

14. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT OF 11 SEPTEMBER 2002**

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The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Wednesday 11 September 2002.

The meeting was attended by Peter Laloli (Chairperson), Bob Shearing, and Ishwar Ganda. Ken Cummings was also in attendance.

Apologies were received from Lesley Keast and Mike Mora.

1. WIGRAM GYMNASIUM AND HARVARD LOUNGE

Jacqui Leask (Community Recreation Adviser) sought \$5,960 plus GST to conduct a needs analysis to ascertain if there is a need for the Wigram Gymnasium and Harvard Lounge to be retained as a community recreation facility.

The research is required to assess a current and future need for such a facility within this area to satisfy the recreational and leisure needs of Riccarton/Wigram, which are not being met taking into consideration that the Wigram area will ultimately house up to 1900 residential units over the next 10 years.

The research is 'piggy backing' on the proposed Riccarton/Wigram Leisure Parks and Waterways Study. All relevant demographic information collected and collated will be included in the Wigram Gymnasium and Harvard Lounge Needs analysis study.

It was reported that 15 specific focus groups would be conducted as part of the consultation process. It was **agreed** that Board members would have the opportunity to meet also as a separate focus group at a time to be arranged.

The Committee recommendation is listed under clause 8 of this report.

**2. FUNDING REQUEST
"COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL MAINLY MUSIC PROGRAMME"**

Christine Graham, facilitator of the "Community Pre-school Mainly Music Programme" was in attendance to answer member's questions.

The Westside Apostolic Church and Riccarton Community Church have recently established a weekly preschool music and movement programme "Mainly Music" and have requested funding to purchase sound equipment for the programme.

At present the programme was using parts of Westside Apostolic Church's sound system. Wiring and big speakers had to be moved from the main auditorium and set up each week in a multi use room. The quality of sound was unreliable and the constant moving of equipment from one area/room to another was a major problem.

The aims of the programme are to encourage and enhance children's appreciation of music and rhythm through signing, movement and use of instruments, to promote networking between families in the community and reduce isolation and disconnectedness with others, and help reduce barriers.

The Committee recommendation is listed under clause 8 of this report.

3. BROOMFIELD/HEI HEI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Community Development Adviser updated the Committee on recent changes in the Broomfield/Hei Hei Community Development Project management structure and financial status.

The Broomfield/Hei Hei Community Worker position is now managed by the Family and Community Division of Anglican Care who have a funding contract with Christchurch City Council Social Initiatives Fund and "top up" from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board.

The Community Development Worker for Maori will be managed by Te Whare O Nga Whetu Charitable Trust and funded from Sockburn Service Centre Budget and Community Board "top up" funds.

Both positions will continue to complement each other and work together as do all the community organisations in the Hornby area.

The Committee **received** the information.

4. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

Three applications were received for funding assistance from the Youth Development Scheme.

Te Whare O Nga Whetu Trust on behalf of Xade Halbert-Pete, who has been selected by the Christchurch Polytechnic to be part of a group of 10 students to attend the indigenous development seminar in Hawaii as part of his Maori studies.

Adrian van Bysterveldt on behalf of his daughter, Katherine, who is a member of a team of three that is competing in the School Aerobic and Dance Nationals, to be held in Wellington on 14 September.

Esmae Buckland, on behalf of her son, Thomas, who has been selected to participate as a member of the 15th Grade Canterbury Districts Soccer team at a Tournament in Otago from 30 September – 4 October.

The Committee recommendation is listed under clause 8 of this report.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK JOINT BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT – 2 AUGUST 2002

In **receiving** the information the Committee noted that a local neighbourhood week walk had been organised for the 28th October named "The Beadel Lychgate – Hidden Gems of Halswell Hike". This is a flat, one-hour walk around the historic St Mary's Church, the beautiful Beadel Lychgate epitaphs and carvings of notable Christchurch pioneers and more. Meet at 2.00pm beside the Halswell Aquatic Centre car park, Halswell Road opposite the Shopping Centre.

6. COMMUNITY FACILITIES ANNUAL USE 2001/2002

The Committee was in receipt of a report, from the Assistant Community Adviser, which detailed the community usage of the three (Council-owned, and managed) facility halls, being the Riccarton Community Centre, Hei Hei Community Centre, and the Waimairi Road Community Centre.

Overall percentage usage ranged from 39% to 69%.

The Riccarton Community Centre recovered full operating costs from revenue hire, Hei Hei Community Centre 48%, being overspent on electricity, security and building maintenance and Waimairi Community Centre 88%.

The Committee **received** the information.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

It was **agreed** to change the time of meeting of the Committee from 12 noon to 8.30am.

- Wednesday 9 October 2002 at **8.30am**

8. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the Board provide \$5,960 plus GST from the 2002/2003 Discretionary Fund to conduct a needs analysis of the Wigram Gymnasium and Harvard Lounge as a community recreation facility.
- That the Board allocate \$2,332 plus GST from the 2002/03 Community Initiatives Fund to Westside Apostolic Church/Riccarton Community Pre-School "Mainly Music" programme to purchase sound equipment.

- That Board approve the following grants made from the Youth Development Fund:

1.	Xade Halbert-Pete	\$500
2.	Katherine van Bysterveldt	\$150
3.	Thomas Buckland	\$150

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Recommendations:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Committee's recommendations be adopted.