

11. NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS' 2007 BEST PRACTICE AWARDS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's consideration of nominations for the 2007 Community Board Conference Best Practice Awards.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. A key feature of the Conference next year will be the presentation of the Best Practice Awards at a gala dinner on Thursday, 7 June 2007. The Awards are presented to Boards which have made significant contributions to the process of achieving excellence in local government.
3. The Board should consider entering a programme or project it has been involved in that it believes displays a high degree of excellence, under one of the following categories:
 - Consultation
 - Significant project
 - Facilitation
 - Partnership
 - Heritage
 - Working with Maori
 - Working with Children
 - Harmonious Relations (previously this was called Race Relations)
 - Safety.
4. The Conference will have a "safety" theme and in line with this, a new "safety" category has been introduced.
5. It should be noted that the Working with Children and Harmonious Relations categories are being sponsored by UNICEF and the Human Rights Commission respectively. These organisations will provide separate criteria for these two categories only.
6. The attached leaflet outlines the format entries should take. All entries will be reviewed by the Conference Organising Committee's Judging Panel and must be submitted by 5 April 2007.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. There are no financial or legal considerations.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.