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4. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ARISING FROM PREVIOUS PUBLIC FORUM

Officer responsible:	Chief Executive
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. This report provides information, or an update on progress to provide that information, in response to queries arising from previous public forums.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. At its meeting on 1 December 2011, the Council requested that each agenda for Council Earthquake meetings include a report answering questions asked/issues raised in the public forum section of previous meetings. **Attachment one** provides information on the issues raised by public forum participants at the Council's meetings on 19 April and 3 May 2012.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council note the information contained in attachment one on responses to issues that have been raised during the public forum agenda item of the 19 April and 3 May 2012 Council meetings.

Attachment One

Council Earthquake Meetings: Public Forum Action List

Date of Meeting	Public Participant	Council Request	Response
3 May 2012	Rob Gould addressed the Council regarding storage of demolition waste in Cass Street in Sydenham. Mr Gould argued that the activity was against the Sydenham Master Plan, and that the crushing of concrete is illegal. Mr Gould asked the Council to investigate the use of the land for these purposes.	Staff were asked to consider any action the Council might be able to take in relation to the use of the land (particularly regarding its possible use for the crushing of concrete), as well as biohazard and noise issues arising from the depositing and storage of demolition waste.	
19 April	Nigel Salsbury, Judit Tardi, and Kerry Brown from Rates Relief Christchurch addressed the Council regarding rates relief for people living in uninhabitable homes. The group sought 100 percent rates relief for such homeowners and asked that the rates relief be backdated from the date the house became uninhabitable.	It was noted that Rates Relief Christchurch could make a submission on this issue as part of the Draft Annual Plan process. The Chief Executive was asked to consider how the Council could best respond to the issues raised in the deputation.	