18. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

(a) CHRISTMAS BREAK – EMERGENCY DECISION MAKING

The Board **decided** to appoint an emergency committee with power to act to deal with emergency issues on behalf of the Board during the break between the 1 December 1999 Board meeting and the 2 February 2000 Board meeting.

The Board further **decided** that the emergency committee should function under the following guidelines:

- 1. The Committee will have power to act to make emergency decisions on behalf of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board during the period from 2 December 1999 until seven days before the first scheduled meeting in the year 2000.
- 2. The Committee will consist of the Chairman and any three available members of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board.
- 3. Meeting notices will be forwarded to Board members.
- 4. Any decisions made will be reported to the first meeting of the Community Board in the year 2000.

(b) MEETING DATES FOR 2000

The Board **agreed** upon a schedule of meetings for the year 2000 with a commencing time of 4.30pm for Community Board meetings and of 3.30pm for Community Focus and Seminar meetings.

The possibility of holding Community Board meetings at venues other than the Boardroom at the Linwood Service Centre was discussed. Board members asked the Community Advocate to send out a memorandum inviting them to suggest alternative meeting venues for the year 2000.

(c) PENGUIN COLONY

John Freeman invited any interested persons to contact him for a guided tour of the Harris Bay penguin colony on Thursday 9 December 1999.

(d) PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES

The Board noted that arrangements would be made for newly elected local parliamentarians to attend either a Community Focus Committee or Seminar Meeting of the Board in the new year.

(e) **BOARD SEMINAR MEETING**

The Board considered a report of the Seminar Meeting held on Wednesday 17 November 1999 and **received** the information.

(f) **DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURE**

The Board considered a schedule of the discretionary fund allocations to date, showing that a balance of \$25,688 remained for allocation.

The Board **received** the information.