

8. EMPLOYEES IN THE COMMUNITY

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The Committee considered a report from Julie Macdonald, Community Development Adviser, following on from the Council seminar with Mr David Halley from “Business in the Community” in the United Kingdom, Mr Bill Buxton from the Volunteer Centre in Wellington, and representatives from the Canterbury Volunteer Centre.

The report recommended that a scoping exercise be undertaken initially as the most appropriate means of advancing this initiative (which has been the subject of previous reports to the Committee), which would allow for the United Kingdom experience and experience gained in the Wellington project to be incorporated into the proposed model in Christchurch.

The report detailed costs for a three-month scoping exercise which related mainly to wage costs for the employment of a person with significant experience and credibility in both the business and community sectors.

The Committee **resolved** that:

1. That the Canterbury Volunteer Centre be granted \$13,000 from Community Initiatives Discretionary Funding to undertake a three month scoping project on employees in the community.
2. That the Canterbury Volunteer Centre be asked to report back to the Community Services Committee once this research is complete to discuss ways of implementing a Christchurch project.