

5. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND COMPOSITION OF WORKING PARTIES

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of the report is to re-establish Working Parties, appoint liaison representatives to Residents' Association and to nominate representatives to some city and community organisations/committees. The Board will need to review these activities and appoint one or more representatives where ongoing involvement is felt necessary.

Current representation is as follows:

(a) Outside Organisations

- Keep Christchurch Beautiful - One Member
- Christchurch Beautifying Association Street Competition Committee - One Member
- Christchurch Estuary Association - One Member
- Neighbourhood Support Canterbury - One Member
- Kingslea Residential Centre Community Liaison Committee - One Member
- Representation on Residents' Associations - One Member appointed as liaison for the Board:
 - Aranui Community Trust
 - Ascot/Freeville Residents' Group
 - Bexley Residents' Association
 - Dallington Residents' Association
 - Golf Links Residents' Association Inc
 - Horseshoe Lake Residents' Association
 - New Brighton Residents' Association
 - North New Brighton Residents' Association
 - Northshore Residents' Association
 - Parklands Residents' Association
 - South New Brighton Residents' Association
 - Southshore Ratepayers' Association
 - Waitikiri Residents' Group
 - Windsor/Westhaven Residents' Group
- Ascot Community Centre Management Committee - One Member
- Wainoni/Aranui Family Centre Committee - One Member

(b) Working Parties/Committees

- North New Brighton Community Centre Working Party - To consider refurbishment and management options - Four Members
- Artworks in Burwood/Pegasus Working Party - To promote art in Burwood/Pegasus and to feed into the citywide strategy for artworks in public places - Four Members
- Youth Development Fund Assessment Working Party - To consider quarterly applications to the Youth Development Fund - Three Members
- Funding Assessment Committee - Three Members

PRESENT COUNCIL POLICY

The present Council policy governing these appointments is as follows:

"That the Council appoint formal representatives on outside organisations only where the proposed appointment will be of clear public benefit or benefit to the Council, or where the appointment is required for statutory reasons, or under the provisions of the relevant Trust Deed or Constitution etc of the organisation concerned."

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Where Board members are appointed to outside organisations, their attendance at meetings will be covered by their elected members' salary, and meeting fees will not apply. Thus, there are no substantial financial implications, apart from the payment of mileage incurred in attending such meetings.

PROPOSED COMMITTEE STRUCTURE REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

The previous Council established the above subcommittee to make recommendations to the incoming Council on a range of governance issues, including the appointments to outside organisations.

The Subcommittee, in reviewing this issue, noted that with the reduction in the total number of Councillors, there would not be the same number of Councillors available for appointments to outside organisations as there had been in the past.

After discussion, the Subcommittee agreed that the following criteria should apply to requests for Councillors to be appointed to outside organisations:

- What is the extent of Council funding of the organisation (ongoing, significant)?
- Is there statutory provision that the appointment is compulsory?
- If appointment is requested by way of a constitution or trust deed, which is not compulsory, then the appointment needs to meet one or more of the other criteria.
- The impact or relationship with Council activities or the Council's strategic interests.
- If the appointment is to be during the establishment phase or during a crisis management phase of an organisation, therefore a fixed time only.
- That the appointment adds value as a Councillor, as distinct from any other appointee.
- That appointees, instead of Councillors, could be a Community Board member, staff (if approved by the Chief Executive) or a member of the public. In that situation, the following additional criteria could be relevant:
 - local interest in the matter
 - particular interest of a Community Board member
 - particular skills or expertise.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended:

- (a) To appoint liaison persons to the above Residents' Associations and appoint representatives to the above outside organisations.
- (b) To re-establish a North New Brighton Community Centre Working Party, Artworks in Burwood/Pegasus Working Party, Youth Development Fund Assessment Working Party and a Funding Assessment Committee.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the abovementioned recommendations be adopted.