STAFF REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councillors

FROM: David Ward

DATE: 17 February 2006

SUBJECT: Policy Review

PURPOSE

To allow Council to consider those existing policies contained within Volume II of Council's 2004 LTCCP, with a view to making amendments where necessary, prior to incorporation in Council's 2006 LTCCP.

BACKGROUND

All of the policies attached to this paper have been considered by the Corporate Services Chairman, together with the Corporate Services Manager.

Those amendments to be incorporated within the policies are minor only and reflect the continuation of Council's scheduled activities, levels of service and general philosophies. A recommended change to the policy on School Wastewater Charges has been incorporated. It is proposed to delete the current policy on Remission of the Fireblight Control Rate.

DISCUSSION

In each case the attached rates remissions policies are referred to the Corporate Services Committee with noted recommendations being made by the Corporate Services Manager.

There have been no references received to any of the remission policies since their adoption in 2004, therefore it is considered, in view of Council's proposed activity, project and funding scenarios for the 2006 LTCCP, that major amendments are not warranted.

RECOMMENDATION

That all policies attached to this report be adopted for inclusion in Council's 2006 LTCCP.

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