

11. COMMUNITY EVENTS AND SPECIAL DAYS FUND 2004/2005

Officer responsible Community and Recreation Manager	Author Diana Saxton, Community Recreation Adviser, DDI 941 6628 Marie Byrne, Community Advocacy Assistant, DDI 941 6660
--	--

The purpose of this report is to enable the Board to consider approving a schedule of proposed events and funding allocations from the community events and special days fund in Hagley and Ferrymead for 2004/05.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on 10 February 2004, the Board allocated \$15,000 from its 2004/05 project fund to a community events and special days fund. This fund, first established at the 23 August 2001 Board meeting, enables community groups to initiate, plan and deliver local community events that contribute to community well being, by bringing together members of a local community and encouraging them to feel good about the community in which they live. These events are also a good mechanism for promoting the existence of local services and activities to residents and providing employment and exposure to local residents, artists, performers etc.

Community events assist in achieving the following Board objectives:

- | | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <i>Outcome:</i> | - <i>An active community</i> |
| <i>Output:</i> | - <i>Encourage participation, taking into account people with disabilities, by promoting and supporting community and recreation activities</i> |
| <i>Performance Measures:</i> | - <i>Support at least 5 Community Days attempting to target areas identified as needs in poverty and hardship review.</i> |

Community events also contribute to the outcomes of the Council's Festival and Events Policy, namely:

1. increase the well being of residents;
2. meet the needs of residents and visitors for enjoyment, sport, recreation, art and culture;
3. promote healthy lifestyles of residents through participation in events;
4. provide a great place to live where residents are provided with both free and paid entertainment of a standard that meets or exceeds their expectations;
5. provide employment opportunities for technical, artistic and sport related residents.

The Community Recreation Adviser provides advisory assistance and input to ensure these events are safe and well promoted. The fund also enables other members of the Hagley/Ferrymead Engagement Team to identify events to meet Board and Council objectives.

PROCESS

Suggested allocation process

It is suggested that allocation of the fund be approved in the following two stages:

1. The allocations identified in the proposed schedule of events set out below, totalling \$14,150, be approved subject to the groups meeting the application information requirements and satisfying the Community Recreation Adviser that the level of funding requested is appropriate.
2. The Community Recreation Adviser reporting to the Community, Policy and Finance Committee for approval of allocation of any unallocated or unspent funds, including allocation of any funds outlined in the proposed schedule that have not been uplifted.

In identifying the proposed schedules of events, the well established events that have historically provided an ongoing benefit for sustaining community vitality and celebrating diversity in Hagley and Ferrymead have been taken into consideration. The proposed schedule of events has been identified through consultation with community groups that have staged events on a regular basis in the past.

Reporting and Accountability

It is proposed that the Community Recreation Adviser would report to the Board at six monthly intervals on the events and special days that have been held. Each group that received community events and special days funding would be expected to complete an accountability form, and a summary of the information provided by the groups would be included in the Community Recreation Adviser's six monthly report to the Board, for the Board's information.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS JULY 2004-JUNE 2005

SCHEDULE	2003/2004	2004/2005
Woolston Development Project - family recreation days and children's day event	750	750
Linwood Resource Centre – open days/community events	250	500
Avebury House - open day events - Heritage Week, community concert	750	500
Phillipstown Community Centre - Alive in Phillipstown	1,000	1,000
Friends of Edmonds Factory Garden - musical afternoons	250	200
Bromley Community Residents Association – Bromley Carnival	1,000	1,000
Linwood Community Arts Centre – multicultural festival	1,200	1,200
CCC Community Recreation – movie in the park	3,000	3,000
CCC Community Recreation – older adults' event	2,000	2,000
CCC Greenspace – gigantic beach clean up, world wetland and world environment day and arbor day plantings	2,500	2,000
5 Christmas Events @\$200 each		1,000
10 Neighbourhood Week Events @\$100 each		1,000
		14,150
Total allocated		\$14,150
Unspent funds to be reported to the Board for allocation		\$850

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Board approve the funding allocations outlined in the proposed schedules of events for July 2004 - June 2005 and that the Community Recreation Adviser provide a six and 12 monthly accountability report to the Board for its information.
 2. That the Community Recreation Adviser report to the Community, Policy and Finance Committee for approval of allocation of any unallocated or unspent funds (including allocation of any funds outlined above in the proposed schedule that have not been uplifted).

Chairperson's

Recommendation: Not seen by the chairperson.