

## **8. ITEMS RECEIVED**

The Committee **received** the following reports:

### **8.1 1999 KidsFest Report**

RR 10953

This report informed Councillors of the outcomes of the 1999 KidsFest, which took place from 26 June to 9 July 1999. KidsFest's popularity shows no signs of diminishing with this year's attendances reaching 50,000 - an increase of 14,500 on the 1998 figures. Whilst most gaps in the festival have been filled, some members of the Committee felt there was a need for more events for the 10-12 age group. Accordingly, the Events Co-ordinator for KidsFest was requested to explore the possibility of arranging additional events for this age group for next year's festival.

### **8.2 Out of School Programmes Policy**

RR 10966

This report provided information on the needs, benefits and provision of out of school programmes in Christchurch along with the background to the Council's involvement in this area. The policy was referred to the Community Services Committee for endorsement and to the Parks and Recreation Committee for information.