

## 1. HEALTH FUNDING AUTHORITY BRIEFING

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The Committee received a briefing from Ms Jill Nuthall, Community Relations Manager, Canterbury/West Coast/Nelson/Marlborough of the Health Funding Authority on the role of the authority.

Ms Nuthall explained the background to the formation of the HFA and provided information on its objectives and functions. Additional material relating to the HFA was distributed to members and the opportunity was taken for questions to be asked of Ms Nuthall. (A copy of the briefing paper from Ms Nuthall is attached.)

Members expressed concern on a number of issues relating to the provision of health services and health funding, and confirmed their interest in being involved in the consultation process relating to health issues.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the information be received.
  2. That the Council write to the Health Funding Authority outlining its concerns in relation to health sector funding as a basis for closer liaison on funding, policy development and the preparation of a Christchurch locality plan(s).