10. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board to consider applications to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board Neighbourhood Week 2010 Fund, allocate funds accordingly, and set in place a process should any late applications need to be considered.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Local community groups, including residents' associations and neighbourhood support groups have been sent information inviting them to apply for Neighbourhood Week Funding. Information has also been released to the wider community.

3. Neighbourhood Week is a dedicated week in which individuals and groups are encouraged to get together to know one another locally. Neighbourhood Week 2010 is to be held from 30 October to 7 November 2010. Applications for funding close on 3 September 2010.

4. A seminar with Board members was held on 19 August 2009, to discuss and establish local guidelines to assist in decision making. This included confirming barbeque food, skip hire and dumping fees as appropriate for funding, while transport and entertainment such as music and bouncy castles as not considered appropriate. This is in addition to the general guidelines shown in **Attachment 1**.

5. A matrix outlining applications and staff recommendations will be circulated to Board members separately prior to the meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The Board has allocated $3,500 from the 2010/11 Strengthening Communities Fund to assist individuals and groups to run events. It is not the intention of this funding to totally fund events. Those applying for funding are expected to partially resource events themselves either financially or through the supply of materials.

7. In some previous years where demand for Neighbourhood Week funding has exceeded the funds sets aside, or late applications have been received, the Board has allocated additional funds out of the Board's Discretionary Funding. Should this be the case, the Board may wish to allocate a set amount of its Discretionary Funding as a contingency towards the above situations, with the proviso that Discretionary Funding not required be returned.

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

8. Page 172 of the LTCCP under Community support- Strengthening communities and page 176 of the LTCCP under Community support - Community grants.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. Under Council Standing Order 2.10 (Powers of Delegation), a subcommittee may be appointed and given the power to act.

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

10. Page 172 of the LTCCP under Community support- Strengthening communities and page 176 of the LTCCP under Community support- Community grants.

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?

11. Yes, see paragraph 10.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

12. Funding for Neighbourhood Week activities aligns with the Council's Strong Communities strategic outcomes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board:

(a) Consider the applications as set out in the circulated matrix and allocate Neighbourhood Week funds accordingly.

(b) Consider allocating a set contingency amount from the Board's 2010/2011 Discretionary Response Fund should the applications for Neighbourhood Week funding exceed the funds set aside, or late applications have been received.

(c) Assign delegated authority to the Board Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson to consider any late applications and allocate funding, should any funds remain, before 8 October 2010.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.