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Corporate Plan Output: Grants	

The purpose of this report is to advise of the decisions and recommendations from the meeting of the subcommittee held on Tuesday 21 September 1999.

(A) EVENTS SEEDING GRANTS

The subcommittee has provided grants for events as follows:

(i) Multisport Endurance Race: March 2000

A one-off grant of \$3,000 in 1999/2000, subject to confirmation that the event is proceeding.

(ii) Fifth International Conference on Diabetes and Indigenous Peoples: 3-6 October 2000

A grant of \$8,000 was provided from the 1999/2000 budget.

(iii) International Congress of Plant Pathology: 2-8 February 2003

A loan of \$10,000 was provided from the events seeding fund for 1999/2000. It was resolved to recommend that the Council funding be provided from the proposed conference loan fund in subsequent years as follows: \$30,000 year 2 to June 2001, and \$20,000 year 3 to June 2002.

(iv) International Secondary Schools Sports Festival: July 2001

A grant of \$3,000 was provided from the events seeding fund.

(v) World Sheep and Wool Congress: 11-15 November 2001

A loan of \$5,000 was provided from the events seeding fund for 2000/01, to be repaid when registrations are received.

(vi) Music in the Park: Orton Bradley Park

A request for funding was declined. The Board has been advised that the purpose of the fund is to assist events to become established. This event is now established and should be included by the Board in the annual major grants applications.

(B) FERRYMEAD HISTORIC PARK

It was resolved that the Ferrymead Historic Park be granted approval to use the \$25,000 as outlined in the report, i.e. \$10,000 each to the Easter and Labour weekend events and \$5,000 for the re-thatching of the cob cottage.

(C) TE WAIPOUNAMU SMOKEFREE MAORI NETBALL: OCTOBER 1999

It was resolved that the Council support this event with \$1,000 from the community sport fund.

(D) DISABLED PERSONS' CENTRE TRUST

The Council has financed a report for the Disabled Persons' Centre Trust on the assessment of its buildings and development options. The Trust had written expressing disappointment that its application for a grant of a low interest loan had not been successful. The Trust had refinanced its loans for a further term of one year and was seeking some indication from the Council that it may be in a position at the end of this term to assist with payment of the loan. It was agreed that the Trust be advised that the Council has capped its grants funds at the 1999 level and that it is unlikely that a grant will be available to the Trust next year. A low interest loan may be possible to replace the existing loan. However, the Council's resources would not extend to financing the new development.

(E) SCIENCE CENTRE

The subcommittee will meet with representatives of the Science Centre on Wednesday 20 October to discuss the content of a report from Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu.

(F) INTERNATIONAL CELLO COMPETITION

The organisers of the competition have been advised to apply for a grant from the events seeding fund.

(G) GRANTS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE - STRUCTURE

The Senior Facilities Manager has reported separately on a proposal that two assessment committees be established in future, one to consider grants from the Hillary Commission funds and the other for community development grants.

The subcommittee supports the proposal.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the information be received.