AKAROA DESIGN AND APPEARANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 4 APRIL 2012

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday 4 April 2012. The meeting commenced at 10.33am.

The meeting was attended by Committee members Stewart Miller, Victoria Andrews, John Davey, Philip Kennedy and Lynda Wallace.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Committee members Pam Richardson, Bryan Morgan and Dave Margetts (Historic Places Trust).

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The committee **received** the minutes of the Akaroa Design and Appearance Advisory Committee meeting held on 3 November 2011.

It was pointed out that in relation to Clause 4.1, a question had been asked at the time on whether the new structure would have existing use rights and staff had clarified that it would not. The Committee requested that this be recorded in the minutes.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

4. PLANS TO CONSIDER

4.1 David Murray and Anne Rattray, 6 William Street, Akaroa

The applicants' architect addressed the Committee outlining the proposal to make external alterations to an existing shed and formation of a new carport at 6 William Street. It is proposed to cut back the existing single storey workshop to provide safer vehicle access to the site. The proposed new gable end will be faced in brickwork to match the original brick gable at the other end, to enhance the visual appearance of the building.

The new carport will be located within the internal courtyard of the property and will not be visible from the road. The carport will be of a simple structure with an iron roof to match the shed roof. Access to the property would be sealed.

The Committee was informed that the applicants intended to add dormer windows to the building to allow for more light into the workshop. Members did not favour the dormers as it was felt that this was an industrial building and the provision of light should be via a plainer type of window.

The Committee supported the application as presented but made the suggestion that the dormer windows be replaced with something more in keeping with an industrial type building.

4.2 Black Cat Group Limited - Proposed Extension, Akaroa Wharf

Mr Paul Bingham, Director of the Black Cat Group Limited, outlined the proposed alterations for the layout of the interior of the buildings on the wharf owned by the company including the chiller and the blue building.

Changes to the outside would be:

- untreated timber screen in front of chiller running parallel with existing buildings
- doors to building would be one black and one timber
- free standing slats to shroud the chiller for wet suit drying area

- polycarbonate corrugated roof would not be visible, keeping with the Committee's original wishes that this will be the same colour as the chiller.
- window to be relocated present window on North elevation may change to a bifold window to allow sales directly on to the wharf.
- colours of the buildings would remain as at present.

It was noted that the public would still have access to the small landing behind the building.

The Committee was also informed that the existing signage would change. There would be no signage on the chiller but vertical panels may be placed over the existing doors. The applicant agreed to bring signage proposals back to the Committee at a later date.

The Committee supported the proposal and asked that the applicant seek guidance from the Planning staff regarding signage.

4.3 "Welcome to Akaroa" Signage

The Committee was shown the Akaroa Civic Trust's proof for the "Welcome to Akaroa" sign to replace the existing one at the entrance to the Akaroa township.

Members were in favour of the design as presented.

5. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

5.1 Meeting Schedule 2012

The Committee **resolved** to adopt the following schedule for its meetings in 2012:

Thursday 3 May - 2.30pm

Thursday 7 May - 2.30pm

Thursday 5 July - 2.30pm

Thursday 2 August - 2.30pm

Thursday 6 September – 2.30pm

Thursday 4 October - 2.30pm

Thursday 1 November – 2.30pm

Thursday 6 December – 2.30pm.

The venue of the meetings to be the Akaroa Sports Complex, or as otherwise advised.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Specific mention was made of the following matters:

- Bank of New Zealand colour scheme owners of building to be congratulated
- 102 Rue Jolie update on changing some elements of the façade of this building following earthquake damage
- Structure of Committee staff advised that a report will be presented to the Council in the near future on a proposal to restructure the Urban Design Panel
- Changes it was suggested that a seminar be held with staff and Committee members to enable discussion on the effects of incremental change on the heritage value of Akaroa to be discussed and for everyone to be aware of them.

The meeting closed at 11.16am