The Parks Manager submitted a report outlining a proposal to establish a high quality arts and craft market on the foreshore at New Brighton. The proposal is an initiative of New Brighton Projects Incorporated (Mainstreet) which has been established to develop business, community and leisure opportunities to promote New Brighton and surrounding areas.

In his report to the Committee, the Parks Manager advised that the market concept fits with the Council and Community Board's vision for New Brighton and also with the development of the Brighton village concept. However, a number of issues need to be addressed before a formal proposal can be considered by the Council and the purpose in bringing the matter to the Committee at this stage was to obtain elected member input before developing the concept further. The proposal was supported by the Community Board at its meeting on 22 November 1999.

The Committee **decided**:

- 1. To approve the concept of establishing a high quality arts and craft market on the New Brighton foreshore in the vicinity of the grassed area between the Library and Amphitheatre, preference being given to arts and crafts manufacturers in the New Brighton area.
- 2. That, once all issues have been resolved and a commercial operator has been found, staff report back with a firm licence proposal, after seeking the community's views.

(Note: Councillor Sheriff requested that her vote against the foregoing resolution be recorded.)