

5. KEEP NEW ZEALAND BEAUTIFUL CONFERENCE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of the report is for the board to decide whether or not it wants to approve funding for a board member to attend the 40th Anniversary Conference and Annual General Meeting of Keep New Zealand Beautiful in Waitakere City from 21 to 23 September 2007.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Board's representative on the Keep Christchurch Beautiful Committee is Bill Bush.
3. The Committee is a voluntary organisation, which aims to promote a cleaner, more beautiful environment within Christchurch, and to raise the level of awareness of what the individual can do to improve his or her community and reduce litter. Notice of the national conference has been received. Christchurch has a member on the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Board. The Board is celebrating the 40th anniversary conference and Annual General Meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The Christchurch City Council provided financial support in the 2007/08 of \$10,000 to Keep Christchurch Beautiful. The cost for one member to attend would be approximately \$850, which would be met from the Board's operational budget for 2007/08. This would cover airfares, accommodation for two nights and conference registration.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

5. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

6. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

7. Yes

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

8. Yes, Page 61 of the LTCCP, Strategic direction, Healthy Environment.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

9. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board decide whether or not to approve funding for a board member to attend the Keep New Zealand Beautiful Conference in Waitakere City from 21 to 23 September 2007.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That in view of the recent tragedy and the short timeframe involved, this Board declines to attend this conference.