

## 15. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

15.1 For members' information attached are schedules of funds distributed in 2002/03 for the Discretionary Funds (following the allocation meeting on 20 February 2002) and the Community Response Assistance Fund.

15.2 For members' information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached.

### 15.3 NOTICE OF UPCOMING REPORTS TO THE BOARD

The following reports are expected to be presented to the Board within the next month:

- Update on planned work in Aranui - City Streets Unit.
- Horseshoe Lake Road roading/lighting issues - City Streets Unit.
- Burwood Park traffic and parking issues - City Streets Unit.
- Parklands Library and wider services - Library Unit (a joint seminar on 20 May 2003 with the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee).
- Hulverstone Drive Stopbank (outcome of consultation) - Parks and Waterways Unit.
- Sand Dunes in North Beach - Parks and Waterways Unit.
- Owles Terrace - Property Unit.
- Weed in Avon River - Parks and Waterways Unit.

### 15.4 BURWOOD/PEGASUS FUNDING ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Attached for information are the minutes of the Burwood/Pegasus Funding Assessment Committee meeting held on 1 April 2003.

### 15.5 NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK 2003

Attached for information are the minutes of the Neighbourhood Week Joint Board Committee meeting held on 21 March 2003.

### 15.6 YOUTH ACTIVITIES AT QEII

A meeting was held on 3 April 2003 for Board members to discuss ways of promoting youth activities at QEII Park with Councillor Graham Condon and Leisure Unit staff. The minutes of the meeting are attached.

In particular, note that the Leisure Unit is preparing a youth directory of local facilities and clubs and two Saturday night youth pool events are to be held as a trial. The progress on the youth initiatives is to be reviewed in approximately two months' time.

Another relevant development is the proposed plan for the use of the mezzanine floor at QEII as a Sports Hall, offering a multi-purpose sport and recreation area. The report to the Community and Leisure Committee on 7 April 2003 has been copied separately to Board members.

#### Staff

**Recommendation:** That the Board support the projects outlined at the meeting of 3 April 2003 to promote youth activities at QEII.

#### Chairperson's

**Recommendation:** That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

## 15.7 NORTH NEW BRIGHTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

The redevelopment of the Centre was considered at the meeting of the Property and Major Projects Committee on 4 April 2003. The Committee recommended to the Council meeting on 24 April 2003:

1. That the existing North New Brighton Community Centre building be refurbished in a way which:
  - (a) meets the requirements of the community with a wide range of uses;
  - (b) avoids Building Act restrictions as to uses;
  - (c) meets seismic strengthening requirements; and
  - (d) that the detailed design process involve representatives of the local community.
2. That existing funds be carried forward and additional funding be sought in the appropriate financial year to cover the costs of a refurbished facility.

## 15.8 SNELLINGS DRAIN GREEN CORRIDOR RESTORATION

A report was made to the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee meeting on 9 April 2003 to reallocate funding from the Snellings Drain Green Corridor Restoration to the Victoria Street Clock Restoration Project. The reallocation was approved.

The report noted that:

“Funding is allocated this financial year to carry out restoration work on Snellings Drain, once land purchases had been made, to widen the drainage corridor. Because the time involved in preparing this scheme took longer than anticipated, there has been little time to take any action on the proposed purchases. Bearing this in mind the \$155,000 allocated for this work will not be used this year, leaving it to be either carried forward or reallocated. As there is already further funding on the five year Capital Programme to carry out this restoration work (\$100,000 per year for the next five years), reallocation of these funds will not adversely affect the delivery of this long-term project. It will however give a more realistic timeframe to work through any issues that arise through the consultation process.”

## 15.9 NEW BRIGHTON - REINTRODUCTION OF TRAFFIC TO THE MALL

A report to the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee on 8 April 2003 sought to initiate the variation to the Special Order covering the pedestrian status of New Brighton Mall, required for a slow-road through part of the existing mall. The Committee supported the proposal and the convening of a Subcommittee consisting of Councillors Chrissie Williams, Carole Evans and Graham Condon to hear any objections to the variation. The initiation of the variation process was to be endorsed at the Council meeting on 24 April 2003.

## 15.10 MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT DECISION-MAKER ACCREDITATION SCHEME

The Department of Planning at the University of Auckland is undertaking a project on behalf of the Ministry for the Environment to recommend delivery mechanisms and providers for a decision-maker accreditation scheme.

The scheme is intended to assist local government elected decision-makers and planning commissioners in their decision-making.

The project team wishes to consult with councils, community boards and planning commissioners as the intended audience for the decision-maker training. The team is visiting eight councils or community boards, including Environment Canterbury and the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board.

The consultation meeting is expected to take two hours and cover options for scheme governance/administration, delivery and course style. Additional information will be provided prior to the meeting. It is hoped to arrange this meeting for Tuesday 13 May 2003 at 2.00 pm.

### Staff

**Recommendation:** That the Board participate in the project and all Board members be encouraged to attend the consultation with the project team.

### Chairperson's

**Recommendation:** That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

### 15.11 PROPOSED WASTEWATER OCEAN OUTFALL

A report to the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee on 8 April 2003 recommended further investigation of Bridge Street and Jellicoe Street to establish which street would be the most suitable route for an outfall pipeline. The report has been circulated separately to Board members.

The recommendations from the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee to the Council meeting on 24 April 2003 were:

1. That Jellicoe Street be the preferred option for the pipeline route pending a final report in July 2003.
2. That Beatty Street, Caspian Street, Godwit Street, Heron Street and Bridge Street be identified as the streets least favoured to be used for the wastewater ocean outfall pipeline. Also that this decision be conveyed to the residents of those streets in order to reduce anxiety and to provide a greater level of certainty for residents in the streets under consideration that no further investigation of utilising these streets for the pipe route will occur unless future circumstances require this.
3. That the street along which the pipeline is constructed, be reconstructed according to the 'living streets' principles in respect of landscaping, community facilities and amenity values.
4. That the Council grant a rates rebate to property owners on the street along which the pipeline is constructed and that in doing so the Strategy and Finance Committee be requested to address the issue of rented properties (so that the benefit of the rebate be passed on to tenants) and the amount of the rebate.
5. That should Jellicoe Street be finally selected as the route for the pipeline, the South Brighton Domain be used as the pipe-stringing area and that following completion of the project, this park be restored and enhanced with a fresh design, improved planting and in other ways to be determined by the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee in consultation with the local community.
6. That the Council provide a clear indemnity to the property owners on the street chosen against damage resulting from the pipeline construction process.
7. That the future consultation to be carried out include individual property owner visits.
8. That a further report be prepared in July on the final route for a firm decision by the Council.

The first newsletter on the proposed ocean outfall has also been distributed in April.

John Moore, Senior Planning Engineer, will be in attendance at the Board seminar on 30 April 2003 to provide an update on the progress of the proposal. Implications for the proposed Living Street and the landscaping of the affected reserve area will be included in the discussion.

### 15.12 COMMUNITY BOARD NATIONAL CONFERENCE - JUNE 2003

At the meeting on 17 February 2003 the Board nominated Bob Andrews and Gail Sheriff to attend the National Conference.

Carole Evans was subsequently appointed as an additional Councillor to the Board and she has expressed interest in attending the Conference. Originally three Board members were nominated to attend.

#### **Staff**

**Recommendation:** That the Board nominate Carole Evans as an additional representative at the 2003 Community Boards Conference in New Plymouth.

#### **Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

#### **15.13 COMMUNITY FUNDING REVIEW**

A Community and Leisure Committee seminar on 15 April 2003 discussed the report on the Community Funding Review. A copy of the report has been circulated separately to Board members. Carole Evans will report on the matters raised at the seminar.

#### **15.14 LANDFILL DECISION**

The Commissioner has approved the proposed landfill site at Kate Valley, with conditions attached. Further information will be provided as it becomes available.