

12. NEW ZEALAND LOCAL BOARDS AND COMMUNITY BOARDS CONFERENCE 2011 – BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDANCE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for a number of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board members to attend the 2011 New Zealand Local Boards and Community Boards Conference in Rotorua on 5 to 7 May 2011.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The conference is being held in Rotorua from Thursday 5 to Saturday 7 May 2011. The theme for the conference is 'Communities on Board – The Changing Face of Community Governance' and will reflect on Boards' relationships, communications and advocacy with their communities, as well as considering the implications of the establishment of Auckland's 'super city' on communities throughout New Zealand Boards. More information is **attached**.
3. The programme includes key-note speakers and inter-active workshops hosted by experts, and the presentation of the Best Practice Awards in recognition of community board projects and initiatives which have made a difference.
4. On 22 September 2010, the Board decided that the Matariki at the Marae event be approved as a Burwood/Pegasus and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Boards' Best Practice Awards joint entry at the 2011 New Zealand Community Boards' Conference. This entry is currently under preparation for consideration at the conference.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The conference registration cost for each appointed delegate is \$591 exclusive of GST, noting this is the earlybird rate until close of business on 4 March 2011. The standard registration from 4 March 2011 will be \$676 excluding of GST. In addition, accommodation and airfare costs will be in the order of approximately \$350 and \$300 respectively, per person.
6. The Board's 2010/11 remaining operational budget of \$3,567 has conference and training funding available.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

7. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

8. There are no direct legal implications involved. A Community Board resolution is required for expenditure for attendance of Board members at conferences.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

9. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. Not applicable.

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Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board give consideration to approving the attendance of a number of Board members to the 2011 New Zealand Local Boards and Community Boards Conference in Rotorua from 5 to 7 May 2011.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Board consider approving up to two Board members to attend the 2011 New Zealand Local Boards and Community Boards Conference in Rotorua from 5 to 7 May 2011.