SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD RECONVENED MEETING OF 16 SEPTEMBER 1999

A reconvened meeting of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board was held on Thursday 16 September 1999 at 4.30 pm (the meeting having previously been adjourned at 7.05pm on Wednesday 15 September 1999)

PRESENT: Oscar Alpers (Chairman),

Lynda Carter, Philip Clearwater, Sonia Gill,

Elizabeth Maunsell and Sue Wells.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from

Carole Anderton, Barry Corbett and Ian Howell.

The Board reports that:

PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

1. DRAFT PLANNING STATEMENT

The Board **resolved** to provide the following Planning Statement to the Council, encouraging it to:

- Advocate minority representation at both Community Board and Council levels, to allow the viewpoint of non-represented sectors of the community to be sought.
- Heritage Protection advocate for more adequate funding for purchase, renovation and resale of heritage buildings.
- Continue support for community groups addressing social issues within the community, ie employment, leisure etc.
- Ensure adequate information exchange and greater promotion of activities to/within the community, as identified by the community (annual plan simplified).
- Keep entry fees for Council facilities affordable in response to local communities, eg pricing and accessibility.
- Further develop participatory processes in Council and Community Board decision-making.
- Target recreational activities by responding to specific cultural and community needs.
- Better recognise and resource volunteers in Christchurch.
- Continue to educate the public in regard to recycling and pollution.

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- Continue to support community education, eg community cottages providing parenting skills workshops.
- Continue to work with the community to address issues highlighted in research and subsequent community forums.
- Support pedestrian safety through the Road Safety Strategy to ensure implementation of pedestrian safety measures at the earliest possible opportunity. Provision should be made for people with impaired mobility.
- Adopt a cohesive system of funding to meet social objectives.
- Provide more support for safety from crime issues.
- Promote more interaction at a neighbourhood level.
- Provide support for neighbourhood support groups.
- Appoint an advocate representing the aged.
- Contribute to the co-ordination of government, non-government, and local government welfare services for consumers.
- Endorse existing initiatives of the Canterbury Development Corporation and seek a renewed commitment to finding better ways of addressing unemployment in the community.
- Continue spending on social initiatives.
- Promote a greater level of community involvement in addressing the issues of unemployment.

The above Planning Statement is based on information gained from a recent community forum. The purpose of the day was to work with the community to identify and address issues raised by local residents and community groups and begin to develop an action plan.

The following comments represent a participant's perspective on the day:

"It's made me feel quite optimistic about the future of our area. People are concerned about the elderly, their neighbours and the young people. There is a pro-active sense of governance in this area."

The meeting closed at 6.20pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER 1999

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