

12. 2004/05 ANNUAL PLAN PROCESS

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board that the process for the 2004/05 Annual Plan has commenced.

One of the first tasks is for the Board to provide a Planning Statement. The following is a draft Planning Statement for members' discussion.

RICCARTON/WIGRAM PLANNING STATEMENT 2004/05

Riccarton/Wigram Planning statement	Council Strategic Objectives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and fund where appropriate "Art in Public Places". Continue to support multi cultural events. Continue to support the new community library partnership with Riccarton High School. Maintain Community Liaison groups. Continue to seek partnership opportunities for local social initiatives. To provide a funding source for community initiatives in the Board area. Commence a new 2 year Community Health Project in North Hornby in partnership with Council's Leisure Unit. Provision of a funding source for the extension of services to young people in Riccarton/Wigram. To provide community events to the people of Riccarton/Wigram 	<p>A COMMUNITY COHESION AND WELLBEING The Community Board will enhance community cohesion and wellbeing through:</p> <p>A1 Maximising opportunities for residents to participate in learning and leisure activities by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting and providing visual and performing arts. <p>A2 Strengthening communities by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding and supporting community initiatives, festivals and community organisations Working with community groups, government agencies and other funding bodies to address key areas of social need Initiating and supporting Community Development Projects
	Environmental Sustainability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to work with ECan to ensure that the city aquifers are not subject to pollution from illegal dumping of toxic materials in local dump sites. Work with other Council Units to educate and encourage residents on the need to maintain waterways around the city. Maintain a vigorous/rigorous dialogue with Planners on the need to avoid housing development on productive farming and horticultural land close to the city. 	<p>C The City Council will contribute to Christchurch's Environmental sustainability through:</p> <p>C1 Managing our impact on the environment in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain water quality in streams and rivers Maintain production potential of fertile soils
	D Democratic Governance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board will ensure that its meetings are open to all residents. That Council's policy on consultation is effectively promoted and adhered to. That participation in local decisions by residents is seen as a natural aspect of governance. 	<p>The Council will facilitate democratic governance for the residents of Christchurch by:</p> <p>D1 Creating and maintaining mechanisms for citizens' participation in decision making and policy development.</p>

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