

## 7. DISCRETIONARY FUNDING APPLICATIONS

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Board to approve two applications for grants from the Board's Discretionary Funding.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### Ikoraki Etchings

2. At its November meeting the Board requested that staff report to the Board on the possible purchase of a set of etchings of Ikoraki, to be partly funded from the Board's discretionary funding. Previously it had been suggested that a group of seven etchings of early Ikoraki should be purchased for the Wairewa community. It had been reported that \$1,200 from the Little River Art Fund was available to contribute to the purchase of the etchings, which were priced at \$2,000 for the framed set. The etchings are by Anna Dalzell, a Christchurch based artist, and are considered a good example of this medium.
3. It is proposed that the etchings be purchased, and subsequently owned, by Council on the understanding that they are locally and publicly displayed. It has been suggested that an appropriate site to display the etchings would be the Little River Service Centre/Library.

#### Gerald Carson Retirement

4. At its December meeting the Board agreed in principle to supporting an allocation from its Discretionary Funding for a function and gift for Gerald Carson, Akaroa's long-time dental health provider. Staff were asked to report formally on this request to the January meeting of the Board.
5. The Akaroa community held a retirement function for Gerald Carson in early December. Mr Carson had been the dentist in Akaroa for many years and had provided an excellent and affordable service to the local community.
6. At the function presentations were made to Mr Carson and his long-time assistant. Enquiries were made with Board members at that time as to whether the Board could contribute some funding towards the presentations, however time constraints did not allow for the matter to be formally considered prior to the function.
7. The costs of the presentations plus engraving came to \$231.00 and this is the amount that the community has requested the Board to consider funding from its Discretionary Funding.

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. Under the Community Board delegations, the Board has *"absolute discretion over the implementation of the discretionary funding allocation of \$15,000, (subject to being consistent with any policies or standards adopted by the Council)."*
9. To date, in this financial year the Board has not allocated any of its \$15,000 Discretionary Funding.
10. The Board has yet to set its individual objectives but these requests for funding do reflect some of the intent of the Joint Banks Peninsula Objectives in fostering community initiatives, and could relate to *enhancing the culture, heritage and identity of Banks Peninsula communities through its built, natural and working environments*. The requests do not equate specifically to any of the Board Activities or Milestones under the Joint Objectives.

11. The requests could also be considered to link to some of Council's Strategic Directions by *helping communities to meet their needs* and by *celebrating and promoting Christchurch's identity, cultures and diversity*.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve the following grants from its Discretionary Funding:

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| 1. | Purchase of Ikoraki Etchings | \$800.00 |
| 2. | Presentation to G. Carson    | \$231.00 |