

14. OSCAR ST ALBANS EMERGENCY FUNDING

The Board considered a report seeking emergency funding from the Community Board for the St Albans OSCAR programme.

The Secretary and Funding Co-ordinator advised that the Management Committee and supervisors had recently had changes of personnel. There is also a reduced number of children in the programme for safety reasons, which has decreased the programme's income.

Board members asked what changes to the structure of the organisation would take place to ensure this funding shortfall did not re-occur. The Community Development Adviser advised that he would assist the group in putting procedures and policies in place. Ingrid Stonhill also offered her help to the group.

Board members recommended that the group obtain quotes for their audit next time, to reduce the audit costs.

The Board **resolved**:

1. To approve a grant of \$7,500 from the 2003/04 Discretionary funds to St Albans OSCAR programme.
2. That ongoing assistance be offered to help facilitate good management practices and guidelines for the Management Committee and staff.