

19. CULTURAL TRAINING/WORKSHOPS

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Corporate Plan Output: Accountability	

The purpose of this report is to present Board members with an opportunity to undertake some cultural training, that has been specifically tailored to assist the Board when considering the outcomes of the Hoon Hay Needs Analysis, and will also link with the Board's objective 9.1.

An outline of the proposed training programme is attached, which will be provided by way of three, three-hour sessions (4.30pm – 7.30pm) once every two months (over a six-month period), giving a total of nine hours. The proposed venue for the training is Te Kura Kaupapa in Lyttelton Street, and will cover:

- Community Development from a Maori perspective:
 - Timeframes
 - Accountability systems/structures
 - Processes
 - Urban Maori development and how it differs from iwi-based Maori development
- Maori leadership:
 - Iwi/Runaka/Maori community
- History relevant to Spreydon/Heathcote:
 - Historical sites of significance
 - Local waterways and their significance

The Board currently has a balance in its training budget sufficient to cover the costs of the training outlined above, to be expended by 30 June 2002.

It is envisaged this training will be provided by Maurice Gray, the Upoko of te Runaka ki Otautahi o Kai Tahu, which is the tribal council for all tribes represented here in Christchurch. He is a recognised local expert on traditional practices and knowledge relating to Te Ao Maori.

He is the past Director of Maori Studies for Lincoln University and is a current member of the Christchurch City Council Maori Advisory Committee. He is the current Co-Chair of the Indigenous Peoples section of the International Association of Impact Assessment and works extensively at a strategic level with Government departments, local authorities, business and community groups on the Treaty of Waitangi/Waitaki and its practical application in the working environment.

Recommendation: For consideration and discussion.

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Recommendation: The concept of undertaking training was discussed and approved at the meeting of the Community Services and Development Committee held on 14 May 2002.