



9. BURWOOD/PEGASUS RECREATION, ARTS AND SPORT PLAN

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Community Board's support for the development of a three-year plan to inform the Board and staff of the recreation, arts and sports needs of Burwood/Pegasus residents and how best to meet them. This plan will be the first of six Community Board area recreation/art/sports plans. It is envisaged that, pending available funding, another two areas will be completed in the 2000/01 financial year, with the other three areas being completed in 2001/02.

BACKGROUND

Currently planning for recreation/arts/sports needs tends to be for a one-year duration, in line with Council's budget process. In addition, Units of Council with responsibility for this area (Leisure, Parks, Water Services, Environmental Planning and Policy) plan separately, requiring staff and Community Board members to often have knowledge of several plans or strategies.

A local recreation, arts and sports plan will give Community Board members and staff a comprehensive guide to the needs, current and future provision and financial allocations available for the recreation/arts/sport area. It will also assist the Board to make decisions regarding the allocation of Project funding, by providing a three-year plan for any Board funding required to ensure Burwood/Pegasus residents receive quality recreation/arts/sports facilities and programmes.

SCOPE OF THE PLAN

It is envisaged that the plan will cover parks, sports grounds, play equipment, youth recreation facilities such as skateboarding, recreation/arts programmes and advisory services, community events and relevant aspects of the Waterways and Wetlands Natural Asset Management Strategy. The Council's Recreation and Sport and Arts Policies and relevant Parks policies and their identified outcomes will be taken into account when developing the plan.

The plan will also identify other organisations already active or wishing to be active in the Burwood/Pegasus area (schools, community groups, local businesses, etc). Community organisations are key partners in ensuring the recreation/sports and arts needs of residents are met. This exercise will also enable the roles of all organisations in providing these services to be identified, clarified and coordinated.

Existing research (eg Youth Recreation Needs Study) and demographic profiles of the area will be examined and incorporated and the Burwood/Pegasus community will be consulted as to its needs.

The result will be a document that clearly outlines and prioritises how the Community Board, Council Units, community organisations, commercial leisure providers and schools are going to work together to best meet the recreation/arts/sports needs of the Burwood/Pegasus community.

PROCESS TO DEVELOP THE PLAN

The process to develop the plan will mirror the Recreation and Sport Strategy which is being developed at a metropolitan level by Christchurch City Council Leisure (but which will not provide Community Board level detail).

A steering group consisting of relevant staff, two Community Board representatives, one community organisation representative and one commercial sector representative will be established to oversee the development of the plan and to report back to the Community Board. The time commitment required will be to attend a monthly meeting to overview progress.

The process to develop the plan will be as follows:

Report to Community Board Report on brief, process, steering group composition.	
Recruit Steering Group Members Ensure balanced composition.	
Steering Group Review Process Review brief and proposed process. Familiarisation with Recreation and Sport, Arts, Parks and other relevant Policies.	
Generate clear picture of current CCC provision in and affecting Community Board area. Current outputs and standards, levels of customer satisfaction, links to policy, future budget projections.	
Analyse recreational trends and Community Board area demographics. Use citywide information on trends & supplement with relevant local data.	
Demand Assessment	Supply Assessment
Analyse existing information on needs/demand.	Analyse existing information on supply/provision
Identify major information gaps.	Identify major information gaps.
Carry out research if necessary.	Carry out research if necessary.
Supply & Demand Synthesis Identify current and future gaps in provision, identify key issues.	
Report to Community Board Findings from seeking community views. Gaps and key issues identified.	
Draft Goals of Plan	
Draft Plan including future CCC provision.	
Report to Community Board Approval of draft plan to seek community views.	
Seeking Community Views on Draft Plan	
Revise and finalise Plan	
Develop Action Plans	
Report to Community Board Approval of plan	

TIMEFRAME AND BUDGET

The Burwood/Pegasus Recreation, Arts and Sports Plan will be completed over a six-month period from July to December 2000, with results presented to the Community Board in January/February 2001.

It is envisaged that the work will be carried out by a consultant recreation planner, at an estimated cost of \$15,000. Both Christchurch City Council Leisure and the Parks Unit have \$5,000 to contribute to the cost of the research and the Board is requested to contribute \$5,000 from its 2000/01 Discretionary Funding to enable the work to be completed.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board support the development of a three-year Recreation, Arts and Sports Plan for its area.
 2. That the Board nominate two representatives to be on the steering group.
 3. That the Board contribute \$5,000 from its 2000/01 Discretionary Funding towards the costs of the development of the plan.

Chairperson's

- Recommendations:**
1. That the aforementioned recommendations be adopted.
 2. That the Chairperson and Dave Dobbie represent the Board on the Recreation Plan Steering Group.
 3. That the Leisure Unit, Parks Unit and Advocacy Team provide a list of urgent needs resulting from the Youth Recreation Study.