

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 HERITAGE BUILDINGS – CATHEDRAL SQUARE

The following letter has been received from Sue Stagg, Chairperson of the Avon Loop Planning Association.

“Re: Save our Square’s Heritage Buildings

We wish to give our support to the New Zealand Historic Places Trust in their endeavour to retain the Star, Lyttelton Times and Warners Hotel buildings in the Square. Ours is only a young country and we should be doing all we can to retain our historic buildings.”

Chairperson’s

Recommendation:

1. That the information be received
2. That the letter be forwarded to Environmental Policy and Planning.

5.2 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TRUST

The following letter seeking funding has been received from Mr Sam Farr, Chairman of the Educational Services Trust Inc.

“I write to you asking if you would submit the enclosed Application Form for the Year 2000 Project Fund for consideration by the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board, or alternatively for the Discretionary Fund, whichever you consider to be the correct one for the purpose we are seeking funding assistance for.

I enclose a folder showing the commencement of the project. It sets out the original aims and objects. Since then the building has been donated to the Trust by the Ferrymead Lions Club Inc who are raising funds to refurbish the building as described in the enclosed document.

I am willing to attend the Board meeting on the 1st September at a time to be advised by you if you consider this to be the correct procedure.

Enclosed with the folder is a planned budget for fundraising and running costs when the building is completed.

I trust you will view the application as a suitable project for consideration and await your advice.”

The applicant is seeking funding to refurbish the former Ferrymead Historic Park administration building for use as an accommodation block for out of town schools visiting Ferrymead Historic Park on educational visits.

The Year 2000 Project Fund application from the Trust is attached, as is the proposed budget for this project and a detailed submission in support of this application.

Chairman's

Recommendation: For discussion taking into account the earlier suggestion that this request be referred to the Year 2000 Fund.

5.3 WOOLSTON COMMUNITY CHILD CARE CENTRE – PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

The Woolston Community Child Care Centre has written seeking funding of \$1,000 towards the preparation of a landscape plan as follows:

“Woolston Community Child Care Centre wish to seek support from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board to assist with our playground upgrade.

It is proposed that we have a landscape plan prepared which covers a five year period and we have been quoted a figure of \$1,500, (a copy of the quote is attached).

Unfortunately we are not in a financial position to pay for all of the fee but would seek support from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board of \$1,000 towards the preparation of this plan. We also enclose a copy of our financial statement for your perusal.

We are also actively seeking support from the Woolston area local businesses.

We need to submit the landscape plan to the Westpac Trust Board by 20 September 1999, to apply for funding from them. It is in our best interest to have the plan submitted as it shows the Westpac Trust Board that we are intending to work on this project over a period of time and that funding may be more readily available than without the plan.

We would be grateful if the Hagley/Ferrymead Board would forward their decision in relation to funding at the earliest convenience in order that we may instruct our landscape architect to commence work to endeavour to have the plan completed and filed with our funding application.

We ask that if possible the Hagley/Ferrymead Board consider our cause in the future when allocating funds as we are very keen to commence work on our playground as soon as funding allows us to do so.

Thank you for your time. We look forward to receiving your reply in due course.”

Officer's

Recommendation: That the Board give consideration from its Discretionary Fund for this request of \$1,000.

Chairman's

Recommendation:

5.4 CHRISTCHURCH CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CAMPS TRUST

The following letter has been received from Mr W B Sykes, Secretary/Treasurer of the Christchurch Children's Holiday Camps Trust, seeking the Board's support by way of funding in the coming year.

"We are writing to respectfully remind you of the work of our Trust and to once again seek your support.

Past generosity has helped our Trustees to continue our sponsorship of Christchurch children. Last year we sponsored almost 700 children to a camping holiday.

This help has enabled these children, the victims of marriage break-up, serious parental illness, family bereavement or financial crisis to have a holiday. For many it was their first ever holiday away from home.

Since 1976 the Christchurch Children's Holiday Camps trust has been helping these young children by sponsoring them to a week's camping holiday and, as a result was in 1997, a recipient of the Christchurch City council Civic Award for Services to the Community.

This year the Trustees have resolved to attempt to sponsor 700 children but you will note from our Annual Report and Financial Statement that last year we actually spent more than we received in donations.

We are once again therefore, asking those who have supported us in the past if they are in a position to help out again. What we can be sure of is that the need is not getting any less, and in some cases is actually becoming greater.

We should perhaps stress that we do not run any camps of our own, but instead use only those 'professional' camping organisations we have approved. In this day and age we feel it is important that children should only go to camps we are entirely happy to be associated with. Each of the camping organisations is evaluated in accordance with our criteria and supplies a report to us after each camp. We believe this approach to be in the best interests of all parties involved.

Once again we respectfully request that you consider continuing to support our Trust and thank you in advance for doing so."

The annual report and accounts of the Christchurch Children's Holiday Camps Trust are attached.

Officer's

Recommendation: The Board did not support the Trust last year.

Chairman's

Recommendation: For discussion.

5.5 SUPPORT FOR OCTOBER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The following letter has been received from Charmaine Hubbard, Acting Co-ordinator of the Phillipstown Community Centre seeking funding of \$800 for the October school holiday programme.

“This letter is to ask if the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board would consider supporting the October Holiday Programme to be run at the Phillipstown Community Centre.

There is a great need in this area to continue with holiday programmes, but because of the present lack of funding we are unable to meet the cost of the October holiday programme.

In the future, we will be approaching other funding providers for support for our holiday programmes, but the short time available between now and the October holidays means that it is too late at present to do this with any assurance of success.

The following financial support is sought from the Community Board:

<i>Salary costs for programme supervisor</i>	<i>\$600</i>
<i>Reimbursement of travelling costs of volunteers</i>	<i><u>200</u></i>
<i>Total funding sought</i>	<i>\$800</i>

The Community Centre charges \$4.00 per child, per day for attendance at the holiday programme. This charge covers the resources needed by way of arts and craft material. Sports equipment from the OSCAR programme will also be used and equipment from the Hagley/Ferrymead gear pool.

The sum of \$800 for the supervisor’s wages and for reimbursement of travelling costs to the volunteers is the total support requested from the Community Board.

Such support would make it possible for this programme to proceed at the Phillipstown Community Centre during the October school holiday break. The Community Centre and the Phillipstown community who are the beneficiaries of this programme would be very grateful to the Community Board for its active support in this way.”

Chairman’s

Recommendation: For discussion