

9. MERIVALE PRECINCT SOCIETY - APPLICATION FOR SPONSORSHIP AND FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Board to consider an application for sponsorship and funding of \$1,080.00 for the Merivale Precinct Society's House Awards.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Merivale Precinct Society have made an application for sponsorship and funding to the Board for \$1,080.00 for the Society's House Awards which are held in August each year.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. The Society requires funding of \$1,080.00 for the three main Awards. The Awards are framed paintings depicting the winners' own homes.
4. The Society has applied for funding that can be sourced from the Board's 2005/06 allocation of \$5,436 for Heritage Awards.

BACKGROUND ON FUNDING APPLICATION BY MERIVALE PRECINCT SOCIETY

5. The Merivale Precinct Society's Annual House Awards are held annually in August.
6. The Awards are held to encourage and raise awareness of well-planned property development, the preservation of heritage and established trees, and to generate good rapport with the commercial businesses throughout the Merivale area.
7. The major sponsorship role has been a shared one between the Merivale Mall and the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board of \$500.00 each. However this year the Mall is only able to supply the venue, chairs, and sound system due to new budget restrictions.
8. There are three categories in the House Awards: on Old-renovated Award, New Home Award and a Commercial Property Award. There is also an Added Touch Award to recognise a special feature, or focal point in the community such as a well designed landscape, fence or an artwork.
9. The three main Awards are paintings, commissioned by a local artist, depicting the winners' properties. The total cost for the three paintings including framing is \$1,080.00.
10. There are a number of other sponsors from the business sector who contribute to the Added Touch Award, and fund spot prizes, food and refreshments for the evening Awards Function.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

Accept the major sponsorship role of the Merivale Precinct Society Annual House Awards and allocate \$1,080.00 from its 2005/06 Heritage Awards budget.

CHAIRMAN'S RECOMMENDATION

That the above recommendation be adopted.