8. LYTTELTON CEMETERY - INFLUENZA MEMORIAL PLAQUE - REQUEST FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1. The purpose of this report is to request Community Board approval for:
 - (a) The location of a memorial plaque for influenza victims within Lyttelton Cemetery
 - (b) The final wording and material of the plaque
 - (c) Funding for the plaque and associated installation costs

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. In May 2006 a deputation was made to the Board (copy **attached**) from a local long time resident requesting a plaque be installed in a new seating area in memory of all the people who died in the 1919 influenza epidemic.
- 3. Staff have visited the site and have determined that the most suitable location for the plaque would be just off to the side of the seats on the concrete base. The plaque would sit on a recumbent concrete plinth.
- 4. There are two options in regards to the type of plaque, first, we could install it, second, a bronze plaque or a granite plaque could be provided. The costs for the plaques are:
 - Granite \$475
 - Bronze \$595

The installation cost would be \$150. The recommended size of the plaque is 400 x 200.

- 5. A granite plaque can be made up and installed within two weeks and a bronze plaque would take four weeks.
- 6. **Attached** is a layout, including the proposed wording for approval.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7. Funding for this project is being requested from the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board's 2006/07 discretionary fund.
- 8. All work would be carried out by a Council approved contractor.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Community Board:

- (a) Approve the site for the memorial plaque.
- (b) Approve the final wording and the type of material to be used for the plaque, being either bronze or granite.
- (c) Allocate either \$625 for a granite plaque (including installation) or \$745 for a bronze plaque (including installation) from the Board's 2006/07 discretionary fund.