

## 19. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

19.1 For members' information attached are schedules of funds distributed in 2003/04 for the Discretionary Funds (following the allocation meeting on 19 February 2003) and the Community Response Assistance Fund.

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

### 19.3 POWER TO ACT

As the Board will not meet again until January 2004 consideration needs to be given to a process to deal with any urgent matters that may arise in the intervening period. In past years the Board has resolved to give the power to act on its behalf to specified members or a subcommittee, with the application of the delegated power reported back to the Board.

#### Staff

- Recommendations:**
1. That a Recess Subcommittee comprising the Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson or their nominees and a Councillor representing the relevant ward(s) for the issue be authorised to exercise the delegated powers of the Board in the period from 17 November 2003 to 26 January 2004.
  2. That the application of any such delegation be reported back to the Board for record purposes.

#### Chairperson's

**Recommendation:** That the abovementioned recommendations be adopted.

### 19.4 BUSINESS UNIT RESPONSES TO BOARD PROJECT PROPOSALS

Responses have been received from Council Business Units to the Board's 2004/05 Project Proposals and circulated separately to Board members. The Board may wish to seek clarification of items or address any concerns with the relevant Business Units.

#### Staff

**Recommendation:** That Board members inform the Community Advocate by 21 November 2003 of any responses from Business Units to the Board's 2004/05 Project Proposals to be followed up by the Chairperson and Community Advocate meeting with relevant Unit Managers.

#### Chairperson's

**Recommendation:** That the abovementioned recommendation be adopted.