

11. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

11.1 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.

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

11.3 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.
- Burwood/Pegasus Request for Service update - Advocacy Team.
- Skateboarding facilities review - Parks and Waterways Unit.
- Parklands Library and wider services - Library Unit.
- Proposed Avon River Stopbank at Hulverstone Drive - Parks and Waterways Unit.
- Work of Community Centre Activities Coordinator - Leisure Unit.
- Proposed use of office at Wainoni/Aranui Family Centre by WINZ - Advocacy Team.

11.4 COMMUNITY BOARDS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

At the Board meeting on 27 January 2003, the Board decided to nominate Yvonne Palmer for Zone 5 representative for the New Zealand Community Board's Executive Committee.

Nominations for the position require the endorsement of two community boards. Following the January round of community board meetings, the nominations are being compiled and arrangements made for the coordination of nominatory and seconding by the boards.

It is proposed that the Board second the nomination made by the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board of Yvonne Palmer.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board second the nomination of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board of Yvonne Palmer for Zone 5 representative for the New Zealand Community Board's Executive Committee.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.

11.5 FUNCTION FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT COORDINATORS

A Board member has suggested that the Board consider hosting a function for Neighbourhood Support Coordinators in Burwood/Pegasus as a way of recognising their efforts to support the community and reduce crime. The function would be similar to the Board's International Year of Volunteers function, which attendees appeared to appreciate and enjoy.

A Board objective for 2002/03 is to contribute "to safe and healthy lifestyles by supporting and increasing the number of neighbourhood support groups in our community".

The Board may wish to consider hosting such a function annually for Neighbourhood Support Coordinators or there may be other community volunteers deserving of such recognition.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board allocate \$1,000 from the 2002/03 Discretionary funds for a function for Neighbourhood Support Coordinators in Burwood/Pegasus.

Chairperson's

- Recommendations:**
1. That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.
 2. That the Board invite a Police representative to address the function.

11.6 NORTH NEW BRIGHTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

At the meeting of 27 January 2003, the Board decided to recommend to the Property and Major Projects Committee that the North New Brighton Community Centre be refurbished to a level to meet general community needs with the existing budget framework.

A report was subsequently made to the Property and Major Projects Committee meeting on 7 February 2003 providing an update on redevelopment progress and seeking approval to tender the completed design. The Committee decided to defer making a decision on the report until its meeting on 7 March 2003, pending further information on the estimated cost of seismic strengthening and an indication of the cost of the option of rebuilding on the site.

The Committee also agreed to visit the Community Centre and will be inviting representatives of the North New Brighton Residents' Association to attend the site visit.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the Board request that its North New Brighton Community Centre Working Party be invited to the Property and Major Projects Committee's site visit to the North New Brighton Community Centre.

11.7 WAITIKIRI DRIVE ROUNDABOUT

The City Streets Unit has investigated the complaint of vehicles travelling around the Waitikiri Drive roundabout the wrong way. There is no real opportunity to carry out physical works. However, roadmarking and signs will be beefed up to remove any uncertainty. Monitoring will take place and if drivers still deliberately go the wrong way, the City Streets Unit will liaise with the Police for enforcement.

11.8 PEGASUS ART EXHIBITION

Board members have commented on the success of the Pegasus Art Exhibition. The Exhibition opened on the weekend of the Buskers Festival in New Brighton and was scheduled to run to Sunday 2 February 2003. Such has been the success that continued temporary use of the venue has been negotiated and the Exhibition is ongoing.

The idea for the Exhibition originated from the Artworks in Burwood/Pegasus Working Party. Three members of the arts community are members of the Working Party: Jayne Cummins, an artist from Dallington; Mary McCammon of the New Brighton Project; and Bon Suter of Te Pani Trust. Jayne Cummins advised the Working Party of the lack of venues to exhibit the work of emerging artists. It was decided that a dual purpose would be served by holding an exhibition in New Brighton, especially at the time when the Buskers Festival would be bringing visitors to the area.

The use of the New Brighton Bazaar was negotiated with Mark Munro by Mary McCammon, and Mitre 10 New Brighton agreed to support the Exhibition by providing netting and other materials for temporary display purposes. PEEEPs were commissioned to install them and clean the premises.

Forty-five artists exhibited their works, some showing as many as eight paintings and to date 15 works have sold. Since the opening, the Exhibition has been extremely well patronised, having maintained a steady flow of approximately 100 visitors per day. This number of visitors has continued to be maintained.

At the request of visitors to the Exhibition, a comments book was made available three days after the opening and an average of 100 people per day have used it. A selection of representative comments is recorded below:

- Good work. Good idea. Lovely Exhibition. Excellent. Very high standard. Unexpected treasure. Amazing, especially the sand art.
- Great, keep it up! Good to see, keep it going. Keep it going, it's so good! Very good, hope it keeps going. Should be permanent.
- Exciting show in OUR district. Something different at Brighton!
- Wonderful Exhibition, recognising local artists! Great for New Brighton. Congratulations to the artists. Could we have more please CCC? Very exciting, this is what we need. A great development for New Brighton. So much talent!
- What a great venue! Great use of this space.
- Been three times - enjoyed each time! The work is so cool! Awesome! Blew me away!

The Exhibition has been visited by many from outside of the area (namely Balclutha, Whangarei, Northern Ireland, Australia, Ashburton, Auckland, Oxford, Thailand, Taihape, Oregon, USA, Methven, Germany, Wellington, Belgium, Sydney, Singapore, UK, Scotland, Burnside, Woolston, California).

Following a suggestion from Mark Munro, owner of the Bazaar building, the artists have agreed to pay a commission on sales in return for the continuing use of the building until such time as a permanent tenant is found. In order to return the materials loaned by Mitre 10, and to provide more extensive and more secure hanging space, the purchase and installation of pegboard is required. Other necessary purchases include secure locks, a ladder, heaters, and an easel for artists to work at and demonstrate their techniques.

It is also possible that the New Brighton Project will be based in the Bazaar, and run an information centre from there.

It is intended to obtain quotes for the materials and minor work proposed, for use at the temporary venue or at any subsequent exhibitions. The Board may wish to consider providing additional financial support to this project.

11.9 COMMUNITY BOARD NATIONAL CONFERENCE - JUNE 2003

At the meeting on 11 November 2002, the Board nominated Carmen Hammond, Caroline Kellaway and Chrissie Williams to attend this conference, subject to their confirmation by the end of November. Caroline Kellaway and Chrissie Williams subsequently withdrew from attending the conference.

Registration and travel arrangements have been arranged for two members of the Board to attend. Another Board members may wish to consider attendance at the conference, which is in New Plymouth from 12 to 15 June 2003.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Board confirm the member(s) nominated to attend the 2003 Community Boards Conference in New Plymouth.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: For discussion.