17. APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES TO FUNDING COMMITTEE

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of nominations received for the positions of community representatives on the Riccarton/Wigram Community Funding Committee and to recommend changes to the number of Board representatives on that Committee.

The Christchurch City Council administers its Community Development Scheme Funds through seven distribution committees. Six of these committees are based within the six Community Board areas (Community Funding Committees) and consider applications from local organisations and the other committee (Metropolitan Funding Committee) considers applications from organisations providing metropolitan citywide services.

Nominations have been called for community representatives on the committees to join the Council and Community Board elected members.

Community Representatives should ideally have:

Interest and involvement in community issues/groups Some experience in committee processes Knowledge of various communities of interest The ability to be articulate and assertive.

The term of office is for three years and is on a voluntary basis. Appointments should be made so as to reflect the local community social make up with representation from relevant special population groups.

The Riccarton/Wigram Funding Committee has in the past been made up of five Community Board representatives (appointed last year for a three year term), seven community representatives including a representative from the Maori community who is appointed by the Local Runanga, and a representative from Sport Canterbury appointed to the Committee on behalf of the Hillary Commission).

With the withdrawal of Sport and Recreation New Zealand's funding scheme Boards will no longer require a representative from Sport Canterbury and are able to reduce the total number of members on the Funding Committees as the workload will be greatly reduced.

Council Policy states "that the funding committees are to consist of Community Board members and a majority of Community members" therefore it is the Community Advocacy Team's recommendation that the Riccarton/Wigram Funding Committee be made up of three Community Board representatives and four Community representatives (including a representative from the Maori community). This meets the policy of there being a majority of Community representatives and creates a more manageable sized Funding Committee.

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Recommendations:

- That the composition of the Riccarton/Wigram Community Funding Committee be made up of three Community Board representatives and four Community representatives (including a representative from the Maori community).
- 2. That the nominations received be considered in the public excluded section of this order paper.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the Officer's recommendations be adopted.