

**19. SPREYDON-HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD 1998/99
OBJECTIVES - 6 MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT**

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The purpose of this report is to update Board members on the progress of projects which have received Board funding in the 1998/99 financial year.

All policy outcomes referred to relate to the Community Development and Social Well-Being Policy.

PROJECT FUNDS

1. RISINGHOLME COMMUNITY CENTRE - \$5,000 (OBJECTIVE #6,8)

Funding was allocated for renovations at Risingholme Community Centre. The total cost of these renovations far exceeds \$5,000, hence these funds are being held in a separate bank account until further funding is obtained. The Property Unit is currently considering this project in its 1999/2000 budget allocations. The renovations would be ready to start in June/July 1999 if the Property Unit provides the required funding.

The project contributes to Policy outcomes by creating equitable access opportunities and community resources.

2. RECREATION FACILITATOR, COMMUNITY CENTRES - \$6,000 (OBJECTIVE #6,7,8)

Funding was allocated for initiatives promoting the usage of Council owned community centres in the Spreydon-Heathcote area. An independent researcher, Shelley Kennedy has been appointed to carry out this project, which is due for completion in late June. Progress reports will be provided at subsequent Board meetings. The Leisure Unit has the intention of doing similar projects around the city, hence this project may act as a model for further Community Centre research.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by creating equitable access to opportunities and community resources, raising self esteem of participants, and participation and sense of communities.

3. RECREATION WORKER, PIONEER STADIUM - \$7,500 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

This is a continuation of a partnership between the Board and Pioneer Stadium. This project started in March 1999, with an Applied Recreation Polytech student, Kane Maxwell, employed on a six month work experience placement. In the past this position has targeted 7-13 year olds and worked on projects and programmes offering recreation opportunities at the Stadium.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by enhancing participation and sense of belonging in communities and development of local community identities and pride.

4. KINGDOM RESOURCES - \$20,000 (OBJECTIVES #5,6,7,8)

Funding was allocated for the Careers Plus programme, a community employment service offering a 1-on-1 service to help long term unemployed into employment. This funding has allowed the Careers Plus programme to become more professional and efficient, whilst keeping the personal and caring ethics.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes improving the position of the least advantaged and raising self esteem of participants.

5. LOCAL COMMUNITY GATHERING EVENTS - \$6,000 (OBJECTIVE #6,8)

The funding allocated to “Local community gathering events” was dispersed as follows:

(a) *Waltham Pool Community Day - \$2,000*

This funding was allocated to the Waltham Pool Sweet Suburbia event, part of the Summertimes festival. This event was scheduled for 31 January 1999 but had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Funding of \$1,500 remains unspent.

(b) *Addington Neighbourhood, Community Fun Day - \$1,000*

These funds were allocated to Manuka Cottage to fund two community fun days which were held on 7 November 1998 and 12 March 1999. Both events were well attended by the local community and provided opportunities for community groups to fundraise and network with each other, and generally enhance community spirit. Organisers commented that the \$1,000 funding was insufficient to cover the total cost of these community fun days.

(c) *Pioneer Leisure Centre Opening - \$3,000*

This event is scheduled for May 1999, with a number of local community organisations to receive invitations. See deputations.

These projects contribute to Policy outcomes by enhancing participation and a sense of belonging in communities, and developing local community identities and pride.

6. FUNDING LOCAL PROJECTS - HEALTH, EDUCATION, & SAFETY FROM CRIME - \$30,000 (OBJECTIVES #5,6,7,8)

This funding was dispersed to two different projects.

(a) Royal NZ Plunket Society - Children at Risk Community Development Project - \$27,710 (see clause no 9).

(b) Parenting programmes for local primary schools - \$2,290

Eight different schools received funds from this project. Examples of parenting programmes undertaken include: Mathers Road Kindergarten purchased parenting skills books as key resource material for their existing parenting programmes; Addington Playgroup are currently running a Positively Angry Course for Women.

These projects contributed to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, and enhancing self determination and empowerment.

7. COMMUNITY INITIATIVES, EDUCATION - \$3,000 (OBJECTIVES #6,7)

All of these funds were allocated to the Royal NZ Plunket Society Children at Risk Community Development Project (see clause no 9). Please note that \$1,000 was also allocated to this project from Board Discretionary Funds.

These projects contributed to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, and enhancing self determination and empowerment.

8. CHILDREN & YOUTH OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMMES - \$25,000 (OBJECTIVES #5,6)

Funds of \$11,836 have been dispersed from this fund thus far as follows:

- \$7,521 to Kidsfun at Rowley School. This funding has allowed Rowley Kidsfun to run during Terms 3 and 4 1998 and Terms 1 and 2 1999. This popular programme is run one day per week, attracting an average of 37 children per session. The children attending the programme have the opportunity to experience recreation opportunities they may not otherwise have access to.
- \$4,315 to WOOSH for Term 1 1999. This enabled a much needed community service to continue. WOOSH is run every day of the week, attracting up to 20 children per day.

These projects contributed to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources, and developing local community identities and pride.

9. SCHOOL TRANSPORT FUND - \$3,000 (OBJECTIVES #6,7)

These funds were allocated to Rowley School, enabling them to make trips out of the local area and provide the children with experiences they would otherwise not be able to afford. Some of these trips included:

- Cave Rock
- Lyttelton Heads
- The Pier
- Spencer Park
- Corsair Bay
- Town Hall (concert)
- Lyttelton
- Halswell Quarry

The cost of each bus trip was approximately \$130, with 23 trips being made, totaling \$2,990.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

10. HOON HAY YOUTH CENTRE, OPERATING GRANT - \$10,000 (OBJECTIVES #5,6,8)

This funding was allocated to cover operating expenses of the Youth Centre including rent, rates, etc. The Youth Centre continues to provide an invaluable community service, and provides the following activities/programmes for local youth:

- Boys and girls clubs focusing on high priority “youth at risk”
- Touch rugby and basketball modules
- Learning Centre - open 25 hours per week, has established “satellite school” relationship with Hillmorton High School
- Drop in centre
- Day outings - once per week
- Outreach Youth work - intensive one-on-one work with high risk youth.

Without this grant the Hoon Hay Youth Centre would have no base.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources, and improving the position of the least advantaged.

11. ROWLEY RESOURCE CENTRE, OPERATING GRANT - \$8,500 (OBJECTIVES #5,6,7,8)

This funding was allocated to cover operating expenses of the Resource Centre including rent, rates etc. The Resource Centre provides a wide range of services for Rowley residents, including:

- Drop in centre - open 10am to 3pm daily, providing information, phone, photocopying, clothes recycling, library and kids playroom
- Vegetable co-operative
- Adult education courses - focusing on self esteem and self development skills
- Community outings.

The Rowley Resource Centre could not operate without this grant.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources, and improving the position of the least advantaged.

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

12. DARE (DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION) - \$3,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6,7)

Funding was allocated in May 1998 to assist 5 local teaching staff to attend the 1998 Telecom DARE Conference in Wanganui. The local DARE Committee now has a nucleus of motivated and trained teachers

to implement DARE programmes in local schools. Programmes are currently running in the following local schools: Opawa, St Martins, Waltham, Rudolf Steiner, and Christchurch South.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

13. HILLMORTON HIGH SCHOOL LIGHTING - \$1,900 (OBJECTIVE #5,7)

Funding was allocated in September 1998 for the installation of lighting in the school car park and where wananga access-way. The result has been a well-lit car park and accessway, making everyone using the school at night feel much safer.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

14. HARGEST CRESCENT KINDERGARTEN - \$1,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

Funding was allocated in July 1998 to erect an adaptable shade cover over the Kindergarten sandpit. Children are now protected from harmful UV rays in the sandpit area, and the total covered play area has been extended at the Kindergarten.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged.

15. BARNARDOS, OPAWA EARLY LEARNING CENTRE - \$3,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

Funding was allocated in July 1998 to totally redevelop the sandpit area. This play area now meets Ministry of Education Standards, provides easier access for all children, and is generally more safe and attractive for the children to use.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged.

16. SYDENHAM COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL - \$3,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

\$3,000 was allocated in July 1998 for the construction of a new playground. The children now have far better play facilities and staff spend much less time setting up equipment. This new playground adheres to the required safety standards.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, and providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

17. HOON HAY FREE KINDERGARTEN - \$1,500 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

These funds were allocated in July 1998 for the construction of shadecover for an outside play area. This shaded shelter provides protection from the weather in both summer and winter, and as a

permanent structure is less subject to vandalism, saving costs to the Kindergarten in the long term.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by improving the position of the least advantaged, and providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

18. HOON HAY YOUTH CENTRE REVIEW - \$2,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6)

Funding was allocated in December 1998 to appoint an independent researcher to undertake a review of the Youth Centre. Stephanie Kelly and Suzanne Phibbs have been appointed to complete this task, which will be completed by May 1999.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by enhancing participation in personal and political decision making.

19. PARENTING WITH CONFIDENCE - \$1,000 (OBJECTIVE #5,6,7)

\$1,000 was allocated in August 1998 to run a second Parenting Skills Seminar in May 1999. A further \$1,000 was earmarked to underwrite this seminar if Parenting with Confidence was unable to raise sufficient sponsorship. Funds totalling \$3,259 have since been raised, and planning is well under way for the May seminar.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

20. LANDSDOWNE COMMUNITY CENTRE, CLEANERS WAGES - \$2,000 (OBJECTIVE #7,8)

\$2,000 was allocated in April 1998 to finance a part time cleaner for this Community Centre. This has allowed the Management Committee to maintain "community rates" rather than "market rates" for the hiring of Landsdowne Community Centre.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources.

21. ORGANIC GARDEN CITY TRUST - \$1,000 (OBJECTIVE #3,6,7)

Funding was allocated in September 1998 for the "Kids Edible Gardens" pilot project, involving five local schools in the Spreydon-Heathcote area. Gardens are now well established in all five schools, and two more schools in the area will develop edible gardens in the coming year. This project gives children the opportunity to grow and maintain their own vegetable garden, an important life skill they might otherwise not learn.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by providing equitable access to opportunities and community resources, and by improving the position of the least advantaged.

22. SUMMERTIMES SWEET SUBURBIA EVENTS - \$6,500 (OBJECTIVES #6,8)

See Community Activities Update report.

This project contributes to Policy outcomes by enhancing participation and a sense of belonging in communities, and by developing local community identities and pride.

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Recommendation: That this report be received and approved.