

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK FUND APPLICATIONS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present the applications for Neighbourhood Week funding to the Spreydon Heathcote Community Board. A schedule of the Neighbourhood Week applications is **attached**.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Local community groups, including residents' associations and neighbourhood support groups, have been sent information inviting them to apply for the Neighbourhood Week Funding that has been set aside by the Board.
3. Funding is given to assist with the running of Neighbourhood Week events. Requests to fund alcohol and fireworks are not supported.
4. Neighbourhood Week 2006 is to be held from 28 October 2006 to 5 November 2006. Applications for funding closed on 29 September 2006.
5. As the applications closed on 29 September 2006, the list of applicants is unable to be circulated to members with the agenda. A list of the applicants and the respective amounts they are applying for will be tabled at the meeting for the Board's consideration for allocation.
6. Should there be any money unallocated, the Board may wish to delegate authority to the Board Chair and Deputy Chair to allocate that money outside of a regular Board meeting. A report detailing those applicants and amounts allocated will be presented to the Board at a later meeting.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. The Community Board allocated \$5,000 to go towards the funding of Neighbourhood Week events. In the past, applicants have generally been allocated around \$100-\$200 per event.
8. At the time of submitting this report, applications totalled \$7,925. The Board could consider funding applications that exceed the amount allocated through the Board's available Discretionary Fund.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board:

- (a) Consider the tabled applications and allocate funding accordingly.
- (b) Assign delegated authority to the Chair and Deputy to consider additional applications and allocate funding accordingly.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENT

As will be noted, the applications received (\$7,925) exceed the funding available (\$5,000) so particular attention will need to be given in terms of how this shortfall can be accommodated if the Board's support is to be given to the requests.