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5. STOCKPILING OF WASTE AND ILLEGAL DUMPING

Information sharing.

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7. CANTERBURY HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY (CHWMS) REVIEW

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to outline Hazardous Waste Reporting in the future and suggest how the Hazardous Waste Management Strategy will be reviewed.

BACKGROUND

As from 30 June 2011 Environment Canterbury is no longer a member of the committee. As reported in February 2011, the committee will from now on receive reports from Ecan on hazardous waste management as and when required. There is provision in the Constituting Agreement for the committee to establish a subcommittee on hazardous waste in future, should it be deemed necessary. The advantage of the committee itself receiving hazardous waste reports is that all members remain informed.

Ecan staff have provided the following information, and will be present on the 12 August to discuss this further, as set out below. The strategy review by Ecan will not have any financial impact on committee members:

The CHWMS was produced in 2001 to provide a framework for local authorities to deal with hazardous waste within Canterbury. In the past, implementation and monitoring of the strategy fell to local authorities with direction provided by the Canterbury Hazardous Waste Working Party, co-ordinated by Environment Canterbury. The CHWMS, in its current form, expires at the end of the 2012 financial year. With Environment Canterbury's review and rationalisation in this work area, it is timely to review this strategy and focus on the next five years ahead.

With the input of local authorities, Environment Canterbury will review and rework the strategy in 2011/12 with the aim of identifying how best to implement the strategy in the future. This will include a review of current and potential future hazardous waste needs throughout Canterbury and how local authorities can work with industry to provide solutions. This will also allow us to give due consideration to new issues which may have arisen following the Canterbury earthquakes.

At the 12 August meeting it is proposed to present a review of past work, a brief scope for strategy revision developed in conjunction with CWJC staff group, current work in this area and potential work areas for hazardous waste in the future.

The current strategy (Parts 1 and 2) can be found at <http://ecan.govt.nz/publications/Pages/hazardous-waste-management-strategy.aspx>.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.