

Christchurch City Council

SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD AGENDA

WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2007

AT 4.00 PM

IN THE BOARDROOM, PAPANUI SERVICE CENTRE, CNR LANGDONS ROAD AND RESTELL STREET

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1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING REPORT - 12 DECEMBER 2006

The report of the Recess Committee meeting of 12 December 2006 has been circulated to the Board under separate cover (see attached).

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report to Council of 12 December 2006 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

4. PETITIONS

5. INSTALLATION OF POSTER BOLLARDS ON ROADS

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, City Environment Group
Officer responsible:	Transport & Greenspace Manager
Author:	Weng Kei Chen, Asset & Policy Engineer, DDI 941 8655

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Community Board comments on the poster bollards proposed by Phantom Bill Stickers Limited (refer attached). The comments will form a part of a report to Council when considering the locations of poster bollards on roads.

- 2. The Council has an agreement to licence poster bollards with Phantom Bill Stickers Limited. This agreement is to install 100 poster bollards in the city by December 2006 and thereafter an additional ten per year until 2011.
- 3. There are already 44 bollards installed and these are mainly in the central city.
- 4. Since June 2005, representatives of Phantom Bill Stickers Limited have been in discussions with staff to seek approval for the remaining 56 poster bollards prior to December 2006.
- 5. To date there are 17 bollards that the staff consider appropriate and are recommending to Council for consideration.
- 6. There are 16 bollards proposed in the suburban areas of Lincoln, Riccarton, Hornby, Papanui, Shirley, Sumner, Linwood, Ferrymead and one in the Central City.
- 7. The following poster bollard locations requiring Community Board input and comments are:
 - (a) Christchurch 05061 Marshlands Road outside the Palms by the bus stop.
 - (b) Christchurch 0511 Winston and Main North Roads
 - (c) Christchurch 0512 Harewood/Main North/Papanui Roads, paved area by landscape
- 8. Phantom Bill Stickers Limited requires the consent of the Council as owner of the roads, prior to lodging the Resource Consents for the structures.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 9. The Council will not encounter any expenditure.
- 10. The company will also require Resource Consent for the locations.
- 11. There is an agreement in place between the Council and the Phantom Bill Stickers Limited.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Community Board recommends to the Council the installation of the following poster bollards:

- (a) Christchurch 05061Marshlands Road outside the Palms by the bus stop
- (b) Christchurch 0511 Winston and Main North Roads
- (c) Christchurch 0512 Harewood/Main North/Papanui Roads, paved area by landscape.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND

- 12. The poster bollards are solely for promoting Christchurch and Christchurch events.
- 13. In June 2003, the Council adopted an Installation Approval Process for the poster bollards. The decision of their locations were delegated to Central City Streets Subcommittee with input from community boards. With the current Council's structure, the Council will have to approve their installation.
- 14. The approval process adopted also outlined the assessment criteria for the location suitability and these are:
 - Vehicle traffic safety
 - Pedestrian movements
 - Access issues with relation to property
 - Utility services
 - Affect on businesses for example door entrances
 - Consultation with building and business owners
 - Sensitive environments eg river banks and heritage buildings etc.
- 15. Staff are satisfied that the above criteria have been met when assessing these bollards.
- 16. The agreement with the company is working well and a good working relationship has been developed between the two parties.
 - The bollards have been kept in good working order with few negative comments received.
 - The company has been actively clearing posters appearing on street furniture and on utility cabinets.
 - The company has made space available for community groups' posters. Ninety community groups used the space and the company has posted 14,000 posters in the last 12 months. This exceeds the 10% allocation agreed upon.
- 17. There is also information available via customer services, advising groups of the free space available for community posters.

6. NORTHWOOD PARK/ENGLEFIELD RESERVE FOOTBRIDGE AND LANDSCAPE PLAN

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, City Environment Group
Officer responsible:	Transport and Greenspace Manager
Author:	Mary Hay DDI 941-5410

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the approval of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to proceed to detailed design and construction/ implementation of the Northwood Park/Englefield Reserve footbridge and landscape plan project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Englefield Reserve and Northwood Park are located in Belfast. These reserves are separated by the Kaputone Creek, which forms part of the Styx River system. This part of the Styx is an ephemeral waterway and its associated river terraces provide an important natural feature between these reserves.

- 3. Preliminary planning highlighted the need for pedestrian access across Kaputone Creek as part of a walking route from Northwood to Englefield Road. A concept plan was developed to meet this need and also to create an ecological green corridor that identifies this area as part of the Styx River catchment.
- 4. In November 2006 a publicity pamphlet was distributed to approximately 650 residences and key stakeholders (refer attachment 1). The consultation received 229 submissions with community feedback being generally very positive about the proposal. The consultation summary is included as attachment 2.
- 5. The following quantitative response was received:

Footbridge Statements	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
"Yes, I support the footbridge"	218	95%
"No, I do not support the footbridge"	6	3%
Position not indicated	5	2%

Landscape Plan Statements	Number of responses	Percentage of responses
"Yes, I support the landscape plan"	211	92%
"No, I do not support the landscape plan"	9	4%
Position not indicated	9	4%

- 6. While these figures indicate strong support for both the proposed bridge and the proposed landscaping, the following key issues were also highlighted in the feedback:
 - Cost of the bridge concern that the bridge looks too expensive (expressed by 7% of respondents)
 - Stream flow in the Kaputone Creek concern about the need for more stream flow (expressed by 7% of respondents)
 - Tree removals and/or landscaping concern was expressed about a number of tree and landscaping related issues (expressed by 16% of respondents).
- 7. The cost of the proposed bridge is estimated to be around \$170,000. A rough estimate for a simple boardwalk would be in the order of \$100,000. The reason for this cost is that, as the river bank is quite high, the project would involve extensive earthworks and tree removal to get a 1:12 grade. The result would be significant disruption to the natural environment and a heavy looking timber structure. There would also be resource consent issues as the boardwalk would be located in the floodplain. It could be lifted higher but, once it was over 1m high, it would require handrails and would become a bigger and more expensive structure.
- 8. The issue of stream flow is beyond the scope of this project and, regardless of stream flow, the river banks pose a barrier between the reserves, due to their steepness. However, the Greenspace Planning team has recently submitted a resource consent application to sink a bore at the headwaters of the Kaputone Creek. If this application is approved, the water that is taken will be used to augment the flow of the creek. The details of this project will be outlined in an upcoming report to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.
- 9. A number of submitters expressed concern at the tree removals due to their visual amenity and role in protection from the wind. However, the majority of the tree removals (willows) in this plan are required for safety reasons and, as such, are proceeding as part of Council's maintenance programme. In addition to the required tree maintenance work, this proposal would only require the removal of the remnant pine hedge on Northwood Park.

- 10. The initial concept has been amended in response to community feedback, where possible, and the preferred option is included as attachment 3. This option best satisfies the objectives of the project and has good community support. The construction of the bridge and footpaths is scheduled for April-June 2007. The implementation of the landscaping will begin in the winter planting season in July-September 2007 and will be staged over three years.
- 11. The preferred option best satisfies the objectives of the project, is consistent with the choices made by the community, and is consistent with the funding allocated in the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP).

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 12. The funding for the proposed Northwood Park/Englefield Reserve Footbridge and Landscape Plan has been set aside in the LTCCP under "Parks, Open Spaces and Waterways Local Projects New Bridges and Structures" (refer page 84 LTCCP).
- 13. The total cost of the bridge and paths is approximately \$210,000. The cost of landscaping is approximately \$90,000 and will be developed over the next three years.
- 14. The funds for the bridge, paths and part of the landscaping are programmed in the Capital Programme Unit's budget, for construction over the 2006/07 and 2007/08 financial years. The remainder of the landscaping will be budgeted for over the next three years.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approves the plan in attachment 3 in order to proceed to detailed design and construction/implementation of the Northwood Park/Englefield Reserve footbridge and landscape plan project.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

BACKGROUND ON THE NORTWOOD PARK/ENGLEFIELD RESERVE FOOTBRIDGE AND LANDSCAPE PROPOSAL

- 15. Englefield Reserve and Northwood Park are located in Belfast. These reserves are separated by the Kaputone Creek, which forms part of the Styx River system. This part of the Styx is an ephemeral waterway and its associated river terraces provide an important natural feature between these reserves.
- 16. Englefield Reserve is a local park that contains a sports field, children's play area, toilets and landscaping. Englefield Reserve now extends across Kaputone Creek and has strong links to the Northwood and Crombie Green residential developments on the other side of Kaputone Creek.
- 17. Northwood Park is a sports ground containing a sports field, some amenity boundary plantings and some residual planting (pine trees) associated with the boundary of Northwood subdivision.
- 18. Preliminary planning highlighted the following issues:
 - Pedestrian access is needed across Kaputone Creek as part of a walking route from Northwood to Englefield Road. Children from Englefield need to access the bus stop on Northwood Boulevard and to do so they must cross the creek. The alternative is to catch a bus on the other side of Main North Road.
 - A number of issues need to be addressed with regard to tree health. In addition some trees would need to be removed to accommodate a bridge.
 - An esplanade strip follows the Kaputone Creek upstream on the Northwood side.
 - The developer raised expectations of a tennis court in Northwood Park. Styx Mill has private tennis courts. Sheldon Park, which is located across Main North Road, has public tennis courts, basketball and skate facilities. Council has received two opposing petitions about need for a tennis court (2004).
 - There is a toilet near the car park on the lower field of Englefield Reserve. There may be a need for a toilet in Northwood Park. Changing rooms would be needed to service senior teams.
 - The has been a loss of base flow in Kaputone Creek CCC, ECan and Styx Living Laboratory Trust are examining this.
- 19. A concept plan that included two pedestrian bridges across the Kaputone Stream was initially developed and presented to the S/P Community Board in March 2005. In 2006 a Capital Programme Project Team was set up to finalise the concept, consult with the community and implement the bridge project. The initial concept plan has been rejected due to the cost of the two proposed bridges and the significant tree removal required.
- 20. The objectives for the project were:
 - To develop a concept plan for a bridge over the Kaputone Creek, between Englefield Reserve and Northwood Park, which enhances the ecological green corridor and pedestrian linkages in and around the river corridor
 - Ensure that the concept plan is endorsed by the community and Community Board
 - Use an integrated artworks approach to the design of the bridge
 - Visually identify the Kaputone Creek as part of the Styx catchment
 - Improve accessibility between the reserves and between the Northwood and Englefield suburbs
 - Enhance the Kaputone Creek as an ecological green corridor including natural landforms and existing native botanical flora
 - Improve amenity of the reserves.

- 21. The Project Team developed a concept to meet these objectives, which included the following:
 - One pedestrian bridge across the Kaputone Creek
 - Pathways between the reserves and along the creek
 - Extensive landscaping of the ecological green corridor, which would be staged over several years.
- 22. The design philosophy for the landscape plan took into account the following landscape principles:
 - This area provides a transition zone from neatly manicured residential development through to a sense of wilderness associated with an important ecological area
 - Large, tall plantings associated with the 5 metre ecological strip along the top of the terrace are essential in order to retain the sense of wilderness within the reserve. The only exceptions being where the houses will be screened by existing trees within the reserve
 - New plantings should reflect the ecological significance of the reserve
 - Built structures to have a modern feel and be in keeping with the strategy, Purakaunui: The Styx, The Role of Art and Design.
- 23. In November 2006 a publicity pamphlet was distributed to approximately 650 residences and key stakeholders (refer attachment 1). This pamphlet included a summary of the concept, an initial concept plan and a feedback form. The project team sought feedback from the community to see whether the bridge and the landscape proposals were generally supported.
- 24. The consultation received a 35% response rate (229 responses). Community feedback was generally very positive, as can be seen in the tables below. The consultation outcome and project team responses are outlined in full in attachment 2.
- 25. The following quantitative response was received to the following statements:

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- 26. While these figures indicate strong support for both the proposed bridge and the proposed landscaping, the following key issues were also highlighted in the feedback:
 - Cost of the bridge concern that the bridge looks too expensive (expressed by 7% of respondents)
 - Stream flow in the Kaputone Creek concern about the need for more stream flow (expressed by 7% of respondents)

- Tree removals and/or landscaping concern was expressed about a number of tree and landscaping related issues (expressed by 16% of respondents). The key landscaping issues raised were:
 - Concern at tree removals due to their multiple values, especially visual and protection from the wind
 - Species choice exotic vs. native, opposition to grasses, need for more colour, need for some fast growing species, preference for low maintenance.

Cost of the proposed footbridge

- 27. The cost of the proposed bridge is estimated to be around \$170,000. A rough estimate for a simple boardwalk would be in the order of \$100,000. The reason for this cost is that, as the river bank is quite high, the project would involve extensive earthworks and tree removal to get a 1:12 grade. The result would be significant environmental disruption and a heavy looking timber structure. There would also be resource consent issues as the board walk would be located in the floodplain. It could be lifted higher but, once it was over 1m high, it would require handrails and would become a bigger and more expensive structure.
- 28. Local community has identified a need for a footbridge to connect the two reserves and this need is now urgent. The funding for this proposal is allocated in the Capital Works Programme, in accordance with the Long Term Council Community Plan. The project team considers that the overall design will be well integrated with the surrounding environment and will help to identify this area with the Styx River catchment. It will be in keeping with Purakaunui: The Styx, The Role of Art and Design and Styx Vision 2000-2040 strategies.

Stream flow in the Kaputone Creek

29. The issue of stream flow is beyond the scope of this project, which is focussed on the provision of a bridge and landscaping to link these two public spaces. Regardless of stream flow in the creek, the river banks pose a barrier between the reserves, due to their steepness. However, the Greenspace Planning team has recently submitted a resource consent application to sink a bore at the headwaters of the Kaputone Creek. If this application is approved, the water that is taken will be used to augment the flow of the creek. The details of this project will be outlined in an upcoming report to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

Tree Removals Issues

- 30. A number of submitters expressed concern at the tree removals due to their multiple values; in particular, visual amenity and protection from the wind. The consultation material outlined the following tree removal plan:
 - End of 2006 Removal of approximately 10 willows, located east of the proposed bridge, due to ill health and risk of failure. This work has been completed and was part of the city's ongoing maintenance programme.
 - Early 2007 (depending on approvals) Removal of the remnant pine hedge, located on Northwood Park side near site of proposed bridge, to allow visibility to proposed bridge. Removal of failing willows, located at the bridge site, due to ill health and risk of failure.
 - Ongoing work over next 5-10 years Willows, poplars and pines along this stretch of Kaputone Creek will be gradually removed as they decline and as new plantings mature, to allow for replacement plantings of indigenous species along the Kaputone Creek corridor.

- 31. The majority of the tree removals in this plan are required for safety reasons, as they are not healthy trees. In terms of healthy trees, this proposal would only require the removal of the remnant pine hedge on Northwood Park.
- 32. A number of submissions mistakenly expressed concern about the removal of trees that we do not intend to remove e.g. the large pines and poplars bordering the creek, the walnut trees and healthy willow trees.

Key Landscape Plan Issues

- 33. The landscaping plan provides an ecological green corridor with native species chosen to encourage bird life and other natural ecosystems. Existing exotic trees will be phased out as they decline and as new indigenous plantings mature. Exotic plantings will continue to be developed outside the river corridor, in the more modified environment.
- 34. A number of submitters sought tree characteristics that are provided for in the landscape plan, such as flowering species, trees that attract birds, fast growing tree species, large native trees.
- 35. There was some concern that the proposed dense plantings would provide entrapment areas. The design will ensure that the plantings along the through-routes, and adjacent to the property boundaries, will be open so that there are not any areas of concealment. However, parts of this concept will include densely planted 'wilderness areas' that people can choose to enter if they wish.
- 36. In response to calls from the community, there will be a community planting day for this project. Details of this will be released closer to the time.
- 37. The project team considered the feedback from consultation and revised the landscape plan in the following way:
 - Under-planting will not be included under the proposed trees on Crombie Green
 - The number of tussocks will be minimised and appropriate species will be chosen
 - Hebes and coloured flax may be used in the planting plan
 - The potential future walkway up the Kaputone Creek was incorrectly noted on the plan on the northern side of the creek and has been relocated to the southern side
 - The landscape plan will note that the maximum height of landscaping will be 2m within 4m of property boundaries.
- 38. Some concern was raised about the proposed crossing point over Crombie Green that connects with the existing footpath on Crombie Green. This corner was identified as a problem in terms of speeding drivers and visibility of oncoming traffic for pedestrians. This corner has a posted speed limit of 35kph and the proposed crossing point was identified by the traffic engineers as the preferred site because it optimises intervisibility on both approaches to the bend.
- 39. A number of other issues were raised by the community that were outside the scope of this project and the project team's response to these issues is outlined in the consultation summary (attachment 2).
- 40. The recommended concept plan is included as attachment 3. The construction of the bridge and footpaths is scheduled for April-June 2007. The implementation of the landscaping will begin in the winter planting season in July-September 2007 and will be staged over three years.

OPTIONS

- 41. Three options were considered for the footbridge in Northwood Park/Englefield Reserve:
 - (a) One bridge across the Kaputone Creek. This option is favoured by the community, which urgently requires a footbridge to link the two reserves. However the public consultation highlighted some concern about the cost of this bridge. The pathway proposal will improve access for those with impaired mobility. Community identification fostered by integrated artwork linking to sense of identity with the Styx River catchment. Social and environmental benefits from landscaping and community planting day.
 - (b) Two bridges across the Kaputone Creek. This option was only partially developed and was not presented to the wider community as an option due to the excessive cost and significant tree removal and earthworks that would have been required. Public consultation on the single bridge option highlighted community concern about cost, indicating that two bridges would not be an acceptable option.
 - (c) Status quo No footbridge. This option would not meet community expectations.

PREFERRED OPTION

- 42. The preferred option, (a) one bridge across the Kaputone Creek, best satisfies the objectives of the project and is consistent with feedback received through community consultation, which supports the need for a footbridge to link the two reserves.
- 43. The preferred option is consistent with the following policies:
 - Christchurch City Plan

The City Plan contains policy specifically referring to art in public places. It states:

• Policy: Art in Public Places

4.2.5 "To promote appropriate cultural development and the expression of art in buildings and areas accessible to the public."

Council's Arts Policy Statement: He Kaupapa Ita Mo Nga Mahi Toi

The statement of intent of this policy is that "The Christchurch City Council is committed to achieving an enlivened and creative city in which the arts are widely recognised as being essential."

Goal 5 of this policy seeks to provide "Buildings and public spaces that reflect the past, celebrate the present and provide a legacy for the future."

Among the objectives of this goal are to "Ensure that the Council as a developer leads by example in achieving excellence in design and incorporating public artworks in its capital programmes."

Waterways and Wetlands Asset Management Strategy:

Styx Vision 2000-2040

44. The Kaputone Creek is an important tributary of the Styx River ecosystem and forms part of the overall vision for the long term management of the waterways, wetlands and surface water within the Styx catchment as outlined in 'Styx Vision 2000 – 2040'. This long term vision contains 5 interrelated visions including the following:

Vision 2 - To create a "Source to Sea Experience" through the development of an Urban National Reserve.

- Vision 4 To establish "The Styx" as a place to be through maintaining and enhancing the special character and identity of the area.
- 45. Specific actions include recognizing, highlighting and enhancing the unique landscape character of the Styx River ecosystem through:
 - Improving public access, visibility and the growing of large trees along the margins of its waterways
 - Protecting and accentuating the stories of the land, its drainage and vegetation patterns, cultural patterns, features and landmarks.
- 46. The preferred option is also consistent with the following:
 - LTCCP 2006-2016
 - Parks and Open Spaces Activity Management Plan
 - Safer Parks Policy
 - Parks and Waterways Access Policy.
- 47. The preferred option has primary alignment with the following Community Outcomes:
 - "Our diversity is seen, heard, valued and celebrated. All people feel a sense of belonging and participate in the community."; and
 - "Our lifestyles reflect our commitment to guardianship of the natural environment in and around Christchurch. We actively work to protect, enhance and restore our environment for future generations."; and
 - "Christchurch has a vibrant centre, attractive neighbourhoods and well-designed transport networks. Our lifestyles and heritage are enhanced by our urban environment."

7. ST ALBANS CREEK ENHANCEMENT (76 WESTMINSTER TO COURTENAY STREET SECTION)

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, City Environment Group
Officer responsible:	Manager, Transport and Greenspace
Author:	Mary Hay DDI 941-5410

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to proceed to detailed design and construction of the St Albans Creek enhancement (76 Westminster to Courtenay Street section).

- This stream enhancement project relates to a small section of St Albans Creek between Courtenay Street and the rear entrance to St Albans School. This part of St Albans Creek needs to be enhanced. The area includes some old concrete bridges, a garage, a number of mature trees and a grassed area adjacent to Courtenay Street.
- 3. This corner site is owned by the Council and has previously been considered for use as part of a proposal to widen Courtenay Street, which did not proceed. Funding has been allocated in the Capital Programme for the 2008/09 and 2009/10 financial years to investigate the widening of Courtenay Street.
- 4. In November 2006 a publicity pamphlet was distributed to the local community and stakeholders (refer attachment 1). There was a high degree of community engagement in this project. The consultation received a 21% response rate, which was largely very supportive of the proposal, although concerns were raised about a number of local roading issues. The consultation outcome and project team responses are summarised in attachment 2.

- 5. The main requests made by submitters were for:
 - Seating
 - Amendments to the alignment of the proposed pathway
 - Amendments to the proposed planting and tree removals
 - Roading and storm water upgrades.
- 6. The initial concept has been amended in response to community feedback and the preferred option is included as attachment 3. This option best satisfies the objectives of the project, has good community support and is consistent with the funding allocated in the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP). The construction and removal of the trees and structures is scheduled for March 2007 and the plantings are scheduled for the winter planting season in May to July 2007.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7. The funding for the proposed upgrade to St Albans Creek is has been set aside in the LTCCP under "Parks, Open Spaces and Waterways Local Projects Waterways and Wetlands Restoration" (refer page 84 LTCCP).
- 8. The funds are programmed in the Capital Programme Unit's budget, for construction over the 2006/2007 financial year specifically, \$50,000 for 76 Westminster (Waterways & Wetlands Restoration).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approves the plan in attachment 3 in order to proceed to detailed design and construction/ implementation of the concept for St Albans Creek (76 Westminster to Courtenay Street section).

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

BACKGROUND ON THE ST ALBANS CREEK ENHANCEMENT

- 9. This stream enhancement project relates to a small section of St Albans Creek between Courtenay Street and the rear entrance to St Albans School. The area includes some old concrete bridges a garage, a number of mature trees and a grassed area adjacent to Courtenay Street.
- 10. This corner site is owned by the Council and has previously been considered for use as part of a proposal to widen Courtenay Street, which did not proceed. Funding has been allocated in the Capital Programme for the 2008/09 and 2009/10 financial years to investigate the widening of Courtenay Street.
- 11. While the roading issues are being investigated, it is considered that the land could be used as a thoroughfare between Courtenay Street and the Westminster Street, improving access to St Albans School and providing a recreational opportunity for the local residents.
- 12. The objectives for the project were to:
 - Maintain functionality and capacity of St Albans Creek
 - Stabilise and enhance the stream bank without compromising the stability of adjacent structures and footpath
 - Safety around the school entranceway and the creek environs is improved
 - Undertake tree assessment.
- 13. The Project Team developed a concept to meet these objectives, which included the following:
 - Stream bank enhancement with basalt rock bank protection and landscaping of the stream bank with native wetland ground cover planting
 - Perimeter landscaping of the site with low ground cover planting
 - A pathway linkage between Courtenay Street and the Westminster Street (near the entrance to St Albans School)
 - Removal of high iron fence adjacent to Westminster St and replacement with see through fencing
 - Removal of garage and concrete bridges and fence between 38 Courtenay Street and Westminster Street
 - Removal of one Maytenus tree, two Ash trees, a Laurel tree, and a Birch tree.
- 14. In November 2006 a publicity pamphlet was distributed to approximately 150 residences and key stakeholders. This pamphlet included a summary of the concept and an initial concept plan (refer attachment 1), and a feedback form. The project team sought feedback from the community to see whether the proposal was generally supported and sought comment about the proposal.
- 15. The consultation received a 21% response rate (31 responses). Community feedback was generally very positive although concerns were raised about a number of local roading issues. The consultation outcome and project team responses are summarised in attachment 2. Two submitters opposed the proposal as they sought upgrades to Courtenay Street and its intersection with Westminster Street. One submitter supported on the proviso that the trees indicated for removal were retained. The remaining submitters, including St Albans School, supported the proposal.
- 16. The main requests made by submitters were for:
 - Seating
 - Amendments to the alignment of the proposed pathway
 - Amendments to the proposed planting and tree removals.
- 17. The community also sought upgrades to areas outside the scope of this project, such as roading and storm water. Information was sought about earlier proposals to widen Courtenay Street and Council progress on these matters.

- 18. The project team considered the feedback from consultation and revised the concept plan to include the following:
 - A seat
 - Realignment of the proposed footpath (to provide more open space)
 - Increased the height of the proposed border plantings to approximately 1-1.5m high (to more clearly delineated the public/private boundary)
 - Planting of two kowhai trees
 - The removal of the gum tree closest to the street.
- 19. Discussion with the community revealed that this piece of land is well used by local people. Prior to the construction of fencing across this site it was used as a shortcut between Courtenay Street and Westminster Street. The reinstatement of this thoroughfare is welcomed by the community. While this space is not a formal reserve, it is well used by the community as a place to rest and recreate. A seat has been included in the proposal to cater for this need.
- 20. It was identified that the amount of grassed open space should be maximised and not be cut off by the proposed path. The project team has realigned the path to cater for this as much as possible but did not feel it appropriate to realign the path towards 34 Courtenay Street because the 'desire line' for pedestrians is likely to be in a more central location. The selected alignment moves the path closer to the river, for visual appeal, and aligns it with an existing crossing point on Courtenay St while keeping pedestrians a safe distance from the existing driveway on the western boundary of the site.
- 21. The assessment by the Arborist recommended the removal of five trees from the site. The maytenus is a noxious tree species located on the property boundary. The two ash trees and the laurel tree are in poor condition, partly due to the fact that they have been previously cut down and since suckered. The birch tree is in decline and is located below power lines.
- 22. There was a request to retain the ash and laurel trees. However, as these are in poor condition and their retention would preclude the proposed thoroughfare, it is recommended that these are removed. This area has a number of mature trees and it is proposed to add two kowhai trees, which are iconic to St Albans. The public consultation highlighted the need for the removal of a gum tree that inhibits visibility and is located below power lines.
- 23. The issues regarding road upgrades will be forwarded to the relevant staff for consideration and those submitters that attended a site meeting have been advised to contact the Capital Programme (Transport) Team Leader to seek information on any upcoming roading projects in the area. This project team has since been advised that funding has been allocated in the Capital Programme for the 2008/09 and 2009/10 financial years to investigate the widening of Courtenay Street. The community will be advised of this prior to a decision being made on this stream enhancement project.
- 24. The recommended concept plan is included as attachment 3. The construction and removal of the trees and structures is scheduled for March 2007 and the plantings are scheduled for the winter planting season in May-July 2007.

OPTIONS

- 25. Two options were considered for the St Albans Creek enhancement:
 - (a) Enhancement of St Albans Creek and surrounds. This option is most favoured by the community, which supports the development of this area. The pathway proposal will improve access for all in this area. Social and environmental benefits will accrue from stream enhancement, seating, landscaping and removal of fencing.
 - (b) Status quo No work completed on St Albans Creek. This option would not meet community expectations, would not enhance St Albans Creek, would not improve pedestrian access in this area and would not improve the access to St Albans School.

PREFERRED OPTION

- 26. The preferred option, (a) the enhancement of St Albans Creek and surrounds, best satisfies the objectives of the project and is consistent with feedback received through community consultation.
- 27. This option is consistent with the:
 - LTCCP 2006-2016
 - Parks and Open Spaces Activity Management Plan
 - Parks and Waterways Access Policy.
- 28. This option has primary alignment with the following Community Outcomes:
 - "We value leisure time and recognise that the arts, sports, and other recreational activities contribute to our economy, identity, health and well being,"; and
 - "Christchurch has a vibrant centre, attractive neighbourhoods and well-designed transport networks. Our lifestyles and heritage are enhanced by our urban environment."

8. RUTLAND STREET/HAWKESBURY AVENUE – PROPOSED "NO STOPPING"

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, City Environment Group
Officer responsible:	Manager, Transport & Greenspace
Author:	Paul Burden/Basil Pettigrew, DDI 941 8542

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to install short lengths of broken yellow "no stopping" line on the Rutland Street/Hawkesbury Avenue corners (refer attached).

- 2. The Council has received complaints from road users and local residents regarding safety and visibility problems at the Rutland Street/Hawkesbury Street intersection.
- 3. Concerns have been raised regarding the lack of visibility of south-bound vehicles on Rutland Street when turning left from Hawkesbury Avenue into Rutland Street. Observations have shown that currently vehicles have to move well into the intersection to check the road is clear before completing their manoeuvre. This lack of visibility is directly attributed to the presence of parked vehicles on Rutland Street immediately north of the Hawkesbury Avenue intersection.
- 4. Hawkesbury Avenue forms a "T" intersection with Rutland Street and the intersection is controlled by a give way control against Hawkesbury Avenue. The Meshino Café is located on the south-west corner of the intersection within a block of five shops. Rugby Park is located on Rutland Street opposite the Hawkesbury Avenue intersection. The remaining land use in the immediate vicinity is residential.
- 5. A search of the Land Transport crash database for the last five years revealed no reported crashes resulting from poor visibility in the immediate vicinity however, local residents have reported several near misses at this intersection.
- 6. To improve road safety and visibility for road users it is proposed that short lengths of broken yellow "no stopping" line be installed on the Rutland Street/Hawkesbury Avenue corners removing approximately two car parking spaces. This is considered to be the most cost effective and practical solution to the problem.
- 7. Consultation has been carried out with all affected parties and support has been forthcoming.

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FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Cost

8. The installation of road markings is within operational budgets.

Legal

9. The Land Transport Rules provide for the installation of parking restrictions including broken yellow (no stopping) lines.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Community Board approve that:

- (a) The stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south-west side of Rutland Street, commencing at the Hawkesbury Avenue intersection and extending in a northerly direction for a distance of 12.0 metres.
- (b) The stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south-east side of Rutland Street, commencing at the Hawkesbury Avenue intersection and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 8.5 metres.
- (c) The stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the north side of Hawkesbury Avenue, commencing at the Rutland Street intersection and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 10.0 metres.
- (d) The stopping of vehicles be prohibited at any time on the south side of Hawkesbury Avenue, commencing at the Rutland Street intersection and extending in a westerly direction for a distance of 10.0 metres.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendations be adopted.

9. WESTMINSTER PARK LICENCE TO OCCUPY FORMER SOCCER CLUB ROOMS

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, City Environment Group
Officer responsible:	Transport & Greenspace Unit Manager
Author:	David Rowland, Property Consultant, 941 8053

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval to grant Graeme C Spinks, a licence to occupy the former Westminster Soccer Club Rooms on Westminster Park for the purpose of Judo training and instruction pursuant to Section 54(1) of the Reserves Act 1977 for an initial term of 12 months, including a right of renewal for a further 12 month term.

- 2. For some time Graeme C Spinks has occupied the former Westminster Soccer Club Rooms for Judo training and instruction. It is appropriate that a formal licence to occupy be put in place giving Spinks rights of tenure until development plans for the park are finalised.
- The Board (under delegated authority) is able to approve the licensing of these premises to Spinks given that the activity is an existing use and the effects of the use will be the same or similar in character, intensity and scale.

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FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. The granting of such a licence is provided for under Reserves Act delegation from the Department of Conservation and a market rental is to be negotiated with the tenant.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

9. Cont'd

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board:

- (a) Approves the granting of a Licence to Occupy under Section 54(1) of the Reserves Act 1977 to Graeme C Spinks for a term of one year with a right of renewal for a further one year term over the former Westminster Soccer Club Rooms located on Westminster Park being part of Lot 43 DP 8664.
- (b) Grants authority to the Corporate Support Manager to conclude and administer the licence on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Council.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendations be adopted.

BACKGROUND

- 5. The future of this building has not been determined however, full consideration will be given when development plans and public consultation is undertaken for the park.
- 6. The term of 12 months has been determined due to the formation of a sports trust "Westminster Sports Inc" which has commenced preliminary dialogue with Council staff relating to future planning and occupation of an area of the park. The Trust's vision is "To enhance and encourage the participation of our members and the community by providing appropriate facilities and leadership."
- 7. The Trust has a membership of some 2,750 and is an umbrella organisation for Christchurch Football Club, Christchurch Football Squash Club, Western Association Football Club, Canterbury Judo, Canterbury Lacrosse and the Christchurch Football Netball Club.
- 8. Action has been taken to ensure that the building is fit for purpose and that a Building Warrant of Fitness is held. Basic maintenance has been completed. Off-street car parking is more than adequately provided on adjacent Council land.

10. SHIRLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL HEATING

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services Group
Officer responsible:	Unit Manager, Community Support
Author:	Bruce Meder, DDI 941-5408

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1. The purpose of this report is to present a request for funding from the Shirley Primary School towards the purchase of heat pumps for the School's hall.
- 2. This application has been referred to the Community Board for consideration by the Community Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 3. Shirley Primary School is a Decile 3 school located in one of the city's areas of high deprivation. The school has been actively involved in the development of community pride in the area and in heightening the well-being of the community. It has done this by its active participation in community events, engaging in co-operative ventures and allowing its facilities to be used by a range of community organisations.
- 4. In order to make its facilities more comfortable the school wishes to install two heat pumps in the hall at a cost of \$8,890. It is applying to the Community Board for funding to assist with this project.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 5. The total cost of this project is \$13,335, made up of three heat pumps, including one in the library.
- 6. The annual accounts of Shirley Primary School (to 31 December 2005) show a revenue of \$1.2 million with an operating surplus of only \$4,000. Fixed Assets were approximately \$319,000 with Current Assets standing at almost \$58,000. However, Current Liabilities of \$90,000 has left a negative Working Capital of over \$32,000.
- 7. Shirley Primary School has obtained two quotes for the supply and installation of the heat pumps. The quote of \$13,335 is the cheaper of the two options.

- 8. Although the total project is for three heat pumps, one of these is for the library. As it is the hall that is primarily used by the community, the application is for funding of those two heat pumps only, i.e. \$8,890.
- 9. This is a one-off application and is not expected to be the source of ongoing applications for funding of this project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approves a grant of \$8,890 from its 2006/07 SCAP Fund to Shirley Primary School towards the costs of purchasing two heat pumps for the hall.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND ON SHIRLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- 10. Shirley Primary School is a Decile 3 school operating in the middle of one of the city's areas of high deprivation.
- 11. The school has been one of the key organisations in the Shirley area, both as a provider of facilities and as an agent for social well-being in the area.
- 12. As a provider of facilities in the area, the school currently is the venue for: Shirley Community Trust OSCAR programme; meetings of the Shirley Residents' Group; local preschools and YMCA holiday programmes. It also is the base for the School Counsellor (jointly funded by Presbyterian Support Services and the Shirley/Papanui Community Board).
- 13. Outside of its educational focus the school has been an active participant in community events and programmes, e.g. the Shirley Community Inter-Agency Network, SHINE Community Events, the development of the Shirley Community Charter.
- 14. The application for funding from the school is supported by letters from Shirley Community Trust and Shirley Residents' Group.

OPTIONS

- 15. The Community Board has three options available to it:
 - (a) To allocate a grant for the full amount requested
 - (b) To allocate a partial grant, or
 - (c) To decline the application.

PREFERRED OPTION

16. Shirley Primary School operates in an area of high deprivation. It is very involved in its local community and allows its facilities to be used by local organisations. For these reasons, Option (a) above is the preferred option.

11. BELFAST TOASTMASTERS

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services Group
Officer responsible:	Unit Manager, Community Support
Author:	Bruce Meder, DDI 941-5408

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's consideration of an application for funding of \$1,000 from Belfast Toastmasters.

- 2. Belfast Toastmasters is a group in the process of establishing itself. It is seeking funding to enable it to purchase equipment necessary to get under way.
- 3. Toastmasters is a world-wide organisation with over 200,000 club. There are 23 clubs in Christchurch, but none in the area around Belfast, an area with a rapidly expanding population. The nearest club is Northside Toastmasters which meets in Redwood.

4. Belfast Toastmasters has the potential to add value to the social fabric of the Belfast area. There is also the risk that the Club may not be successful in establishing itself, a factor that needs to be considered in assessing this application for funding.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 5. As this is a group that is yet to become fully functioning, it has not yet produced a set of financial accounts. However, the latest bank statement (January 2007) shows a balance of \$279.40.
- 6. The items for which the Club is seeing a contribution towards are:

Whiteboard	\$ 380.00
Speech Manuals	\$ 140.00
Overhead Projector	\$ 499.00
Screen	\$ 593.00
Trophies	\$ <u>192.00</u>
	\$1,804.00

- 7. The Club has supplied quotes for all of the above.
- 8. During the pre-establishment phase the amount of donated materials has been estimated at approximately \$600 and around 100 hours of voluntary effort has been put into the establishment.
- 9. As the group is not yet established it will have difficulty applying to other sources for funding.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board approves a grant of between \$500 and \$1,000 from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund towards the purchase of a whiteboard, speech manuals, overhead projector, screen and trophies.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve a one-off grant of \$1,000 from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund to Belfast Toastmasters to assist with the purchase of a whiteboard, speech manuals, overhead projector, screen and trophies.

BACKGROUND ON BELFAST TOASTMASTERS

- 10. The primary purpose of Belfast Toastmasters will be to train people to improve their ability to speak in front of others with confidence. Further, the group wishes to assist people in improving their speaking, listening and thinking skills generally.
- 11. The Club intends holding weekly meetings with a structured programme including speeches from manuals with guidance from mentors.
- 12. The Club hopes to be able to achieve a membership of 20, which would enable it to become a Chartered Club.
- 13. The Club has been offered the use of the Belfast Community Network premises rent-free until such time as the Club becomes financially able to afford a rental.

OPTIONS

- 14. The Community Board has three options available:
 - (a) To allocate a grant to the full amount requested.
 - (b) To decline the application.
 - (c) To give a partial grant.

PREFERRED OPTION

15. This is a new Club in the establishment phase. If the Club is successful it will add to the social strength of the Belfast area. It appears to have support in the area, as evidenced by the donated materials and voluntary input. However, as this is a Club yet to become fully established, there is a risk that the Club may not be successful in getting fully established. There is a need for support at this early stage to give it the best chance at becoming established, yet recognising the risks involved. For this reason, option (c) above is the preferred option.

12. PAPANUI YOUTH FACILITY

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services Group
Officer responsible:	Unit Manager, Community Support
Author:	Bruce Meder, DDI 941-5408

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's consideration of a request for funding from Te Papanui Trust for \$27,000 to be used for capital items for the Papanui Youth Facility.

- 2. Te Papanui Trust is entrusted with managing the design and construction of the Papanui Youth Facility. The cost of construction of this facility is over \$1 million.
- 3. Recent increases in costs have seen a blow-out of \$27,000 take place. The Trust's Chairperson has called a halt on the inclusion of a kitchen (costing \$35,000) unless funds can be found to overcome this shortfall.
- 4. The facility is due for completion around March-April this year and will add significantly to the amenities of North-West Christchurch, especially in terms of youth amenities.

5. Although the Community Board and City Council have both provided significant funding for this project already, it is recommended that a further grant be made in order to enable this facility to get the best possible start it can.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 6. The construction of the Papanui Youth Facility has seen a blow out of costs of approximately \$27,000, primarily from electrical costs, unmaterialised savings and extra costs associated with the climbing wall. This has necessitated cutting back on construction. One cut-back that has been identified is that of the kitchen, as the total costs of this, including joinery, appliances, ventilation, servery, bench tops, gibbing and vinyl is \$35,000, almost equivalent to the \$27,000 blow out.
- 7. However, Te Papanui Trust would like to be able to include a kitchen and is therefore applying to the Board for \$27,000 to enable the kitchen to be included.
- 8. Christchurch City Council has contributed significantly towards the construction costs of the Youth Facility \$385,000 since 2004 as well as allocating a Community Loan of \$120,000. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board has also contributed significantly towards the project by way of a \$36,000 seeding grant. The Community Board has further contributed towards operational costs (especially salaries) by way of grants to Papanui Youth Development Trust. Since 2004 this has amounted to \$80,000, including a transfer of \$40,000 that had originally been allocated to the Papanui Community Facility.
- 9. Te Papanui Trust has obtained funding from numerous other sources, including Canterbury Community Trust, pub charities, many small trusts and private trusts amounting to well in excess of \$1/4 million. A major contribution is that of the gift of the land from St Paul's Church, valued at \$360,000 in 2004 dollars. It has also obtained well over \$80,000 worth of donated goods and labour.
- 10. The Board has \$30,665 remaining in its Discretionary Fund and a further \$28,675 in its SCAP Fund.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board allocate a grant of \$27,000 from its 2006/07 Discretionary Fund to Te Papanui Trust to enable a kitchen to be included in the Papanui Youth Facility.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND ON PAPANUI YOUTH FACILITY

- 11. The Papanui Youth Facility was initiated in 1998 from the desires of young people themselves. Te Papanui Trust has undertaken the task of overseeing the fundraising, promotion, design and construction of the facility. Papanui Youth Development Trust has responsibility for managing the facility and leasing it from Te Papanui Trust. Thus, although they are two separate identities, the two Trusts work closely together.
- 12. The project has also been an example of a unique partnership with St Paul's Anglican Church. St Paul's has gifted the land on which the facility is being constructed. The estimated value of this gift is \$360,000 (in 2004 dollars). Shirley/Papanui Community Board and the Christchurch City Council have also been strong advocates of this project.
- 13. As Board members will know, the facility is now almost completed and is due to be opened in March or April this year. The Youth Facility Programme Director has been appointed and began in that position in mid-January.
- 14. The Youth Facility includes: a climbing wall, meeting rooms, offices, a craft room, a music, recording, video room plus joint use of an upgraded hall with St Paul's. These facilities are intended to offer youth multiple recreation options catering for all tastes and interests. It is intended that youth will be heavily involved in the continued planning and direction of the facility.
- 15. A copy of the expected outputs and outcomes for the facility is attached. These indicate a number of community benefits, including:
 - Providing a positive link with schools and other youth agencies
 - Contributing towards social cohesion in the area
 - Helping to initiate youth initiatives
 - Strengthening a collaborative approach amongst youth agencies
 - Enabling lower cost of services for youth agencies
 - Fostering the artistic and musical expression of young people
 - Providing a safe "chill out" area for youth to meet and mix.
- 16. The inclusion of a kitchen will enable the facility to provide a fully-functioning community amenity. The kitchen not only means that functions and events can be suitably catered for, but also provides a facility that could be used for training purposes.

OPTIONS

- 17. The Community Board has three options available:
 - (a) To allocate a grant to the full amount requested, i.e. \$27,000.
 - (b) To allocate a partial grant.
 - (c) To decline the application.

PREFERRED OPTION

- 18. The Papanui Youth Facility has been strongly supported by both the Community Board and the City Council. The concept and design has had significant youth involvement. Te Papanui Trust is a very competent expert group with excellent management skills. It has been highly successful in raising in excess of \$800,000 towards the costs of construction as well as sourcing approximately \$80,000 worth of donated goods and labour.
- 19. With such a significant investment of time, effort, money and community support into this project over nine years, it would be disappointing to not have sufficient funding to enable a kitchen to be included.
- 20. For these reasons, Option (a) above is the preferred option.

13. NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS' 2007 BEST PRACTICE AWARDS

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Regulation & Democracy Services
Officer responsible:	Secretariat Manager
Author:	Elsie Ellison, DDI 941-6701

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek nominations from each board to attend the New Zealand Community Boards' Conference 2007 being hosted by Manukau City Council on behalf of the Auckland region.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Conference is being held at the TelstraClear Pacific Events Centre, Manukau City, on 7-9 June 2007 and begins with an official opening and gala dinner at 5.30pm hosted by Sir Barry Curtis.
- 3. The focus for this conference will be on "Leading to Safer Communities".
- 4. The conference programme will include:
 - Guest speakers with national and international expertise
 - Presentations from community boards which have found successful ways of combating crime in their areas
 - o New community initiatives
 - Workshops on training new board members and helping members to prepare to be reelected in the upcoming elections
 - Presentation of the Best Practice Awards at a gala dinner The Awards are presented to boards which have made significant contributions to the process of achieving excellence in local government.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. The cost of attending the conference is detailed as follows:

(a)	Registration fees prior to 1 March 2007 (early bird) \$500 +GST or \$590 +GST after 1 March 2006 (includes gala dinner to be held on Thursday).	500.00
(b)	Accommodation at the Manuka Height Motor Lodge – three nights at \$135.00 per person per night plus GST	405.00
(c)	Return airfares	267.00
TOTAL		\$1,172.00

Optional Social Functions

Villa Maria Vineyard Function - Friday, 8 June 2007 6.00pm – 8.00pm
 Wine tasting, snacks and wine tour of the Villa Maria Vineyards which is establishing a reputation as one of the great wine companies of the world.

Cost \$50.00 + GST

Auckland Highlights by Night - Saturday, 9 June 2007 5.00pm – 10.30pm
 A mystery tour of some of Auckland's greatest landmarks. This will be a fun evening where you will be taken into the heart of Auckland, have an opportunity to enjoy the harbour and be wined and dined along the way.

Cost \$75.00 + GST

- 6. This brings the costs per person to attend this conference to approximately \$1,172 + GST exclusive of the two optional social functions or \$1,297 + GST inclusive of both social functions.
- 7. Each board has an operational budget set for attending conferences so that the number of delegates that each Board may send may be constrained by the remaining balances.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENT

The Board needs to ascertain who wishes to attend this Conference.

14. REPORT OF THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND COMMITTEE

General Manager responsible: General Manager, Regulation & Democracy Services	
Officer responsible:	Secretariat Manager
Author:	Elaine D Greaves, DDI 941-6726

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to submit the following report of the Board's Youth Development Fund Committee which met on 19 December 2006:

Report of a Meeting of the Youth Development Fund Sub Committee held on Tuesday 19 December Wednesday at 10 am at 41 Grassmere Street, Papanui.

PRESENT: Yvonne Palmer (Chairperson), Ngaire Button and Megan Evans

IN Elsie Ellison (Community Board Principal Adviser)
ATTENDANCE: Helen Miles (Community Recreation Adviser)

APOLOGIES: Myra Barry, Bill Bush

1. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

The Committee's approval was sought to a requests for funding from Luke Rhind, to travel to Dunedin to compete in the New Zealand National Open Bowls Tournament.

The Committee **resolved** to grant \$300 from the Board's 2006/07 Youth Development Fund to Luke Rhind to assist him to compete.

The meeting concluded at 10.10am.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

16. UPDATE OF BOARD FUNDS

Attached are schedules detailing the Board's 2006/07 Discretionary, SCAP, Youth Development and Sport and Recreation Funds.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

17. UPDATE FROM COMMUNITY BOARD PRINCIPAL ADVISER

The Community Board Principal Adviser will update the Board on current issues.

17.1 CSR Report for December 2006 and January 2007

See attached.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

18. CHAIRPERSON'S AND BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Board members will be provided with an opportunity to give an update on community activities.

19. CORRESPONDENCE

20. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS (If any have been submitted in accordance with Standing Orders 4.1.1 to 4.1.5)