

2. DISABILITY ADVOCATE

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The purpose of this report is to request the employment by the Council of a Disability Advocate for Christchurch City.

The Chairperson had asked the Board to give consideration to the need for the Council to employ a person to act on behalf of people with disabilities. Such an appointee could identify the issues for this group and advocate on their behalf to ensure that in planning, programming, funding and all aspects, the concerns and needs of those with disabilities are provided.

Recommendation: That the Community Services Committee be requested to consider the employment of a Disability Advocate to ensure that the needs of persons with disabilities are identified and met within Christchurch City.