

Community Board Statement of Intent

The Board aims to develop Hagley/Ferrymead by preserving and enhancing the natural and built environment and by working towards a socially aware and active community.

The Board has adopted the following aims which are consistent with achieving the objectives of the Statement of Intent.

Natural Environment

Aims:

- To encourage recycling and waste minimisation.
- To encourage development of indigenous ecosystems.
- To retain and continue the planting of exotic species where appropriate
- To further enhance rivers and the estuary.
- To promote indigenous revegetation of the Port Hills.
- To promote the protection of the Estuary.

Built Environment

Aims:

- To promote urban renewal.
- To monitor and recommend the upgrading of street aesthetics.
- To support unique community identities.
- To promote safer roads through appropriate traffic control.
- To promote cyclist and pedestrian safety.
- To promote Heritage retention, education, awareness and conservation.
- To consider new and implement adopted NIPs and LATMS.
- To promote the history of the Hagley/Ferrymead area.

Social Issues

Aims:

- To include children's contributions in decision-making.
- To advertise community funding and other resources available to community groups.
- To seek a reduction in the level of poverty.
- To encourage employment opportunities.
- To consider the needs of identified groups, particularly those of the elderly and children.
- To acknowledge our bicultural society.
- To acknowledge our multicultural society.
- To seek appreciation of cultural similarities and differences.

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Community Issues

Aims:

- To promote and support residents' groups.
- To promote community empowerment.
- To promote community and volunteer libraries.
- To promote a sense of community well-being.
- To encourage community involvement.
- To support and facilitate the provision of necessary community facilities.
- To review and, as appropriate, promote Council facilities.
- To acknowledge members of the community, past and present.
- To encourage community participation in the democratic process by assisting residents to enroll on the relevant parliamentary roll.

Recreation

Aims:

- To strongly pursue the acquisition of more neighbourhood parks.
- To enhance existing facilities and landscaping in parks.
- To identify, promote and monitor opportunities for recreation.

Review Process

The Board's achievements towards its aims shall be reviewed annually.

The review shall take the form of a written overview report highlighting Board decisions taken, level of funding allocated, and/or other support given to its aims under each environment or group.

Board Performance

To help ensure that the Board's aims are achieved the Board and its members will seek to:

- follow the principles of Agenda 21

Agenda 21 establishes the basis for action to sustainable development. Sustainable development can be interpreted as providing the following:

- "A viable natural environment capable of supporting life systems, now and in the future.

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- A sufficient economy that provides sustainable livelihoods for all.
 - Nurturing communities that provide opportunities for meeting social, cultural and spiritual needs.”
- be committed to communication and consultation processes
 - ensure open decision-making processes are followed
 - be available to the community and promptly address their concerns
 - promote the Board’s existence
 - make informed decisions and where appropriate use creative decision-making processes
 - foster good working relationships
 - ensure that the Council is aware of relevant issues

Advocacy Items

The Board will also support the following matters by way of advocacy:

Affordable housing
Air and water quality
An adequate and appropriate public passenger transport system
Central and Regional Government liaison
Crime prevention
Civil Defence
Community Development Plan
CTV Reception
Development controls through planning
Drains maintenance
Encouraging community participation in the democratic process by assisting residents to enroll on the relevant parliamentary roll
Footpaths - on at least one side of all roads servicing residential areas
Healthy city
Natural environment studies in schools
Noise control
Port Hills - sky-line retention and strategic land purchase for reserve purposes
Protection of the Estuary
Safety
Safer parks
Sewerage management
The acquisition of further open space to address deficiency
Undergrounding of services