8. REQUEST FROM METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY DISCRETIONARY FUND

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The purpose of this report is to seek a grant of \$15,000 from the Metropolitan Community Discretionary Fund for Impact World Tour (New Zealand Trust).

At its meeting on 7 April 2003, the Community and Leisure Committee was asked for comment by the Metropolitan Funding Subcommittee on a request for funding of \$51,093 plus GST from Impact World Tour (IWT). IWT, in conjunction with Christchurch and Canterbury youth agencies, is hosting a series of social, cultural, education and recreational events throughout the city and the wider Canterbury region for youth during a two week period in December 2003. This will culminate in a four day multimedia performance at the Westpac Centre. IWT is seeking Council funding support for the hire cost of the Westpac Centre.

The request was initially considered for Council Events Seeding by the Metropolitan Funding Subcommittee. The Subcommittee sought a perspective on the event from the Community and Leisure Committee. The Committee viewed a promotional video and recorded its support, in principle, for the event.

The Metropolitan Funding Subcommittee has now agreed to fund \$20,000 to the event. The Subcommittee also recommended that a further request be considered by the Community and Leisure Committee of \$15,000 from the 2003/04 Metropolitan Community Discretionary Fund for this event. If the recommendation is agreed upon the money will not be released until July.

I have approached five community organisations who all gave strong support for the Impact World Tour event to be held in Christchurch in December. IWT is engaging with local youth agencies and young people in the running of the locally based two week programme of events.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Community and Leisure Committee allocate \$15,000 from the

2003/04 Metropolitan Community Discretionary Fund for the Impact World Tour Westpac Centre event to be held in Christchurch, December 2003.

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Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.