## 17. TEMPLETON COMMUNITY FACILITY: NETBALL COURTS, FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

Board members were advised that the Templeton community facility is nearing completion. It is proposed to have an official opening for this facility some time early in February. A project co-ordinating group has been meeting for some months to oversee progress and to assist in the formation of an ongoing management committee. Bob Shearing is the Board's representative on this committee.

When the building was designed discussions were held with City Solutions about the provision of two netball courts at the rear of the building. No financial provision was made to build the courts at the time of the letting of the tender. It was envisaged that the courts would be built at some future date.

Now that the building is almost complete there is money left in the contingency fund which would help cover the cost of building these two courts. An estimated cost of these courts is in the region of \$50,000–\$60,000. In discussion with the project manager, it has been agreed that some of the contingency fund could be available to build these courts if the Board would also contribute a sum of money. It would be preferable to complete this whole project prior to the opening. A contribution of \$15,000–\$20,000 from the Board would provide a completed facility ready for community use.

At the Board's Environment Committee meeting of 10 December 2002, under item 7 "Projects Referred for Possible Funding" the issue of the construction of these courts was raised. There was general agreement from elected members to support the part funding of construction of the courts through Environment Committee funds.

The Board **resolved** to allocate a total of \$20,000 to assist in the construction of the hard courts to be funded equally from the Board's 2002/03 Environment Committee Project Fund and Discretionary Fund.