



## 6. **RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REPORT OF 15 JUNE 2000**

The Board was in receipt of the outcomes of the Community Affairs Committee meeting of 15 June 2000.

### 1. **“DOWN WITH SPEED” CAMPAIGN**

Keith Permain, Injury Prevention Consultant, ACC, gave a presentation on this campaign which is currently being run in conjunction with the Land Transport Safety Authority.

ACC is presenting key research information on speeding to a range of organisations within the Community and hopes that greater understanding of the subject will lead New Zealanders to doing more to reduce the harmful impact that speeding has on lives.

### 2. **COMMUNITY GARDENING UPDATE**

Considerable progress had been made in co-ordinating information on existing community gardening initiatives in Christchurch. Discussion had been held with key stakeholders, to develop the best method to expand community gardening to meet environmental (waste minimisation) and social goals publicly stated by the Christchurch City Council. A detailed project outline for expanding community gardening in Christchurch would be reported to Community Boards when it had been developed.

### 3. **SKATEJAM 2000**

The Committee received a report from Jane Mulholland (Community Recreation Adviser) on “SkateJam”, a skateboarding and in-line skating extravaganza staged around the city over March and April 2000.

SkateJam offered skateboarders and in-line skaters an opportunity to congregate at a well organised and safe event. It was an opportunity for young people interested in skating to share ideas and tricks with other skaters. SkateJam also proved to be an education to those who observed the skaters in action, as they displayed the high degree of skill associated with this popular sport.

This event created a positive partnership between the Recreation and Arts Team and mall management, which will be able to be built upon in the future for other initiatives.

### 4. **THE BIG SK8 OUT**

Jane Mulholland spoke on “The Big SK8 Out”, a series of skating workshops held during the April school holidays. The aim of these workshops was to provide introductory level skaters, ages 10–14 years, with the skills and expertise to confidently and safely skate Christchurch skate parks.

Following the earlier January workshops, a core group of skaters got together and formed a skate club. Council Officers will be working with this club to ensure the momentum continues over the winter months.

Once a stable skate club is established in Christchurch it is envisaged that such a club would take over the role of running skate workshops such as the ones presently being run by the Council. In the meantime it is important the Council works with key skaters to keep the momentum going, and encourage networking amongst skaters.

5. **U-TURN YOUTH PROGRAMME**

A letter explaining the Pathway Trust and the U-Turn Programme was tabled by John-o Watson, Senior Tutor on the programme.

U-Turn aims to start its programme on Monday 19 June 2000 and was applying for \$2,000 to cover the cost of running a camp in 10 weeks time.

6. **NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK  
SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER – FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2000**

It was decided that following the next joint Board/Neighbourhood Week Committee meeting, information would be sent out to residents groups and neighbourhood support groups, explaining Neighbourhood Week.

The Board **received** the report.