood Springs Consents
- Styx River Mouth Toilets Construction
- Foley Reserve Playground Tender
- Fergusson Ave Sewer Under construction
- Lambreth Crescent water Complete

**Spreydon/Heathcote**

- Sydenham Park Toilet Contract let
- Sydenham Park Car Park Contract let
- Heathcote River Masterplan Detailed design
- Louisson Place Path and Planting Construction
- Longhurst Walkway Construction
- Holliss Avenue Street Renewal Tender let
- Spencer Street Detailed design
- St Martins Road Street Renewal Construction
- Sparks Road Crossing Complete
- Bus Priority Project (Colombo Street) Detailed design
- Harman, Grove, Cotterill Streets Construction
- Poulson, Parlane, Dickens Streets Construction
- Cashmere View Detailed design
- Linden Grove Construction
- Addington Park Detailed design
- Valley Road Piping Design
- Jacksons Creek Flow Augmentation Investigation
- Hoon Hay Park Consultation
- Wilderness Creek Piping Design
- Kent and Caton Streets Tender let
- Cashmere Reservoir replacement Under construction.
- Hasting Street sewer Construction
- Colombo – across Brougham Construction

**Fendalton/Waimairi**

- Bus Priority Project (Papanui Road) Detailed design
- Cox Street Consent
- Wairakei Road Construction
- Blighs Road (Wairakei-Idris) Construction
- Fendalton East Cluster (Andover, Hewitts, Cheltenham) Detailed design
- Church Lane Detailed design
- Halton, Hawthorne, Hartley, Urunga Detailed design
- Helmores Lane, Desmond Street (part) Detailed design
- Weston Road (Papanui-Bretts) Detailed design
- Wairakei Reserve/Nunweek Park Contract let
- Avonhead Cemetery Extn Construction
- Crosbie Park Car Park Extn Construction
- Coringa Reserve Detailed Design
- Wairarapa Terrace Scheme assessment

**Burwood/Pegasus**

- Cedarwood Reserve Construction
- Evergreen Reserve Construction
- Travis Education Centre upgrade Tender
- Thomson Park Skate Upgrade Planting
- Estuary Road Sewer - stage II Complete
- Avon Riverbank Dixon Triangle Planting
- Bus Priority Project (Queenspark Route) Detailed design
- Bus Priority Project (New Brighton Route) Scheme design
- Bridge Street Construction
- Aranui cluster Construction
- Dallington Terrace parking Detailed design
- QEII Boat Replacement Construction
- Aranui New Library Investigation
- Bower Avenue water Construction
- Breezes Road water Tender let
- Carters Road water Tender let

**Lyttelton/Mt Herbert**

- Lyttelton Town Upgrade - Oxford Street Construction
- Lyttelton Town Upgrade - London Street Actually under construction – half completed
- Lyttelton HP water upgrade Complete
- Cholmondley Reserve Extn Site clearance
- Lyttelton Brick barrels Investigation
- Dyers Pass (guard rail) Completed
- Simeon Quay Sewer Contract let

**Akaroa/Wairewa**

- Little River Cycleway Consultation
- Little Akaloa Road Bridge Delivery planned for 2010
- Pipers Valley Road Bridge Delivery planned for 2010
- Awa-Iti Domain Consultation
- Little Akaloa Wharf Construction
- Robisons Bay Consultation
- Pigeon Bay Play Equipment Design
- Garden of Tane Management plan
- Stanley Park Process has been put on hold
- Akaroa Museum Construction



**11. ELECTED MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

**12. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS**