5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 SUMNER SWIMMING CLUB

The following letter, seeking funding of \$1,440.00 in support of the employment by the Club of a paid lifeguard at the Sumner swimming pool for the present summer season, has been received from Mr Morten Gjerde, the President of the Sumner Swimming Club:

"I am writing to ask you and the Board to consider making funds available to the Sumner Swimming Club for the 1998-99 swimming season for the purposes of employing a lifeguard at the pool.

We were fortunate enough to have received a grant of \$1,440.00 last year for the same purpose. The particulars of this application remain the same as the one made last year. We have opened for business for the season and are pleased to report that Natalie Smith, a nineteen year old polytech student, is acting as lifeguard during the weekend and holiday public swimming sessions. Our season lasts through to early April and the number of days she will be on duty is 72. She is on duty two hours each day and is being paid \$10.00 per hour. We therefore expect to pay the lifeguard a total of \$1,440.00 this year. We would be grateful if the Board would again pay for this service that we are providing to the Sumner community. We have had many favourable comments about our safety programme which also includes other measures.

Should you require any additional information in considering this proposal such as our balance sheet for the last financial year please contact the undersigned. We would also be pleased to address the Board and answer any specific questions in person. Thank you for your consideration of this request."

Chairman's

Recommendation: For discussion

5.2 SUMNER RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The following letter, seeking funding of \$710 in support of placing a memorial plaque to the late Stan Rule on the Boer War Memorial stone fountain, near Cave Rock, Sumner.

"The Sumner Residents Association wish to apply for funds to assist in placing a memorial plaque to the late Stan Rule on the Boer War Memorial stone fountain, near Cave Rock, Sumner.

In 1994 the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approved placing a plaque to Mr Rule on this site. In 1994 also Mr Rule's family agreed it was a "marvellous idea".

We have recently received quotes from Decra Art Ltd for a granite inscribed plaque for \$520+GST, and from stonemason, Mr Barry van Uden, for installation for \$125 (GST incl.). A total of \$710.

The Sumner Residents Association are able to contribute \$200 towards the cost.

Stan Rule lived all his life in the Sumner-Redcliffs area. He gave so much to the community, particularly through his longstanding work with the Sumner Volunteer Fire Brigade and the Sumner-Redcliffs Historical Society, that such a memorial is very fitting. The inscription is to red "Stan Rule QSM, 1924 – 1994, Son of Sumner".

The Association would very much appreciate the Community Board granting the necessary additional funds to support this worthwhile project.

For your information, I have attached a copy of the Association's current financial summary."

Chairman's

Recommendations: For discussion