

**STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

**MONDAY 12 APRIL 1999
AT 3.00PM**

17. ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES FROM KOSOVO

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The Chairman reports:

Councillor Harrow has suggested that the City Council should show some leadership in providing assistance for the refugees, as follows:

1. The Council could offer to collect donations from the public at Council offices, service centres and libraries.
2. Elected members could give a lead to the public by making donations themselves. Staff could also be given the opportunity to contribute.
3. The Council could offer to assist appropriate organisations to find accommodation for refugees. The New Zealand Government has decided that our country should provide a haven for about 600 Kosovars until they are able to return to their homeland.

Advice will be sought from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and from organisations with relevant experience, before the Committee meets.

Chairman's

Recommendation: For favourable consideration.