

CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

NOTES OF A SEMINAR OF THE COUNCIL

**Held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices
on Wednesday 6 December 2006 at 10am**

PRESENT: The Mayor, Garry Moore,
Councillors Helen Broughton, Sally Buck,
Graham Condon, Barry Corbett, David Cox, Carole Evans,
Pat Harrow, Sue Wells and Norm Withers.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from
Councillors Anna Crighton, Bob Shearing, Gail Sheriff
and Bob Parker.

IN ATTENDANCE: Jane Parfitt, Maurice Roers, Clarrie Pearce,
Garth Falconer and Alan Gray (Isthmus Group).

1. CITY MALL

Introduction

Jane Parfitt (General Manager City Environment) introduced the City Mall topic, advising that this is the last seminar before the report is finalised on 7 December 2006 and signed off by the Council on 14 December 2006, to enable construction to commence in the middle of next year.

City Mall Consultation Presentation

Garth Falconer (Isthmus Group) assisted by Maurice Roers, spoke to a PowerPoint presentation and described the refinements made to the concept plan as a result of submissions received.

Major issues raised in the submissions were highlighted, including:

- Youth issues and the incorporation of youth facilities and activities especially in the Hack circle
- Identification of trees to be retained and new plantings
- Provision of sustainability measures
- Encourage the development of further big picture elements
- Sustainability (key goal in the brief)
- Materials (Surfacing)
- Roading.

Refined concept:

- Kept to defined budget
- Public street and open space focus – balanced socialisation
- Geometry integrated – continuity
- Retaining many trees
- Sustainability measures
- Basis for developed design.

The presenter assisted by Council staff answered questions arising from the presentation which covered:

- High Street airbridge
- Pavement width
- Large trees casting shadow
- Emergency and service access through the Cashel Mall
- Hack area – wind protection and recreational grassed area
- Basecourse in the lane ways for the tram – costs involved and practicality if tram doesn't fit
- Access for cars and shuttles in the Cashel Mall
- Pavers – replacement
- High Street parking
- High Street – need for cycleway.

The seminar concluded at 11.13am.