

Christchurch City Council

SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD AGENDA

TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER 2006

AT 5.00PM

IN THE BOARDROOM, SOUTH LIBRARY, SERVICE CENTRE AND LEARNING CENTRE, 66 COLOMBO STREET, CHRISTCHURCH

Community Board: Phil Clearwater (Chairperson), Oscar Alpers, Barry Corbett, Paul de Spa, Chris Mene, Sue Wells and Megan Woods.

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1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING REPORT – 19 SEPTEMBER 2006

The report of the meeting of 19 September 2006 has been separately circulated.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Board's ordinary meeting of 19 September 2006, be confirmed.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

3.1 **Mr Gavin Cameron**, 9/55 Parade Court, Addington, will address the Board regarding parking issues on local streets, graffiti and boy racers. A copy of Mr Cameron's submission has been **separately circulated**.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

5. PETITIONS

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

To consider the following motion from Chris Mene pursuant to Standing Order 2.16.1:

"That the Council investigates what opportunities exist in relation to the vests and jackets that the school patrollers wear that promotes messages and branding that are more consistent with the Council's Community Outcomes".

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

7. BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Board members to provide updates on community/Council issues.

8. YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUND – APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

| General Manager responsible: | General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8534 |
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| Officer responsible: | Recreation and Sport Unit Manager |
| Author: | Loren Sampson, Community Recreation Adviser |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Community Board approval for two applications for funding from the 2006/07 Youth Achievement Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicants are:
 - (a) Alana Ainsworth is a 15 year old Cashmere High School student who lives in the Spreydon area. Alana is seeking funds to represent New Zealand in the Under 17 Girls Soccer World Cup Development Squad to participate in the 'International Experience' being held in Australia in September/October 2006.

- (b) Ana Moceyawa is a 16 year old girl who lives in the Sydenham area. Ana is seeking funds towards costs associated with representing New Zealand in the Junior World Judo Championships in Santa Domingo and the US Open Tournament in Florida in October 2006.
- 3. This is the first time the applicants have approached the Board for funding support.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 4. As at 5 September 2006 a total of \$2,400 had been allocated from the Youth Achievement Fund from a total funding pool of \$7,500.
- 5. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following table details trip expenses and funding requested for the applicant

| EXPENSES FOR ALANA AINSWORTH | Cost (\$) |
|---|-----------|
| Airfare (return) – contribution towards | \$ 800 |
| Accommodation and meals | \$ 900 |
| Transport | \$ 100 |
| Facility and Equipment Hire | \$ 200 |
| Total Cost | \$2,000 |
| Amount raised/contributed by applicant | \$ 450 |
| Amount Requested from Community Board | \$ 400 |

| EXPENSES FOR ANA MOCEYAWA | Cost (\$) |
|---|------------|
| Airfare (return) | \$3,400.00 |
| Accommodation & food for Judo World Champs | \$1,088.00 |
| Tournament entry fees – Judo World Champs | \$ 85.00 |
| Taxes, Insurance, Tourist card etc | \$ 50.00 |
| Miami stopover | \$ 136.00 |
| Team Contingency Fund – Judo World Champs | \$ 170.00 |
| Transport – Judo World Champs | \$ 170.00 |
| Total – Judo World Champs | \$5,099.00 |
| Accommodation & food for US Open | \$1,147.00 |
| Tournament Fees – US Open | \$ 136.00 |
| Transport Fees – US Open | \$ 170.00 |
| Training Camp Fee | \$ 144.50 |
| PAJU Membership – US Open | \$ 51.00 |
| Total – US Open | \$1,648.50 |
| Additional costs i.e. domestic travel, accommodation in Auckland, team t- shirt, team bad, team track suit, entry fee for extra category | \$ 365.00 |
| Total Cost | \$7,112.50 |
| Amount raised/contributed by applicant | \$3,000.00 |
| Amount Requested from Community Board | \$1,000.00 |

BACKGROUND ON ALANA AINSWORTH

6. Alana Ainsworth is a 15 year old student at Cashmere High School and has been selected to represent New Zealand in the Under 17 Girls Soccer World Cup Development Squad to participate in the 'International Experience' being held in Australia in September/October 2006.

- 7. Alana plays soccer for the Cashmere High School First XI team and has been a member of this team for three years. Alana has been a member of the school first eleven team at three South Island Secondary Schools Tournaments and has been selected most valuable player at each of these tournaments.
- 8. Alana has recently been selected for the Mainland (Canterbury, Westland, Nelson) Women's Team. This is a fantastic achievement given that she is only 15. Alana has also been nominated female youth player of the year and women's midfielder of the year.
- 9. Alana's drive to succeed is exceptional. Alana has looked to develop her soccer skills and fitness outside of scheduled practice times, examples of this include:
 - (a) Asking for a spare soccer net to practice shooting in her own time.
 - (b) Development of speed through sprint training.
 - (c) Extra fitness trainings.
- 10. Alana's school coach and PE teacher comments that "it has been impressive to see that despite her high personal achievements and skill level, she has continued to be a team player, always including all members of the team in play". He also comments that in his opinion Alana has the ability and the personal attributes to take her football to a very high level.
- 11. To date Alana has raised \$450 towards the \$2,000 total cost of this trip. This money has been raised through ventures such as cookie selling and from a contribution from the school Board of Trustees.

BACKGROUND ON ANA MOCEYAWA

- 12. Ana Moceyawa is a 16 year old student at Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti who has been selected to represent New Zealand at the 2006 World Junior Judo Championships in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.
- 13. Judo has been Ana's passion for the last four years and in this time Ana has enjoyed a rapid progression in this sport, currently ranked 1st in New Zealand in the junior and senior women's under 52kg section. Ana recently competed in the Oceania Championships in Tahiti and won gold. Ana's ultimate goal is to 'be the best in the world'.
- 14. Prior to the World Championships Ana will spend four weeks in Japan carrying out an intensive training regime. The World Junior Judo Championships are being held in Santa Domingo in October. The US Open Judo Tournament is being held in Florida the week following the World Junior Judo Championships.
- 15. To get to San Domingo the team will have to travel through Miami and the NZ Coaching Commission have made the executive decision that by competing in the US Open in Miami on return from the World Junior Judo Championships and using it as a training competition and then staying for the training camp afterwards, this will offer a long term judo benefit/return for relatively little extra cost.
- 16. Ana has recently been invited to train as part of the Youth Development Squad for the 2012 Olympics. Inclusion in this squad requires Ana to travel to Auckland on alternative weekends for training sessions. Ana is currently completing her secondary school studies and manages to hold down a part-time job in addition to her judo training commitments
- 17. To date Ana has raised \$3,000 towards the total trip cost of \$7,112. This money has been raised through Ana's part-time job, donations from family members and from other fundraising ventures. It is anticipated that further money will be raised through fundraising ventures prior to departing for this trip.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board allocate the following amounts from the 2006/07 Youth Achievement Fund:

- (a) \$400 to Alana Ainsworth to represent New Zealand in the Under 17 Girls Soccer World Cup Development Squad at the 'International Experience' being held in Australia in September/October 2006.
- (b) \$500 to Ana Moceyawa to represent New Zealand at the World Junior Judo Championships in America in October 2006.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendations be supported.

9. HAWDON STREET – PROPOSED 60 MINUTE PARKING RESTRICTION

| General Manager responsible: | General Manager City Environment, DDI: 941-8656 |
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| Officer responsible: | Transport and Greenspace Manager |
| Author: | Paul Burden/Patricia Su, Traffic Engineer |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Community Board to install a short length of 60 minute parking restriction on the east side of Hawdon Street, between Byron Street and Kingsley Street (refer to **attachment**).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The proprietor of "The Grasshopper Café" situated at 78 Hawdon Street has expressed concern that customers are not able to use the kerbside parking directly in front of the business.
- 3. The surrounding land use in the area is predominantly industrial creating a demand for onstreet parking. The kerbside spaces are currently unrestricted and are occupied all day by employees from the surrounding businesses as well as those from as far away as the "South City" shopping centre. The café is very popular and services a wide catchment. As such there is considerable demand for short term parking. Currently vehicles are often observed "double parking" while the driver purchases food which compromises road safety.
- 4. It is likely that the economic viability of the café is being adversely affected by the lack of available customer parking. The installation of a 60 minute parking restriction covering two spaces outside the café and the neighbouring business (King Tony Professional Tools) on Hawdon Street would go some way to addressing the concerns being raised.
- 5. The café and the neighbouring business are considered the only ones directly affected by the proposal and their support has been forthcoming.
- 6. Typically this situation would be addressed with a 10 minute parking restriction, however in this case a 60 minute parking restriction was agreed upon by the proprietors of the two neighbouring businesses to service both their needs.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7. Installation of signs, markings and posts is within existing budgets.
- 8. The Land Transport Rules provide for the installation of parking restrictions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board approve that the parking of vehicles be limited to a 60 minute maximum on the east side of Hawdon Street from a point 42 metres south of the Byron Street intersection and extending 19 metres in a southerly direction.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.

10. COLOMBO STREET "NIGHT TIME" PARKING RESTRICTION

| General Manager responsible: | General Manager City Environment, DDI: 941-8656 |
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| Officer responsible: | Transport and Greenspace Unit Manager |
| Author: | Barry Cook, Network Operations Team Leader |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the issues surrounding a request for a ban on the parking of vehicles during "night" hours in Colombo Street between Moorhouse Avenue and Brougham Street.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Members will be aware of the concerns that have been expressed by Mr Doc Ross, a resident and business owner in Colombo Street, Sydenham. These concerns can be summarised as follows:
 - (a) The threat to personal safety generated by large groups of youths congregating in Colombo street and acting in a disorderly manner including abusive and aggressive behaviour.
 - (b) Damage to both private and public property including broken shop windows.
 - (c) Urinating and vomiting in shop doorways.
 - (d) Excessive noise generated by the vehicles belonging to these youths.
 - (e) General rowdy behaviour causing disturbance.
- 3. It is understood from discussions with Mr Ross that the frequency of this type of behaviour is seasonal with little or no problems in the winter but increasing to a peak in the warmer months. While there is certainly an issue with excessive noise affecting the quality of life for those people that live in the street, there is perhaps a greater level of concern regarding the other issues raised and the adverse effects this behaviour is having on most businesses in the area.
- 4. The recent establishment of two *"party pill"* outlets in this section of Colombo Street appears to have directly contributed to the intensity of the odious activities. However it is acknowledged that there is a history of youths congregating in cars in this area that precedes the arrival of these types of shops.
- 5. Mr Ross has sought the assistance of the Council and New Zealand Police to find a solution that will address these issues. Due to the nature of the concerns it is acknowledged that New Zealand Police have a significant role to play in the success of any option that may be forthcoming. It is therefore considered paramount that the support of the Police is obtained.
- 6. While formal discussions with other business have not been undertaken as part of this report, it is understood that other businesses share the concerns raised by Mr Ross.
- 7. It is abundantly clear that while the issues raised need to be addressed, the difficulty is in finding a mechanism with which to achieve this. The initial request was for the introduction of a "no stopping" restriction over the affected length of Colombo Street similar to that which was installed in 2002 covering the section of Colombo Street adjacent to Sydenham Park, opposite

McDonalds (operative 10pm to 5am). This was installed after a request from the Police and before the new laws were introduced in 2004 which give the Police additional powers to deal with noisy vehicles. A further restriction was also implemented in 1998 within the section of Colombo Street between Brougham Street and Elgin Street (operative 8pm to 7am).

- 8. Enforcement would play an important role in the success of any parking restriction. Discussions with New Zealand Police reveal empathy for the concerns being expressed, but they have doubts concerning how practicable it would be for further parking restrictions. The Police believe the restriction would require considerable resources to enforce, would likely create a migration of the problems into neighbouring streets, and point to other sections of Colombo Street eg. Central City, where similar issues are prevalent. There is a concern by the Police that this option will generate a proliferation of no stopping restrictions along the length of Colombo Street which generates the wrong image for the city. The Police accept that the existing restriction opposite McDonalds works reasonably well and is unlikely to be contributing to the migration of the problem. Also the types of activities that were occurring outside and within Sydenham Park were more surreptitious in nature and therefore not entirely similar to those currently experienced further north.
- 9. Although many of the retail activities along the section of Colombo Street between Moorhouse Avenue and Brougham Street are closed during the night time hours, there are a number of businesses that still rely on the availability of parking. It is also understood that the number of residents living in this section of Colombo Street is approximately 15 and therefore the adverse effects of excessive noise, in particular, are quite limited. The migration of the problem into surrounding areas if a parking restriction were to be installed would be likely to affect a significantly greater number of residents.
- 10. There are a number of requests for night time bans on parking to deal with inappropriate behaviour, but given the aforementioned factors, the Transport and Greenspace Unit is of the view that these problems can now be dealt with by enforcement using the new powers that recent legislation now provides.
- 11. Excessive vehicle noise has been an issue that the Ministry of Transport has been seeking to address in recent years. Section 7.4 of the Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004 provides for on-road enforcement of vehicle noise. Under this rule a police officer could issue an instant \$150 infringement notice if a person operates a vehicle that creates noise which, having regard to all the circumstances is excessive. This includes noise from car stereos, exhausts etc. The recently passed Land Transport Amendment Act 2005 increased this infringement fee to \$250 and imposes 10 demerit points. This amendment has been operative since January 2006 and the accumulation of the demerit points will soon be taking effect.
- 12. In addition to the road side enforcement, all vehicles currently undergo a subjective noise test during warrant and certificate of fitness checks. Clause 2.7(3) of the Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Equipment 2004 (previously, regulation 81 of the Traffic Regulations 1976) states that noise from an exhaust system must not be noticeably and significantly louder than it would have been when the motor vehicle was manufactured with its original exhaust system. Under section 115(1) of the Land Transport Act 1998, a police officer can also 'green sticker' a vehicle that is considered to breach the noise requirements of the Vehicle Equipment Rule 2004, directing that the vehicle is not to be driven on a road until it has passed a warrant of fitness test at an independent testing station. In extreme cases the Police can 'orange sticker' a vehicle, which means it can not be driven on the road and a tow truck is called.
- 13. The Ministry of Transport will soon be implementing an 'objective' noise test to supplement the subjective test currently used. The objective noise test will use scientific methods to measure noise levels of vehicle exhausts against a pre-determined standard. Failure to meet the requirements of the objective test will require the vehicle to be repaired to ensure it is compliant. The implementation of the objective noise test will occur once the standards and methods are finalised. This is expected to occur in the near future.
- 14. It follows that the Police and vehicle testing agencies will have greater ability to combat excessive vehicle noise.

- 15. The problems typically stem from the congregation of groups of youths and preventing these groups from congregating is unlikely to be attainable in the foreseeable future: The issues relating to the behaviour of the youths are also unlikely to be resolved through erecting signage of any type. The installation of night time parking bans will not solve but will shift the problem elsewhere. The Summary Offences Act however does allow the Police to enforce a number of laws relating to general public behaviour.
- 16. The proliferation of these parking bans is therefore considered not appropriate and police resources can be better utilised by enforcement of the new legislation, for example, street racing and noisy vehicles to eliminate some of the activities that are in part contributing to the concerns.
- 17. In conclusion, it is considered that the adverse effects generated by the behaviour of these youths can only be mitigated but not eradicated across the city by the Police. This is a view also shared by New Zealand Police. Enforcement using current legislation is the only practicable option in the short term.
- 18. Mr Doc Ross has been fully informed of these issues and has acknowledged that the new powers have already reduced the problem.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 19. There are no financial considerations.
- 20. The legal considerations are the Land Transport Act and Summary Offences Act.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.

11. YOUNG PACIFIC LEADERS CONFERENCE 2006 - BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE

| General Manager responsible: | General Manager Regulation and Democracy Services, DDI 941-8549 |
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| Officer responsible: | Community Board Principal Adviser |
| Author: | Peter Dow, Community Secretary |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Board approval for the attendance of Chris Mene to the Youth Pacific Leaders Conference in Wellington on 24 and 25 October 2006.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The purpose of the conference is to bring together young Pacific people from a wide range of different communities to discuss common issues.
- 3. The supporting information states that "such contacts and exchanges of ideas between young people who are beginning to assume leadership roles will facilitate the search for solutions and co-operation towards effective future action".

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. There are no legal considerations.

5. The cost of attending the Conference is \$1,046 and comprises registration \$690, airfares \$235 and accommodation \$141. This would be met from the Board's 2006/07 operational budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board gives consideration to approving the attendance of Chris Mene at the Young Pacific Leaders Conference 2006 in Wellington on 24 and 25 October 2006.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.

12. COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER'S UPDATE

- 12.1 The Community Board Principal Adviser will update the Board on current issues.
- 12.2 CSR Requests, September 2006.

13. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

14. EVENTS STRATEGY – POSSIBLE BOARD SUBMISSION

Copies of the Draft Events Strategy have been **separately circulated** to members. The Board may wish to consider making a submission on the document.

15. HAGLEY PARK AND BOTANIC GARDENS – MASTER PLAN – POSSIBLE BOARD SUBMISSION

Copies of the Draft Hagley Park and Botanic Gardens Master Plan have been **separately circulated** to members. The Board may wish to consider making a submission on the document.