


7. BOARD MEMBERS' EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

7.1 LAKE FORSYTH OPENING



A memorandum from the Senior Contracts Manager for Land Drainage regarding the opening of Lake Forsyth had been circulated to Board members. Members noted that the lake appeared to be in a better condition than it had been in previous years because of the opening regime this year, whereby staff had attempted to reduce the level of the lake, without emptying it.

The members noted their appreciation that the memorandum had been circulated to them and asked that the Board continue to be kept informed of events surrounding the lake opening in future.

7.2 LE RACE

Members expressed some concern at the length of time for some of the proposed road closures for Le Race. They felt the extent of the closures would result in further inconvenience to residents and the general public wanting to use those roads. There was also concern that the Traffic Management Plan had not been referred back to the Board, as had been requested, and the local Police had not been kept informed of contingency plans.

7.3 AKAROA RECREATION GROUND – EMERGENCY ACCESS

A request was tabled from the Akaroa & Bays Lions Club asking the Council to mark the accessway to the Akaroa Recreation Ground as “No Parking” or “Keep Clear at All Times”. The request had been made to ensure that when emergency services, such as the ambulance or fire engine, required access it would always be available. It was noted that the ambulance often required access to the ground to transfer patients to the Rescue Helicopter.

The Board supported this request and asked that it be passed to staff for action.

7.4 COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISORY COMMITTEES – HONORARIUMS

It was questioned whether the Board was able to annually allocate some of its Discretionary Funding as honorariums for the professional members of the two Advisory Committees. Currently these members gave their time freely and also did not receive any mileage reimbursement for their travel from Christchurch.

The Akaroa Service Centre Manager undertook to make enquiries to ascertain if this was possible under Council policy.