

4. INTERACTIVE ARTWORK PROJECT

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The purpose of this report is to submit for the Committee's consideration the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's proposal for the siting of the Council's interactive artwork.

BACKGROUND

At the Council meeting on 22 May 2003, consideration was given to a recommendation from the Strategy and Finance Committee regarding the future use of the 'Special Funds' previously available for the annual Waimairi Study Awards.

After considering a number of options for alternative use the Council resolved *"that the matter be referred back to the Community and Leisure Committee, and the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board, for further consideration, in conjunction with a suggestion that the Council utilise all or some of the fund balance to fund an interactive artwork, to be sited in an appropriate location within the boundaries of the former Waimairi District Council."*

The current fund balance is approximately \$67,750.

Referral of the matter to this Committee reflects the Board's understanding that artwork projects are overseen by the Arts Culture and Heritage Committee rather than the Community and Leisure Committee.

SITE SELECTION

Over recent months, the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has undertaken an evaluation of various site options with helpful input from representatives of the Burwood/Pegasus, Riccarton/Wigram and the Shirley/Papanui Community Boards.

Arising from these considerations, the preferred location for the placement of an interactive artwork is the Council's combined Fendalton Service Centre and Jeffreys Park site in Jeffreys Road.

This choice reflects the historic links with the former Council which occupied the site for many years and the extensive and growing public use now being made of these joint facilities.

The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board, at its meeting on 30 March 2004 therefore decided:

"1. That it be recommended to the Arts Culture and Heritage Committee:

- (a) That the CCC Fendalton Library and Service Centre/Jeffreys Park site be confirmed as the location for the interactive artwork.*
- (b) That a sum of \$60,000 be utilised for the artwork itself with the remaining available budget to be utilised for project management and associated costs.*
- (c) That a project manager be engaged to manage the interactive artwork project."*

The Board also resolved that Yiyi Ku, who has chaired the Board's Public Art Working Party over recent months, be offered to assist the Committee in its ongoing consideration/implementation related to any artwork proposed for the site.

Staff

Recommendation: That the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's proposals in 1 above be adopted.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the above recommend be approved.