

2. DRAFT PLANNING STATEMENT 2000

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

- Advocate for minority representation at both Community Board and Council levels, recognising the viewpoint of non-represented sectors of the community being 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 Council facilities entry fees 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.
- 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 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.
- Support pedestrian safety projects.
- Identify pedestrian safety problem sites and opportunities for reducing pedestrian risk.
- Support initiatives and projects aimed at reducing graffiti.
- Encourage community ownership of local “Sustainable Christchurch” projects and develop partnerships enabling their effective implementation eg community gardens, waste minimisation schemes, healthy living programmes.
- Recognise the role of suburban business areas as providers of employment and community focal points, and support these areas where practicable.
- Support programmes/initiatives that enhance social well-being by reducing isolation in identified areas of Spreydon-Heathcote.
- Support programmes designed to enhance residents perception of safety in the community eg “Confident Living” programmes.
- Advocate for more police resources to deal with dangerous driving and associated anti-social behaviour.
- Advocate for funding to complete works designated in LATMS and Neighbourhood Improvement Plans.
- Provide ongoing support for after school, out of school and youth programmes in Spreydon-Heathcote.