

# CHRISTCHURCH CIVIC CHILD CARE CENTRE INVESTIGATION

**Investigation** .....☞ The Police are currently conducting an investigation into allegations that some children who attended the creche between September of 1986 and mid November 1991, may have been sexually assaulted.

**Investigation Staff**.....☞ The Police Child Abuse Unit staff will be conducting this investigation and they will be assisted by Department of Social Welfare staff and in particular, staff of that Department's Specialist Services Unit.

**Interviews** .....☞ Police and Department of Social Welfare staff involved in the investigation believe that the children who are or did attend the creche between these dates, should be interviewed.

Interviews of children in the age group are not generally carried out by Police and in this particular case will not be. Staff specially trained and skilled in interviewing children will conduct all interviews. All interviews are video recorded. The interviews are conducted in a non threatening and child appropriate manner.

**Choices** .....☞ As the parent, it is for you to decide what course of action you wish to take.

**Recommendation**.....☞ That parents take up the offer of having their children interviewed.

**Who To Contact**.....☞ Parents wishing to take up this offer should telephone the Police Child Abuse Unit on:

☎ **637-955 or 637-978**

**Refer to Information Chart attached.**