8. KULCHA TRUST PETITIONS

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Corporate Plan Output: Community Activities	

The purpose of this report is to outline the status of petitions presented to the November 1998 meeting of the Community Board by Kulcha Trust.

Skateboard Ramp

The petitioners requested a skateboard ramp in MacFarlane Park. At present a temporary skateboard facility is being trialled in St Albans Park. On completion of that trial (in February) the Board will then be asked to consider, at the March Board meeting, what to do with the temporary structure. One possibility is to relocate it to MacFarlane Park on a trial basis.

Youth Activities Centre

The petitioners have requested a Youth Centre for the Emmett Street/Acheson Avenue area. As Board members will be aware, negotiations are presently being undertaken with Plunket regarding the future use of the Plunket Rooms at MacFarlane Park. There is also a suggestion that the Shirley area be the next area in the Board's jurisdiction for which a community needs analysis be undertaken. It would be inappropriate to construct a youth activities centre without a thorough needs analysis of the area and an assessment of current facilities and their usage.

Mural

The petitioners are requesting a mural for the toilet block in MacFarlane Park. Plans are presently in hand for such a mural and we are awaiting some design work to be forwarded by Kulcha Trust to the Area Parks Officer.

Monthly Trust Report

Copies of the Kulcha Trust's reports, as requested earlier by the Board, have been forwarded to members under separate cover.

Recommendation: 1. That, pending the outcome of the trial of the skateboard ramp at St Albans Park, the Shirley/Papanui Community Board consider the possibility of re-locating the temporary skateboard ramp to MacFarlane Park on a trial basis.

- 2. That a community needs analysis of the Shirley area be conducted.
- 3. That the Area Parks Officer pursue a mural to be painted on the MacFarlane Park toilets, provided that an appropriate design is forwarded from Kulcha Trust.

Chairperson's

- **Recommendation:** 1. That the officer's recommendation be adopted and that the Shirley Board members meet with all the groups in the area and co-opt others to work with them.
 - 2. That staff report back on timing for a needs analysis for the Shirley/Mairehau area.