5. COMMUNITY BOARD AWARDS

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The purpose of this report is to provide information on the various awards the Board has an involvement in and to recommend an allocation for these awards from the 2002/03 discretionary fund.

The Board is involved in five Awards: Civic, Community Garden Pride, Elderly Persons Housing and Commercial, Community Service and Heritage. Four of these Awards command a level of Board funding with Civic Awards no cost to the Community Board.

CIVIC AWARDS

The Civic Awards are presented annually by the Council to individuals and organisations in recognition of voluntary service of a nature benefiting the city and its people. This service can be in several areas including recreation, youth activities, social welfare, educational services, cultural, religious or community affairs.

Nominations are processed in Civic Offices and are forwarded for consideration to the relevant Community Board in whose area the good deeds were done.

These recommendations from the Board are then referred to the Community and Leisure Committee and to the Council. A ceremony to which Board members are invited is organised.

There is no cost to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board.

COMMUNITY GARDEN PRIDE AWARDS

These awards, hosted by the Board in conjunction with the Christchurch Beautifying Association, recognise individual efforts in maintaining their garden and property. The Parks and Waterways Area Advocate and the Christchurch Beautifying Association judge them annually in January.

In previous years certificates were posted out to recipients except those that Board members chose to hand out to some recipients. This year cards were issued notifying people that certificates would be presented at a function. This was applied universally across all six board areas.

This year because of the high numbers of recipients, 131 from Hagley ward and 165 from Ferrymead ward, two award ceremonies were held. \$800 was granted from the Hagley/Ferrymead Project Funds for the 2002 awards. However, due to the large numbers participating costs are likely to exceed this amount.

For the 2003 awards the Board could decide to simply distribute the cards, post certificates and not have a function. In that case the cost for the printing of the certificates would be approximately \$600. If a function were held the cost would increase to \$1,500.

ELDERLY PERSONS HOUSING AND COMMERCIAL AWARDS

The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board has supported this extension to the metropolitan scheme. This is the only Community Board that presents these awards. A prize giving afternoon tea for recipients is held each year. This year it will be held on 9 May. Approximately 45-50 people attend this function.

The cost of the awards is approximately \$800.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

The Community Service Awards are an annual event held across all six boards, previously at different times of the year.

This year the awards will be advertised at the same time with functions held at a similar time.

The community service awards have been awarded in previous years to groups or individuals in recognition of voluntary service benefiting residents or organisations in the Hagley/Ferrymead community. Qualifying categories include sport, recreation, youth activities, education, religion, welfare services, community or cultural affairs.

The nominations are received by the Board who then decide, in public excluded session at a Board meeting who should be the year's recipients. In the past between six and 12 have received awards.

The approximately cost of these awards are \$800.

HERITAGE AWARDS

These awards recognise and reward the efforts of the community in Hagley/Ferrymead in initiatives taken to preserve the built or constructed character and heritage of the Hagley/Ferrymead area. In 2001 a new category was introduced to recognise Maori and European cultural heritage sites.

Estimated costs for the Heritage Awards 2002 will be \$2,500 which has been allocated from project funds for 2002/03.

SUMMARY

Approximate costs for the 2002/03 Awards will be \$5,600 including \$2,500 for the Heritage Awards.

The Board may like to consider allocating \$3,100 from its 2002/03 discretionary fund to cover the three remaining awards:

| • | Community Garden Pride Awards | \$1,500 |
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| • | Elderly Persons Housing and Commercial Awards | 800 |
| • | Community Service Awards | 800 |

The Board's discretionary funding for 2002/03 will be \$40,220. For the 2003/2004 awards the Board might like to consider including funding the four Awards when allocating its Project Funds.

Recommendation: That the Board allocates \$3,100 from its 2002/03 discretionary fund for the Community Service Awards, the Elderly Persons Housing and Commercial Awards, and the Community Pride Garden Awards.

| Chairman's | |
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| Recommendation: | For discussion. |