

13. GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW TERM

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek consideration and adoption of a revised governance structure for the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board based on discussions with the Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has previously operated with two Standing Committees: the Works, Traffic and Environment Committee and the Community Services Committee. Additionally the Board has maintained two Board meetings per month, one for main items of business and to receive the recommendations of the two Committees and the other to act as a minute confirmation meeting as well as enabling Part A items or other urgent business to be considered and progressed quickly. Following discussion with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Board and mindful of the proposed governance structure for the new Council, it is proposed to replace the Community Services Committee with a Community Finance and Planning Committee.
3. The terms of reference for each of these Committees would be as follows:

Community Finance and Planning Committee

- The consideration of community development and social issues to inform Community Board funding and decision making.
- The focus for supporting local community organisations to deliver their services for the overall betterment of the community.
- The consideration of matters relevant to the Council's annual/long term planning process, including the preparation of submissions to the Council.
- Overall planning for consultation with key stakeholders in the community.
- Ongoing recommendations to the Board for the allocation of the Discretionary Grants Funding and Strengthening Communities grants.

Works Traffic and Environment Committee

- The consideration of traffic-related safety issues referred by the Board and/or the recommendation of solutions to the Board.
- The consideration of roading and streetscape designs associated with roading projects and improvements.
- The consideration of parks, waterways and environmental-related matters.

4. The Council has yet to determine its meeting schedule for 2011. However it is expected that this will take place at its meeting on 7 December 2010. An appropriate schedule for this Board's meeting dates for 2011 will be submitted to the final Board meeting of the year.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

5. Provision is made in the 2009 – 19 LTCCP on page 156 for the elected member representation and governance support.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

6. Clause 30 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that community boards may appoint committees that it considers appropriate and clause 32 (3) of the same schedule provides for community boards to delegate powers to a committee.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

7. Page 156 of the LTCCP level of service under democracy and governance.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

8. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

9. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

- (a) Consider altering its governance structure to include two standing committees: Community Finance and Planning and Works, Traffic and Environment comprising all Board members, and
- (b) Confirm the chairperson and deputy chairperson of these committees.