

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATION LOAN SCHEME

The Christchurch City Council is now inviting applications for financial assistance from the Community Development Scheme and Community Organisation Loan Scheme.

The Community Development Scheme provides funding to Community groups whose activities reflect the principles of community development. The loan scheme is designed to help organisations improve or develop new or existing facilities and other major capital projects.

Application forms are available from your local Council office, or phone 941 6840.

Closing Date: Friday 28 March 2003

For advice on your application please phone the Community Development Adviser at the following Council offices:

Beckenham Service Centre	941 5102
Civic Office	941 8933
Fendalton Service Centre	941 6730
Linwood Service Centre	941 6605
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ARTS FUNDING – CREATIVE COMMUNITIES NEW ZEALAND CHRISTCHURCH CITY

Applications are invited for the March 2003 funding round of the Creative Communities Christchurch City Scheme.

Creative New Zealand provides per capita funding to arts providers, which includes the Christchurch City Council, to deliver community arts funding to the people of Christchurch.

Applications will be accepted for grants for both specific, one-off projects and programmes from Community groups, organisations and individuals.

Application forms and guidelines are available from Marlene Le Cren or Paula Rigby, ph 941 8886 or 941 6413

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M K Robertson
COUNCIL SECRETARY

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROHIBITED FIRE SEASON

CHANEYS RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, BOTTLE LAKE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT, AND CHRISTCHURCH CITY RURAL AREA

To owners and occupiers of land in Christchurch rural area:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 22(2) of the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977 a Prohibited Fire Season will commence at 12.00 midnight on Friday 28 February 2003 in respect of Chaney's Rural Fire District, Bottle Lake Rural Fire District, and Christchurch City Rural Area, and will remain in place until further notice.

Pursuant to Regulation 41 of the Forest and Rural Fires Regulations 1979 the use of all barbecues which use or contain solid fuels is prohibited. As braziers or other similar devices use solid fuel and constitute a fire in the open air, their use is also prohibited. Gas fuelled barbecues and gas cookers which contain no charcoal or solid fuel are exempt from this notice.

IMPORTANT NOTE

The ban on the lighting of fires in the open area imposed by the Christchurch City Fires Bylaw 1991 has been extended pursuant to Clause 8 to remain in force for the period 1 March to 31 March 2003 (inclusive) notwithstanding the above-mentioned Prohibition. (This Bylaw Prohibition may be further extended by Public Notice given by Christchurch City Council.)

Note This Prohibited Fire Season has been put in place to lessen the risk of rural fire and damage to life and property during a period of very high fire danger.

K A Marshall
PRINCIPAL RURAL FIRE OFFICER

NOTICE OF FURTHER PROHIBITION ON FIRES IN THE OPEN AIR WITHIN THE WHOLE OF THE CITY OF CHRISTCHURCH

(IMPOSED PURSUANT TO CLAUSE 8 OF THE CHRISTCHURCH CITY FIRES BYLAW 1991)

Notice is hereby given that the prohibition over the whole of the City of Christchurch on fires in the open air, imposed by Clause 5 of the Christchurch City Fires Bylaw 1991 for the period 1 November 2002 to 28 February 2003 (inclusive), has been extended by the imposition by the Council of a further prohibition for the period 1 March 2003 to 31 March 2003 (inclusive), pursuant to Clause 8 of the Bylaw.

During any such prohibition no person shall light any fire in the open air and no person being the occupier of any premises shall cause, permit, or suffer any such fire to be lit there or to continue to burn there. The penalty for such an offence is a fine of up to \$500.00.

The prohibition applies to all of the district administered by the Christchurch City Council as territorial authority pursuant to the Local Government Act 1974 (ie all of the City of Christchurch).

The purpose of the prohibition is to conserve public safety by preventing danger from fire.

Please Note:

This prohibition does not apply to:

1. Any barbeque or hangi provided -
 - (a) it is not likely to constitute a danger to any person or property by reason of its location, risk of spread, inadequate containment, prevailing wind or otherwise; and
 - (b) there is immediately available a pressurised water supply connected to a hose; and
 - (c) it is adequately supervised.
2. Any fire in the open air in respect of which the occupier of the land upon which the fire is situated has obtained from the Council an exemption from the prohibition. Exemptions may only be granted for commercial activities. Applications for exemptions may be made at the Civic Offices, 163 Tuam Street, Christchurch or at any Council Service Centre.
(The issue of an exemption is not a legal defence against claims for damage arising by reason of the fire. The responsibility for its control and liability for any damage which may arise lies with the person lighting the fire.)
3. The continuation of the ban will be constantly reviewed and the ban may be lifted earlier or extended depending on the fire risk. Any such alteration will be publicly notified.

J Donaldson
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

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