

**13. 1999 NATIONAL COMMUNITY BOARD CONFERENCE**

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The purpose of this report is to ask the Board to reconsider its resolution passed at the Board's 2 February 1999 meeting, when the Board resolved:

*“That the Chairperson and Sonia Gill be appointed as the Board's representatives to attend the Conference, and the cost of the Board delegates be funded from the Board's Discretionary Fund.”*

This matter was raised at the most recent Chairpersons and Community Advocates Forum, and comparisons with other Boards' attendance made. Only one other Board is sending two delegates, one Board is sending four, with the average number of delegates representing a particular Community Board being three.

Investigations are currently being undertaken as to the cheapest mode of travel (ie rental car, ferry, flights via alternative destinations).

Taking the above information into consideration, together with the fact that the National Community Board Conference is only held every three years, the Board is asked to reconsider its previous decision, and support the attendance of an additional Board member at the Conference. It is suggested that Phil Clearwater, as Chairperson of the Board's Community Affairs Committee, attend the Conference.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the resolution of the Board dated 2 February 1999 be rescinded.
  2. That the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and a third Board member attend the National Community Board Conference.
  3. That the cost of members' attendance be met from:
    - (a) Conferences code
    - (b) Travel allowance code
    - (c) Balance to be met from the Board's Discretionary Fund.
  4. That Phil Clearwater be the third representative of the Board to attend the Conference.