

6. REPORT ON CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING AND PURCHASING OF SERVICE FROM THE VOLUNTARY WELFARE SECTOR IN CHRISTCHURCH

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The Committee considered a report from the Senior Social Policy Analyst, Mary Richardson, as requested by the Community Services Committee, on the amount of government funding distributed each year to the voluntary welfare sector in Christchurch.

The report summarised the funding provided to the voluntary welfare sector in Christchurch and the problems associated with the current funding arrangements from the perspectives of the voluntary welfare sector, central government and Christchurch City Council.

It indicated that the Council had a key role in supporting the voluntary welfare sector and that further work was required to identify ways in which the Council could support the sustainability and development of this sector.

The Committee **received** the report and agreed to consider this at the 15 June seminar of the Committee, alongside views from voluntary sector representatives, and that in association with the above, an additional seminar be held on 2 July to consider strategic planning issues for the Committee.