

23. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

- 23.1 A resumé of the Board's 1998/99 discretionary expenditure to date is attached for information (*see page 101*).
- 23.2 For members information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached (*see page 103*).
- 23.3 Attached for members information is a schedule of Board, Subcommittee, and Working Party meetings to be held during 1999 (*see page 105*).

23.4 PARKLANDS OUT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Board members are advised that the Parklands Out of School Care Committee is intending to commence its service at Parkview School, Parklands, in Term Two, 1999. An enthusiastic committee of eight local parents, has been formed with many enquiries from Parklands parents to have children attend the programme. The Committee estimate that up to 30 children will attend each daily session. A seeding grant of \$2,000 from the Board's Out of School Project Vote has been allocated to assist the Committee with resources and operating costs.

23.5 1998 COMMUNITY FAIR

The Burwood Community Fair Committee co-ordinator Deryn Tregurtha has advised that the 1998 Community Fair raised \$,9000, which was a 20% increase on the previous years effort. The staging costs were approximately \$660. The committee expresses its appreciation of a \$500 grant made from the Board Community Response Fund to assist with promotion/advertising and sound system.

23.7 APPROVED PROVIDERS STUDY

During the last term of the Board the Community Development Advisor was requested to prepare a report identifying organisations providing local community activities and support services in the greater Wainoni/Aranui area. A report has been presented to the Board that identified organisations providing an extensive range of services and also advising that it was becoming increasingly difficult to obtain funding to assist community initiatives, particularly those seeking operational funding, once their establishment phase was achieved. It was acknowledged that seeding funds for new projects were generally more easily obtainable.

To progress this matter discussions have been held with a number of professionals and organisations with acknowledgement of similar concerns elsewhere. Preliminary information shows that such concerns are wide spread with Government agencies establishing working parties to consider similar processes.

The information gathered has been discussed with the staff Community Development Project Team. The Project Team has the task of providing a professional overview of the Council's community developmental practises. The Board's proposed project is likely to run parallel with a number of tasks the Team is currently considering and it is intended that both the Board and Project Team's tasks be programmed and completed together the timing for which is July/August 1999. The benefits will be a more in-depth study as well as a co-ordinated approach with a recommendation that will likely propose a city-wide strategy and common guidelines for support services in local communities.

23.8 BOARD REPRESENTATION

With the temporary absence of Councillor Gail Sheriff from the Community Board as a Council appointee, the issue of continuing Board representation on community groups and Board Working Parties needs to be addressed where these have been delegated to Councillor Sheriff. These are:

Burwood/Pegasus Funding Assessment Committee
Sale of Liquor Act Working Party

And to represent the Board on the:

Northshore Residents' Group
Waitikiri Residents' Group
North New Brighton Residents' Association

23.9 HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

A report on the Queenspark Nippers, Parklands Pandemonium and Wainoni/Aranui Funny Bones holiday programmes are attached for information (*see page 107*).

23.10 NORTH NEW BRIGHTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

In order to progress the investigation into the future use of the North New Brighton Community Centre it is recommended that a Special Working Party of Board and Advocacy Team members be established. The role of the Working Party would be to consider information currently being gathered in respect of suitable alternative venues that may be available for community activities and to then report the findings back to the Board.

23.11 WARD BOUNDARIES SUBMISSION

Attached (*see page 121*) is the Board's submission to the Review of Wards and Community Board Boundaries and Council Elections. The Chairperson also made a verbal submission to the Commissioners on Wednesday 21 April 1999.

23.12 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

A tour of the Bromley Wastewater Treatment Plant will take place on Saturday 8 May 1999 to provide elected members with an overview of the Plant's current operations. Staff felt this would be of value in light of proposals to upgrade the plant.

23.13 MAINSTREET NEW BRIGHTON

With the financial support given by the Board to Mainstreet New Brighton it would now be appropriate to formalise the Board's representation.

Chairperson's

Recommendation:

1. That the information be received.
2. That Board members be appointed to the North New Brighton Community Centre Special Working Party.
3. That Councillor James and the Community Advocate represent the Board on Mainstreet New Brighton.