

11. COMMUNITY CENTRES – SHIRLEY/PAPANUI

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The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the operation of the community centres in the Board's area for the 2002/2003 year.

ABBERLEY PARK HALL

The year saw four groups utilising the hall on a regular basis. During the year the hall was used for social functions including wedding celebrations, and birthday parties for both young and old. The usage is on a par with last year, that is, on average, 3 to 4 times during week and at least once on the weekends.

Current user charges are:

<i>Hourly Rate</i>	\$6.00
<i>Half Day</i>	\$25.00
<i>Social Function</i>	\$140.00

These are the same as last year.

There were no Health and Safety issues during the year.

OURUHIA HALL

During the year the new committee worked hard promoting the use of the hall with trends showing a gradual increase in use. There is one regular monthly user (Bowls Club) and two other semi-regular users during the year - the Garden Club, and the Ouruhia Residents Association. This is a decrease of one, the Ouruhia School now uses a larger hall due to the increase in the school roll.

Current charges are:

<i>21st Birthdays</i>	\$175.00
<i>Weddings</i>	\$195.00

There is a \$5.00 increase in the charge for weddings, which includes the use of the hall the night before the function for decorating purposes. Other uses are charged on a negotiated basis. The committee now charges a refundable bond of \$100 for 21sts and weddings.

The Property Unit have done minor exterior building maintenance works during the year and have programmed the toilets upgrade for next year. Consideration is also being given for the replacement of the MDF floor.

There were no Health and Safety issues during the year.

ST ALBANS COMMUNITY CENTRE

During this year the use of the hall has maintained last year's levels for regular and casual users of the facility. Several groups are hiring the facility on a regular basis for displays, exhibitions, etc.

On average between 5 and 10 people are coming into the centre between 11am and 2pm for information, which is similar to last year.

Annual occupancy has remained steady on 75%. On most evenings the Centre is working to capacity.

The centre is affiliated with Hagley Community College and runs several community education courses during the year.

Current charges are:

	Community Groups	Commercial
<i>Hourly Rate</i>	\$6 per hour per room	\$10 per hour per room
<i>Exhibition/long term</i>	Negotiable – Max \$40 per day.	Negotiable

These charges are the same as last year's. The committee decided against introducing a small extra fee for the use of the kitchen.

The Centre is hiring the hall out for small social functions on a Saturday night at \$20.00 per hour for the sole use of the facility with strict conditions on noise levels. This hire is at the discretion of the Centre.

The Community Constable has continued with the hire one of the rooms on a one-year contract basis.

No Health and Safety issues arose during the year.

SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Usage of the centre has declined slightly on last year's levels with five "permanent tenants" (same as last year), 29 regular users (down three) and approximately 23 casual users (down 11) during the year. Total bookings for the year not including permanent tenants equalled 1,406 (down 22). This represents a 26% usage based on three "peak" sessions per day, 7 days per week for 52 weeks.

Annual total occupancy (including permanent tenants) = 73% (down 1%).

During the year hire charges were increased slightly.

Current charges per 3hr "peak" session are:

	Non-Profit	Commercial
<i>Hall Use</i>	\$35.00 (up \$3.50)	\$77.00 + GST (Up \$7.00)
<i>Room</i>	\$22.00 (up \$2.00)	\$44.00 + GST (Up \$4.00)

Current "Off-peak" and hourly rates are (1hr/2hr)

	Non-Profit	Commercial
<i>Hall Use</i>	\$9.00	
<i>Room</i>		

No significant maintenance works were required during the year.

No Health and Safety issues were raised.

From 1 July 2003, the maintenance of all of the above buildings, both inside and outside, has become the responsibility of the Property Unit. The Community Relations Unit will still have responsibility as regards to facility management and support for the various Management Committees.

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairperson's

Recommendation: That the staff recommendation be adopted.