

1. GARDEN CITY ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL MEMBERS

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The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Council to appoint four external members to the Garden City Advisory Subcommittee. Both the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee and Garden City Advisory Subcommittee have considered the appointments and are in agreement with the recommendation.

BACKGROUND

The terms of reference for the subcommittee include a focus on increasing the relationships with the community, particularly with those who can assist the Council in its design, work programme and promotion to enhance the Garden City.

The terms of reference of the subcommittee are to:

1. Establish and review the vision for the Garden City.
2. Provide a focus for feedback on the Garden City and what it stands for.
3. Provide a forum for change, away from that which detracts and towards that which adds value.
4. Provide a sounding board for members of the subcommittee to influence decision making.
5. Be a source of information, ideas, innovation and best practice.
6. Provide opportunities to publicise the Garden City to Christchurch.
7. Maintain relationships with key organisations who have an influence on the gardens of Christchurch.

Additional terms of reference for the elected members of the subcommittee are to:

8. Keep the vision for the Garden City.
9. Be an advocate for securing funding.
10. Prioritise the requests for action and change to communicate these to the Council organisation.

APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL MEMBERS TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE

External members can be appointed to the subcommittee by the Parks Gardens and Waterways Committee as the parent Standing Committee.

Once appointed, that person becomes a full member of the subcommittee and is entitled to attend all meetings and take part in all discussions and decisions as if they were an elected member. The external members are paid the attendance allowance and are entitled to expenses reimbursement on the same basis as the elected members except they are not paid the members' salary.

It is recommended that the members be appointed until May 2003, at which time the appointment would be reviewed.

The subcommittee will be advised by the staff of Council and City Care Ltd (the main contractor to the Parks and Waterways Unit).

MEMBERSHIP RECOMMENDATION

The recommended appointees are:

Alan Jolliffe

Master of Science in Parks and Recreation from Illinois, Lecturer in Tourism – Christchurch Polytechnic, ex Assistant Dean of Business Studies – Christchurch Polytechnic, President – Canterbury Horticultural Society, Member of the Aoraki Conservation Board, past curator Christchurch Botanic Gardens, past Director of Parks – Nelson, past Head of Parks – Hutt Valley, Chairman of the Board of the New Zealand Institute of Horticulture, and Tourism and Marketing lecturer at CIT.

Athol McCully

B.Ag.Sc. from Lincoln University. Worked as a plant pathologist for MAF for eleven years. Went into plant nursery business moving back to Christchurch in 1986 to start own businesses. Executive member and past president Nurserymen's Association (NGIA), radio and television host and past president of Rotary South Christchurch.

Di Lucas

Landscape planner and principal of Lucas Associates. Winner of the first "Gold" New Zealand Landscape Award. She has a degree in botany from Otago University, a post-graduate degree in landscape architecture from Lincoln University and a masters degree in landscape planning. She works all over New Zealand and is recognised for her work at Arrowtown, Peel Forest and Waitomo etc. She has a particular interest in native plants.

Patricia Proctor

Originally from Southland. On moving to Christchurch she quickly became known for the quality of her floral art. Appointed Manager of the Garden City Trust and organised the floral festival for a number of years. She now runs her own floral design business catering for special events and corporate clients. She is invited to lecture and present floral demonstrations around the world and has developed an international reputation.

Recommendation: That the Council approve the appointment of Alan Jolliffe, Athol McCully, Di Lucas and Patricia Proctor as members of the Garden City Advisory Subcommittee until 31 May 2003.