18. VOLUNTEER TRUANCY SUPPORT

Following a deputation to the May meeting by the Field Worker for the Christchurch North District Truancy Service, the Community Development Adviser reported on the operation of the support patrol in the Christchurch North district. A project budget for one year was provided, and the officer recommended that the application be assessed in relation to the guidelines to be developed in respect of requests for funding from schools. The Board **resolved** to approve a grant of \$4,000 from its 1998/99 Community Services Fund to the Volunteer Truancy Support programme for vehicle expenses, recognising the importance of this initiative in the community.