

8. PAPANUI COMMUNITY WATCH - APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide information in relation to an application for funding from the Papanui Community Watch for \$2,000 from the Board's 2005/06 discretionary fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Papanui Community Watch is seeking financial support towards their operating costs. Their purpose is to maintain regular patrols in the Shirley/Papanui and Fendalton/Waimairi areas.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. There are no legal considerations in relation to this application.
4. The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has provided financial support to this organisation for a number of years with the most recent being \$1,500 in 2004.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

Approve the application for operational funding from the Papanui Community Watch and allocate \$2,000 from the Board's 2005/06 discretionary budget.

BACKGROUND

5. The Papanui Community Watch is a voluntary Incorporated Society who's purpose is to maintain regular patrols in the Shirley/Papanui and Fendalton/Waimairi wards.
6. The aim of the watch is to endeavour to reduce the incidences of crime and anti social behaviour in these areas.
7. The Papanui Community Watch has a strategic partnership with the New Zealand Police and has been actively involved with the Police for the past ten years.
8. They now provide directive patrolling in targeted areas as requested by Police Intel. They have recently undertaken a membership drive and have gained a further 20 members from the community and their resources have been increased to include 6 motor vehicles.

OPTIONS

9. In relation to this application the Community Board could choose to:
 - a) grant the amount of \$2,000 to the Papanui Community Watch
 - b) grant a portion of the amount requested
 - c) decline the application