3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1 Our Youth Our Community Charitable Trust

The following letter has been received from Cor van Eyk, Administrator, Our Youth Our Community Charitable Trust:

Our Youth Our Community Charitable Trust Inc wish to thank the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for the opportunity to apply for funding under discretionary funding.

We wish to apply for the amount of \$7,000, to be used for a camp \$2,400 and towards administration \$4,600.

We would like to organise a High Altitude Camp in March 2004. This camp is all about building up self-esteem and learning to work as a team.

The area in our financial budget we desperately need funding for is administration. Most organisations do not want to finance this area but it is very important part of the overall budget. Unfortunately we do have to pay our accountant/auditor and we do have to pay for insurances, hall hire, stationery/printing, postage, copying, etc on our investments to cover our overhead expenses. I was told it was okay to apply for funding towards administration and it would be really great if we could reduce our shortfall in that area.

Thank you for taking the time in reading this application.

The Community Advocate comments: At the project funding meeting on 28 February 2003, the Board allocated \$7500 towards implementing Linwood North research. Some members of the Board indicated a desire to receive an application for funding from Our Youth, Our Community Charitable Trust. The Our Youth, Our Community Charitable Trust runs programmes from the Linwood Baptist Community Church on the corner of Linwood Avenue and Worcester street which are designed to "create a safe, positive and caring environment where children, youth and families are empowered to reach their full potential" (quoted from the Trust's Mission Statement)

The Our Youth, Our Community Charitable Trust has received \$13,800 of Council funding from the Leisure Unit, Community Development Funding and the community events and special days fund within the past year. The money from the Leisure Unit is comprised of \$3000 for an annual family camp; \$4000 towards the running of weekly community youth programmes and \$1000 towards an art workshop for youth. The Community Development Funding Committee allocated \$4,300 towards volunteer expenses and training and \$500 for the replacement of board games. At the 4 June 2003 meeting, the Board allocated \$1000 towards the "We Can 2003" Art Exhibition.

The Board may wish to consider granting funding towards Our Youth, Our Community Charitable Trust from the money that was set aside for the implementation of the Linwood North research.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: For discussion.

3.2 Memorial Seat for Anthony Thorpe

The following letter has been received from Marianne Thorpe:

I have been referred to you in connection with contributing to the funding of a seat in memory of my late husband, Anthony W. Thorpe. Anthony worked for Christchurch City Council as an architect for 25 years from 1965 to 1990.

In 1993, he became chronically ill and died in December 2001.

Our family would like to have a seat made and erected on Scarborough Hill in his memory. We have lived in Scarborough at 3 Flowers Track since our marriage in 1960, and we frequently walked to the top of the hill and everywhere in between.

My daughter, Anna Thorpe-McCallum, made some inquiries regarding this project some time last year and the response from the Christchurch City Council was encouraging.

Apart from looking at ways of funding, I have discussed the design of such a seat with Loughnan Hill, a craftsman and builder from Lyttelton; he can send you a design as requested.

In view of the fact that:

- a) Anthony made a big contribution as an architect for the Christchurch City Council to a variety of public amenities (including the design of the Cathedral Square and the Nga Hau E Wha Marae);
- b) the seat is for use by the general public; and
- c) we are long term inhabitants and ratepayers of Scarborough Hill we would welcome your consideration of a contribution to the funding of this proposal.

The Parks and Waterways Area Advocate comments: In recent times there have been six commemorative seats installed in Nicholson Park on Scarborough Hill. A seat on the adjacent Flowers Track would be appropriate to meet the needs of Mrs Thorpe and her family. The site could be determined in consultation with Mrs Thorpe.

A standard park seat costs approximately \$550 installed and a plaque would cost an additional \$50 to \$300 depending upon the amount of wording.

It is suggested that the Parks and Waterways Unit could provide the seat and have it installed while Mrs Thorpe could provide the plaque.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: For discussion.