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# COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE 6 APRIL 1998

## A meeting of the Community Services Committee was held on Monday 6 April 1998 at 4.00 pm

PRESENT:	Councillor Lesley Keast (Acting Chairperson), Councillors Carole Anderton, Graham Condon, David Cox, Anna Crighton, Ishwar Ganda, Pat Harrow and Barbara Stewart.
IN ATTENDANCE:	Councillor David Close was in attendance until 5.20 pm and was present for clauses 1 to 4, 7 and part of clause 6.
	Wayne Cosgrove and Yanni Johansen (Youth Council representatives).
APOLOGIES:	Apologies for absence were received and accepted from the Mayor and Councillors Garry Moore and Carole Evans.
	Councillor Graham Condon retired temporarily from 5.05 pm to 5.15 pm and was absent for part of clause 6.
	Councillor David Cox retired at 6.20 pm and was absent for part of clause 9.

The Committee noted that Councillor Moore had not been able to attend because of the death of his father and extended its condolences to him.

The Committee reports that:

## PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

## 1. OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMME INTERAGENCY ADVISORY GROUP SUBMISSION

RR 7379

<b>Officer responsible</b> Leisure and Community Services Manager	Author Louise Birkett, Out of School Programme Researcher
Corporate Plan Output: Council and Community Boards	

The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's endorsement for a submission to relevant Members of Parliament to request support and recognition for Out of School Programmes.

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Councillors will recall a report to this Committee in August 1997 regarding the city-wide research on Out of School Programmes and Issues.

As a result of that report, an Interagency Advisory Group was established, and an Out of School Programme Researcher was employed within the Leisure and Community Services Unit for six months to assist with the implementation of the report's recommendations. A list of group members is attached.

The Interagency Advisory Group, which includes a representative from each Community Board, has been meeting regularly since October 1997. At its last meeting, the group agreed that it was timely, especially in view of recent government moves such as the Code of Social Responsibility and the Employment Strategy (to move Beneficiaries into paid employment), to send a submission to selected Members of Parliament to:

- 1. Inform them of the need of Out of School Programmes in light of recent government social and economic policy.
- 2. Highlight the needs and issues of Out of School Programmes.
- 3. To request Government assistance and support in light of the above.

The group also agreed to seek Council's endorsement of their submission.

The submission follows:

#### "Out of School Programme Submission

This submission is for the purpose of drawing to your attention the urgent need for Central Government to provide practical and meaningful support for organisations and services involved in the delivery of Out of School Care for primary school aged children, and the contribution that such services can make in "creating the secure and confident community we all dream of ..." (p.1, Towards a Code of Social and Family Responsibility).

#### CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH

In 1996, Health Research Services were contracted by Christchurch City Council to undertake a research report entitled "The need for and use of current and future out of school programmes (OSPs) by children 5-12 years of age in Christchurch". The research concluded by highlighting the demand for out of school programmes in Christchurch. "Children and parents want OSPs that are safe, ... have effective supervision of children, ... offer a secure and familiar environment to children ... [and] should be

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affordable". (Christchurch City Report, Executive Summary). Priorities for parents regarding after school and holiday programmes included having a place to send children while the parents are at work, in training, or undergoing study.

As a result of this research, Christchurch City Council set up an Out of School Care Interagency Advisory Group to promote and develop out of school hours care provision in Christchurch. This working party includes representatives from organisations who have been involved in the delivery of, and see the benefits and overwhelming need for, After School and Holiday programmes.

#### OSCAR/DAP PILOT PROJECT

Central Government acknowledged the significance of out of school hours care by funding an extension of Out of School Care and Recreation programmes into "communities of need" in July 1996 through the Development Assistance Programme, managed by the New Zealand Community Funding Agency of the Department of Social Welfare. In response to a key question in the Pilot evaluation "Have OSCAR programmes improved parental access to and involvement in labour market activity?"

- over half the OSCAR parents reported that OSCAR meant they were able to stay in paid work
- a third of parents reported that OSCAR provided the time for education and training
- a third of parents reported that OSCAR enabled them to extend paid work hours

As the current direction of Government social and economic policy appears to be to encourage and assist as many people as possible, **many of whom are parents**, to move off benefits back into the workforce, provision and ongoing support of quality out of school hours care plays a vital role in achieving this Government's objectives. Furthermore, the most recent trend in the unemployment figures indicates that the number of unemployed is increasing (Statistics New Zealand). Any initiatives assisting beneficiaries to participate in the workforce must surely be supported.

In addition, there are longer term financial savings on Income Support payments by supporting those undertaking training or study. In Australia, net financial savings estimated at **\$91 million** were achieved, **over and above childcare assistance and education and training programmes**, through the Job, Education and Training (JET) Scheme for the 1996/97 financial year (Midland Centrelink, 1998).

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#### EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY

Changes made to the Employment Strategy by the Employment Task Force in April 1997 require that, amongst others, Dependent Parent Beneficiaries, those on Widow's Benefit and spouses of Unemployment Benefit recipients with children between the ages of 7 and 14, attend mandatory interviews to "[encourage] customers to plan towards independence and employment" (Employment Task Force, April 1997). Part of this plan must by necessity include provision of childcare for children out of school hours. Lack of provision of Out of School Care means that

- parents are not in a position to take up employment or training without potentially breaking the law by leaving their school age child/ren unattended at home
- *it is difficult for working parents to have ongoing and close supervision of their children if they are at work at times when their children are not at school.*

#### "TOWARDS A CODE OF SOCIAL AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY"

Parental responsibilities are highlighted in Issue 1 "Looking after our Children" and Issue 6 "Young Offenders" in the Government Public Discussion Document "Towards a Code of Social and Family Responsibility" (1998). The responsibilities of beneficiaries with children as defined in the Employment Strategy to actively seek and undertake work or training, are potentially in conflict with parental responsibilities as described in "the Code of Responsibility" without the backup support structures in place to enable them to fulfil these dual responsibilities. It is acknowledged in the Social Responsibility Discussion Document that some parents need the assistance of family members, friends and/or social services to cope (p.6, Towards a Code of Social and Family Responsibility). The provision of care for children out of school would reduce barriers to taking up employment and training opportunities offered, as well as ensuring children are supervised in a caring, safe environment.

# How Central Government can directly support Out of School Hours services

By putting together a package which includes:

- Funding
  - Financial Assistance with establishment of new out of school hours services

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- Direct financial support in the form of ongoing subsidies for Out of School Hours Programmes
- Extension of the NZISS Childcare Subsidy currently available for preschool children of people on lower incomes, to include primary school aged children
- Regulatory

Setting of National operating standards for Out of School Hours services, such as:

- Development of a recognised policy to cover 5 to 12 age group
- Child : staff Ratios
- Health and Safety requirements
- Programming standards
- Support for nationally accredited training course to:
  - Recognise the Professional standards of care required for high quality service delivery
  - Raise the profile of Out of School Hours provision above that of "just babysitting".

Below is a list of all the organisations who have representatives participating in the Out of School Care Advisory Group initiated by Christchurch City Council. This submission therefore has the endorsement of a wide variety of organisations and agencies.

Christchurch City Council OSCAR Network (Christchurch) OSCAR Development Corporation (Christchurch) Riccarton/Wigram Community Board Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board Shirley/Papanui Community Board Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board Burwood/Pegasus Community Board Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board Barnardos (Christchurch) YMCA Creative After School Programmed Activities (CASPA) Woolston Development Project

Would you please advise us on how your government is going to address these issues. We look forward to your response in the near future."

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**Recommendation:** That the Council endorse the submission of the Out of School Programme InterAgency Advisory Group.

## 2. CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL YOUTH WORK PROJECT RR 7396

Officer responsible	Author	
Leisure and Community Services Manager	Julie Macdonald	
Corporate Plan Output: Council and Community Boards		

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the progress and achievements of the youth work project begun in 1997 and to make recommendations about the further funding of this project.

#### INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Christchurch City Council decided in 1996 to allocate \$120,000 (per year) to fund three new street youth work positions based in community agencies for a three year period. These positions would involve a minimum of two days direct street youth work in liaison with a Police co-ordinator and the remaining three days carrying out youth work duties specified by the agency in its original application for the project.

The City Council asked the Christchurch Safer Community Council to oversee and administer the youth work scheme and at the end of 1996 an Inter-Agency Group was drawn together to oversee the project<sup>1</sup>. This group advertised the positions, interviewed applicant agencies and entered into contracts with the successful applicants. The successful agencies and youth workers were:

New Way Trust - Grant Harris Hoon Hay Youth Centre Inc - Tonto Nielson Wai Ora Trust - Ricky Ehau

The contract began on 10 February 1997. After the project began the Inter-Agency Group decided that the youth workers should (in addition to the negotiated contract) take on a case load of clients referred by Police Youth Aid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Members of the Inter Agency Group were Laurie Dalziel (Chairperson), Constable Julie Fifield (Police representative and street youth work co-ordinator), Maria McEntyre (Department of Internal Affairs), Maryanne Lomax (Community Employment Group), Julie Meyers (Youth Employment Service), Brigid Lenihan (Employment Services, Christchurch City Council), Councillor Garry Moore (Christchurch City Council), Jan McLauchlan (Christchurch Safer Community Council), John Harrington (Canterbury Youth Workers' Collective) and Jenni Norton (Children and Young Persons' and their Families Service).

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#### **DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT**

The Inter-Agency Group met regularly to oversee the management of the project. In September 1997 the Group decided that the management of the project had become too complex and should be left to a smaller operationally focused group. The Inter Agency Group ceased to meet and since this time monitoring of the project has been undertaken by a Monitoring Group comprising Maria McEntyre (Department of Internal Affairs), Brigid Lenihan (Employment Services, Christchurch City Council), Sergeant Chris Roper (Police Youth Aid) and Julie Macdonald (Community Services, Christchurch City Council). The Safer Community Council provides administrative support to the Monitoring Group.

## EVALUATION

The project has now been operating for one year (at February 1998). Each agency is required as a part of its contract with the Christchurch City Council to submit an Annual Evaluation Report. It is the role of the Monitoring Group to consider these reports and assess the success of the project over the first year and to make recommendations to Council about whether a further year's funding should be granted. It is also noted that the Monitoring Group has received funding from the Safer Community Council to undertake an independent evaluation of the project.

At this stage, an Annual Evaluation Report (required by Friday 13 March) has not been submitted by the New Way Trust. Grant Harris resigned from the New Way Trust at the end of 1997 to take up a new position with the Field Workers in Schools project. Since then the Monitoring Group has had discussions with the Chairperson of the New Way Trust about the ability of the New Way Trust to support the employment of another worker. By failing to submit an adequate Annual Evaluation Report the New Way Trust is unable to demonstrate achievement of the project objectives or financial and management accountability. The New Way Trust has also declined to present a request for a further year's funding.

#### **ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES**

The following is the Monitoring Group's summary of the activities and outcome of the first year of the project.

- A team of Police and youth workers have worked in the city every Friday night since the beginning of the project.
- The Police report that while there has been no change in youth offending overall in Christchurch there has been a decrease in youth street violence.

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- There has been an improvement in the working relationship between youth workers and Police as demonstrated by the successful collaboration between these two groups at Classical Sparks.
- The Wai Ora Trust youth worker has been involved in the following:
  - working with a total of 75 young people (excluding brief contacts)
  - running three holiday programmes for young people aged 10-16 years
    working on Wai Ora programmes focusing on employment, training and education for young people
  - establishment of an outreach office in Aranui
  - street work with the Police (less than 8 hours per week)
  - work with CYPFS Supervision with Activity referrals (funded by CYPFS)
- The Hoon Hay youth worker has been involved in the following:
  - working with nine Police referred clients for 8 hours per week
  - running a drop-in for local young people (2 days per week)
  - running two camps
  - running a weekly club working on violence issues targeting boys 11-13 years (with 11 members)
  - team sports targeting young people aged 13 years and over
  - running four holiday programmes for children 5-10 years (average attendance 40 children)
  - running three holiday programmes for young people aged 11 years and over (average attendance 18 young people)
  - attended a camp with Police referred clients
  - liaison with school and educational agencies
  - street work with the Police for 8 hours per week

#### ISSUES

The following is the Monitoring Group's summary of issues raised during this evaluation process by the employing agencies, youth workers and others working with youth at risk in Christchurch.

• Almost all those involved in the project (including Hoon Hay Youth Centre, Wai Ora Trust, the Police and Monitoring Group) have identified that there is a major conflict between the expectations of the employing agencies and the two days of the project co-ordinated by the Police. This has led to problems with monitoring the workloads of the youth workers. Tonto Nielson commented in his report that "with only 8 hours for street work and 8 hours for Police referred clients there is not enough time for adequate client follow up". In support of this local Police and others

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working with youth at risk have commented that there seems insufficient time in the project for the youth workers to deal adequately with their existing client loads or to take other non-Police referrals.

- The employing agencies have not felt able to take responsibility for the street work or case load part of the project. There have been difficulties supervising workers who are part of two separate teams and this has sometimes led to a lack of accountability on the part of the worker.
- There are some difficulties establishing boundaries between the Youth Work Project and other activities undertaken by the youth work agencies. For example, Wai Ora has used some of the project time to work with CYPFS funded clients.
- Competing demands (between the youth work agencies and the street work component) mean that there is potential for the youth workers to become overworked and 'burnt out' trying to meet all their objectives. This is evidenced by the fact that one of the workers has resigned and another has indicated that he feels under enormous pressure in the present project structure. The third worker will, in future, be employed elsewhere in this organisation on other projects.
- The different approaches to the project taken by the employing agencies have led to some difficulties within the street youth work team. For example, there have been differing expectations about the hours available for street work and for working with Police referred clients.

#### CONCLUSION

Overall the youth work project has been well managed. Each of the employing agencies and youth workers has worked genuinely towards achieving the outcomes of the project. At the end of one year it is clear that some changes need to occur to allow the original objectives of the project to be achieved. The Monitoring Group would like to see the project changed to allow a stronger focus on the aim to decrease violent and criminal activity involving young people. The Monitoring Group therefore makes the following recommendations.

Recommendation:

1. That the City Council decline to renew youth work project funding for the New Way Trust, the Hoon Hay Youth Centre and the Wai Ora Trust.

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- 2. That the New Way Trust, Hoon Hay Youth Centre and Wai Ora Trust be formally thanked by the Council for their valuable contribution to this pilot project.
- 3. That the Christchurch City Council and the Police develop a new job description which focuses on street work and a case load of Police-referred clients.
- 4. That the three positions be readvertised and filled by the City Council (in consultation with the Police) and that this happens within a timeframe which allows continuous employment for the present workers (should they be successful applicants).
- 5. That the new positions are jointly accountable to a Police and City Council project team.
- 6. That the new positions be based in a community setting rather than in the Central Police Station.
- 7. That the City Council enters into a formal partnership with the Police which establishes this project structure.

The Chairperson comments:

Councillors will recall that this project came about as a result of the murders of two young people in Christchurch. As a result of excellent work by the three workers on this team, the Police and the work of the members of the Youth Workers Collective, there has not been another murder. The project has been successful just on this count.

The community agencies have entered into this project with great sense of commitment and I believe that we have a moral obligation, at the very least, to seek Central Government funding for the staffing which they will have removed from their projects as a result of the rejigging being recommended by the monitoring party.

I would also like to thank the members of the monitoring party who have contributed a considerable amount of time, effort and experience to this project. This city has a proud history of commitment beyond the normal call of duty and all members of the monitoring party have been fantastic in their support for this project.

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**Recommendation:** 

- 1. That the project be modified and the Christchurch City Council and the Police develop a new job description which focuses on street work and a case load of Police-referred clients.
  - 2. That the New Way Trust, Hoon Hay Youth Centre and Wai Ora Trust be formally thanked by the Council for their valuable contribution to this pilot project and be informed that their funding will not be continued.
  - 3. That the three positions be readvertised and filled by the City Council (in consultation with the Police).
  - 4. That the new positions report to the Police and Christchurch City Council Project Team but are directly accountable to the Christchurch City Council.
  - 5. That the new positions be based in a community setting rather than in the Central Police Station.
  - 6. That a sub-committee consisting of Councillors Garry Moore, Carole Anderton and Barbara Stewart and relevant staff discuss with the Police a formal partnership to establish the project structure.
  - 7. That the Christchurch City Council endorse any application for the New Way Trust, Hoon Hay Youth Centre and Wai Ora Trust to the Lotteries Commission to compensate for the staff removed when this project is reformed.
  - 8. That the Minister of Social Welfare be requested to support such applications from the groups.
  - 9. That all those who have served on advisory committees to this project be thanked for their contribution.
  - 10. That consideration be given to the Christchurch City Council sponsoring up to 10 youth to participate in the limited service volunteer scheme.

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## **3.** FORFAR STREET PRE-SCHOOL

Officer responsible Community Manager	Author Bruce Moher, Community Activities Officer
Corporate Plan Output: Community Services	

The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of the resolution of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board that the Forfar Nursery and Pre-School be recognised as a community creche under the Christchurch City Council Childcare Policy.

## **REPORT TO COMMUNITY BOARD**

A copy of the report to the Community Board is set out below:

"The purpose of this report is to present the Forfar Nursery and Preschool to the Community Board and to seek formal recognition of the group under the Christchurch City Council policy. Ingrid Stonhill, President, will be present to answer any questions.

## Background

Members will recall that this organisation approached the Board last year for funding to carry out work required by Healthlink South. The group is now seeking formal approval under the Christchurch City Council Childcare Policy.

## The Policy

Under the Christchurch City Council Policy, Community Creches should be:

- *Community managed.*
- Operate on a not for profit base (ie no member of the group/society makes financial gain from the profits of the creche's operation.
- Casual use (ie the centre maintains an open roll, with equitable attendance opportunities for all).

Forfar Nursery and Pre-school fulfils all three of these criteria.

## The future

Under the policy any such approved organisations could be eligible for the following from the Council:

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- 1. Advice, support and accommodation assistance for existing community creches. This would be dependent upon an annual survey demonstrating continuing need for the assistance and service.
- 2. Financial assistance in addition to accommodation. Such assistance would consider the following factors:
  - socio-economic status of the area
  - *ability of the local community to fundraise*
  - availability of other options for assistance and funding, including user charges.
- 3. Relocation of existing creches. A number of factors would be considered in assessing such a request:
  - *local pre-school population;*
  - location and types of other preschool services;
  - suitability of existing or alternative premises;
  - support of the local community;
  - socio-economic status of the area;
  - *ability of the local community to fundraise;*
  - availability of other options for assistance and funding, including user charges.

It should be noted that the Forfar Nursery and Pre-school is not seeking any of the above assistance at this stage and is not expecting to do so in the foreseeable future."

#### Comments from the Community Adviser Childcare are set out below:

"For the Committee's information, the majority of community creches which receive Council support under the current Childcare Policy have had an historical association with the Council. That is, they were community development initiatives which were supported in various ways by the Council prior to the adoption of the Childcare Policy. The policy is silent on "formal recognition" of community creches, and has no formal process for recognising creches. The policy merely formalised an existing arrangement with a number of community creches. The policy does, however, specify "criteria for eligibility". The Forfar Nursery and Pre-school clearly meets these criteria, as stated in the report.

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A very small number of creches which were not receiving any form of Council assistance before the adoption of the Childcare Policy, but which met the criteria in the policy, have successfully requested assistance from their Community Board or Service Centre, in line with that policy. For example, the Fendalton Waimairi Community Board has provided a rent subsidy for the Cotswold Nursery and Preschool for the past few years.

This assistance has been determined by the Community Board or Community Manager, and has not required approval by the Community Services Committee.

While it is not a requirement, there is no reason for the Committee to not adopt this recommendation."

**Recommendation:** That the Forfar Nursery and Pre-School be recognised as a community creche under the Christchurch City Council Childcare Policy.

## PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

# 4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

### MR WARREN PRINGLE - CHRISTCHURCH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Mr Pringle addressed the Committee on the objectives of the Community Arts Council in particular the role that he saw for it in advocacy, consultation and inclusion with the arts community and in the formation of the Council's revised Arts Policy. Mr Pringle saw greater involvement for the Community Arts Council with relevant Council staff, the Art in Public Places Working Party and representation on the Community Services Committee.

It was **decided** that the Christchurch Community Arts Council be placed on the agenda mailing list for the Community Services Committee and that they seek speaking rights on any topics which concerned them. In addition a report was to be brought to the next meeting on the present status of the Arts Policy and it was indicated to Mr Pringle that the Christchurch Community Arts Council would be consulted and involved as part of the process involved with the revised policy.

### MR JOHN LOUGHTON - HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Mr Loughton spoke further to the notice of motion by Councillor Graham Berry to the March 1998 Council meeting which had been referred to the Community Services Committee.

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Mr Loughton gave the background to Habitat for Humanity and answered questions from Councillors concerning its operations in Christchurch and New Zealand. To date they had built two houses in Christchurch for families, been involved in three renovations and purchased land for an additional two houses. The basis of the programme was for new owners to provide 'sweat equity' into their future homes and the terms of purchase protected the interests of Habitat for Humanity in the event of an early sale.

Mr Loughton confirmed that up to 10 homes would need to be erected in order for the scheme to become self funding and he would like the Council to be involved in an ongoing partnership arrangement.

It was **decided** the matter be referred to the Housing Review Working Party for consideration and reporting back.

## 5. CANTERBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY TRUST PROJECT

RR 7450

The Committee considered a report from Mr John Truesdale, Information Technology Manager from the Central Library on the Community Trust funded Information and Technology programme.

A total grant of \$300,000 had been received from the Community Trust and Mr Truesdale reported on the manner in which the project had been implemented.

The information was **received** and in addition the Committee asked for staff to investigate whether the opportunity existed for the sale of naming rights to floors in the Central Library.

#### 6. DIRECTORY OF PUBLIC ART IN CHRISTCHURCH

RR 7449

The Senior Curator of the Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Neil Roberts reported on the progress of the Directory of Public Art in Christchurch.

This had been requested at the Committee's Annual Plan Review meeting in October 1997 and Mr Roberts advised that the Directory had now been completed and was expected to be printed shortly.

Concern was expressed that at present responsibility for public art was divided between Southpower, the Robert McDougall Art Gallery and Parks Unit and that no one central unit was responsible for updating of the Directory and for conservation and management of public art.

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It was **decided** a copy of the Directory be circulated to members of the Committee as soon as this was available and that in addition a report be provided to the Committee addressing the above issues and any other matters arising from the Directory.

# 7. HOUSING REVIEW WORKING PARTY - AVEBURY HOUSE RR 7326

The Committee considered a report from the Housing Review Working Party in relation to the possible use of this property for housing purposes. Following a site visit the Working Party confirmed that it did not recommend its use for Council managed housing.

## The Committee **decided**:

- 1. That Drug Arm Christchurch be thanked for their interest and advised that the Council did not consider it appropriate to proceed with this option at this stage.
- 2. That an Intra-unit Working Party (EPP, Property, LACSU, Parks Units) further consider options and report back to the appropriate Community Boards/Committee.
- 3. That staff identify any heritage features inside the building which should be preserved.

# 8. REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1997/98 CORPORATE PLAN

This item was carried forward for consideration at a later date.

## 9. NCC (NZ) LIMITED - QUARTERLY REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 1997

Mr Mike Kelly (CEO) NCC (NZ) Limited attended the meeting and spoke to the report together with Mr Mike Godber, Vice-Chairman of NCC and Chief Executive of Addington Raceway Limited.

Mr Kelly spoke to the five key issues covered in the report of:

- Financial performance
- Occupancy
- Economic impact
- Operating costs
- Marketing challenges

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The opportunity was then taken for members to ask questions from Mr Kelly and Mr Godber on the report.

The Committee received the report from NCC (NZ) Limited.

## PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE

**10.** The Chairman sought the approval of the Committee to introduce a supplementary report on the following topic:

NCC (NZ) Limited - Quarterly Report to 31 December 1997.

The reason why the item was not on the agenda for the meeting and why the matter could not wait for the next meeting was explained to the Committee.

The Committee **resolved** that the report be received and considered at the present meeting.

The meeting concluded at 6.20 pm

# CONSIDERED THIS 22ND DAY OF APRIL 1998

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# **REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

# 11. SUBMISSION ON CODE OF SOCIAL AND FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY

RR 7500

<b>Officer responsible</b> Director of Policy	Author Senior Policy Analyst, Jennifer Pitcher.
Corporate Plan Output: 4.1.16, Policy Advice.	

The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of Council to a submission on the above document as resolved at the Council meeting of 25 March 1998.

A metropolitan community discussion forum was held on Wednesday 15 April 1998 at the Civic Offices.

Following this meeting elected representatives and staff meet to finalise the draft submission a copy of which has been circulated separately to Councillors.

# Chairman's

**Recommendation:** 

That the draft submission on the discussion document on the 'Code of Social and Family Responsibility' as circulated, and tabled, be approved for submission to Government.