CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HERITAGE GRANTS AND COVENANTS COMMITTEE

Held in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices on Tuesday 3 June 2008 at 3.00pm

PRESENT: Councillor Helen Broughton (Chair), Councillors Barry

Corbett, David Cox, Claudia Reid and Mike Wall.

APOLOGIES: Nil

ACTION

1. HERITAGE GRANTS AND COVENANTS

The Committee had before it a report from the General Manager, Strategy and Planning which sought approval for:

- Re-assessed grants for two properties
- Grants for eight properties
- Covenants for six properties

The Committee decided to consider each application in turn.

1. 225 High Street – Bonnington's Building

Neil Carrie

It was **resolved** that the owners of Bonnington's Building, 225 High Street Christchurch be granted a further \$4,700, representing one tenth of the additional external cleaning costs.

2. 338 Lincoln Road, former Addington Prison

It was noted that in September 2007 a Heritage grant of \$21,675 for repair works had been made, subject to a limited Covenant for 20 years.

It was **resolved** that the owners of the former Addington prison, 338 Lincoln Road Chrischurch be granted \$28,563, subject to the application of a full Covenant and for the form Request for Affixing the Council Seal to be signed.

3. 153-157 High Street – Duncan's Building

It was **resolved** that the owners of Duncans Building, 153-157 High Street Christchurch be granted \$63,800 subject to the application of a Full Conservation Covenant and for the form Request for Affixing the Council Seal to be signed.

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4. 163-165 High Street – Duncan's Building

It was **resolved** that the owners of Duncan's building, 163-165 High Street Christchurch be granted \$64,100 subject to the application of a Full Conservation Covenant and approval for the form Request for Affixing the Council Seal to be signed.

5. 39 Kahu Road – Deans Stables section of Christchurch Boys High School

The Committee noted the possibility of this building being open to the public and on this basis could warrant some additional funding.

Neil Carrie

It was **resolved** that the owners of Deans Stables section of Christchurch Boys High School, 39 Kahu Road Christchurch be granted the increased amount of \$30,699, subject to the application of a Full Conservation Covenant and approval for the form Request for Affixing the Council Seal to be signed.

6. 399 Papanui Road, Woodford

It was **resolved** that the owners of Woodford, 399 Papanui Road Christchurch be granted \$16,500, subject to the application of a Full Conservation Covenant and for the form Request for Affixing the Council Seal to be signed.

7. 69-75 Manchester Street – Cecil House

It was **resolved** that the owners of Cecil House, 69-75 Manchester Street Christchurch be granted \$7,200, subject to the application of a Limited Conservation Covenant for ten years.

8. 178 Cashel Street-Manchester Street Corner - Pyne Gould Guiness building

The Committee noted the importance of this Edwardian Chicago Skyscraper style building to the City Streetscape, which had no Heritage Covenant attached to it. It was suggested that it would be pertinent for such a building's future protection to be covenanted, the means of achieving this were discussed.

It was **resolved** that the application be held over, pending further discussion with the building owners for the purpose of establishing the owner's long term usage of the building, with the aim of seeking the protection and retention of the building.

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9. 13 Churchill Street

It was **resolved** that the owner of the dwelling at 13 Churchill Street Christchurch be granted \$3,015.

10. 32 Dublin Street, Lyttelton

It was **resolved** that the owners of the dwelling at 32 Dublin Street Lyttelton be granted \$1,020.

11. Riccarton Tea House

The Committee was advised that a report on initial funding for the restoration project would be going to the Council, due to the extent of the grant sought which was outside the Committee's scope.

2. GOVERNANCE OF HERITAGE INCENTIVE GRANTS FUND

The Committee was advised that any grant monies not expended by the end of the current financial year, would not automatically carry forward to the following financial year. Conservation and maintenance costs for a major heritage retention project have been received, but were not able to be reported to Council in this financial year.

The Committee requested that the outstanding heritage grant funds be carried forward to assist with the costs of this project.

3. **MEETING TIMETABLE**

The Committee decided that where possible future monthly meetings of the Committee be moved forward to 2.30pm.

4. BRIEFING ON NEW REGENT STREET

At this point in the meeting Victoria Willis and Brendan Smyth provided a Power Point presentation on the New Regent Street building re-vitalisation project covering:

- History
- Architectural style
- Pro-active heritage protection
- Central City re-vitalisation
- Re-vitalisation project
- Threats
- Building materials
- Original drawings
- Water damage
- 80 years of wear and tear
- The future

Carolyn Ingles Steve Kelsen

The type of repairs needed to the buildings was explained, designed to future proof them. Present investigations were going on into the original colour scheme and the preparation of a conservation plan.

It was proposed that the heritage incentive fund be used over five years to finance up to 40% of the maintenance and conservation costs of the New Regent Street project, subject to Committee approval. The total estimate cost of the project was estimated to be \$1.4 million in 2003.

Once the level of support for the project had been quantified the funding package would be bought back to the Committee.

The meeting concluded at 4.15pm.

ACTION

Victoria Bliss Brendon Smyth