

19. ADDINGTON COMMUNITY GARDENING PROJECT

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The purpose of this report is to recommend the Board allocate \$2,290 from its 1999/2000 Discretionary Fund as a seeding grant for the Addington Community Garden Project.

The guiding principle of this project is sustainable community development, described as:

- Community ownership of the project
- Opportunities for education and consciousness raising in a supportive environment
- Participation in a project which is meaningful and relevant to the local community

In practical terms, this group aims to produce fruit, vegetables and flowers for the use of those involved, and the Addington community. So far ten sites in the Addington area have been made available. This funding application differs slightly from that presented to the Board on 3 August 1999, but the amount remains unchanged (\$2,290). Although this group has saved some money through revised quotes and donated materials since the last Board meeting, there has also been recognition of the need to reimburse volunteers for transport expenses.

A revised budget is attached for information.

This project meets the following Board Objectives and Performance Indicators:

6 To promote a healthy community.

6.4 Identify, liaise with and support community initiatives which seek to enhance the physical and mental well-being of local people of all ages.

7 To promote community education.

7.1 Promote community education, in consultation with community groups such as community cottages.

8 To promote social cohesion in the Spreydon-Heathcote community.

8.1 Support neighbourhood strengthening initiatives such as the provision of and participation in community events, and the activities of residents groups and community cottages.

8.4 Identify, liaise with and support individuals and groups who serve and build the community.

Recommendation: That the Board allocate \$2,290 from its 1999/2000 Discretionary Fund as a seeding grant for the Addington Community Garden Project.