

**9. CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR RECESS PROCESS
DELEGATION FOR COMMUNITY BOARD ISSUES**

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's consideration to put in place a Board decision-making process over the Christmas/New Year period.

Today is the Board's final scheduled meeting until Wednesday 4 February 2004.

This means that, except for Board Committees which have (at today's meeting) been provided with "power to act" (and Special Meetings convened by resolution under Standing Orders) there is no mechanism for Community Board decision-making between today and 4 February 2004.

In order that routine Board business can be conducted, it is considered appropriate that issues that would normally require Board deliberation be delegated to the Board Chairperson and an agreed number of members (those who will be in town during this time, preferably).

Any decisions made will be advised to all members and reported back to the 4 February 2004 meeting.

Recommendation: That The Board give consideration to establishing a recess process committee to deal with, and make decisions if necessary on, Board issues that may arise, for the period 20 November 2003 to 31 January 2004.

Chairman's Recommendation: That the Officer's recommendation be adopted.