

## 17. LINWOOD RESOURCE CENTRE

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Corporate Plan Output: Elected Member Representation	

The purpose of this report is to request that the board allocate \$5,000 from the \$40,000 Community Work Special Projects fund to subsidise the creation of two part-time 20 hour community work positons at the Linwood Resource Centre.

The Christchurch City Council has a partnership with Anglican Care regarding this community work position. With this subsidy the current position of 30 hours (which is funded by the Social Initiatives) will become two part-time 20-hour positions (40hrs per week).

The rationale behind this request is as stated by Rodney Routledge on behalf of the Family and Community Division of Anglican Care.

“The rationale for this request is as follows

- it would allow for greater diversity of work to be undertaken with a wider range of needs being met
- it would reduce the isolation of the current position
- it would allow for the creative energy to be developed as a result of two workers having a variety of different skills
- it would provide the possibility of engaging in new areas not currently undertaken by the Linwood Resource Centre.”

The second community worker position would focus on areas presently under represented in the centre. In particular Maori and Pacific Island, young people and men.

I have discussed this job creation with both Rodney Routledge and Eleanor Bodger and concur with their view that it would be beneficial to the centre and the wider community.

**Recommendation:** That the Board allocate \$5,000 from the Special Community Work Special Projects funding to the Linwood Resource Centre for wages subsidy.

**Chairman’s**

**Recommendation:** That the officer’s recommendation be adopted.