19. BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY CENTRES ANNUAL REVIEW 1999

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The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the Community Centres Annual Review for 1999.

At its 16 May 2000 Seminar the Board received a report from the Community Development Adviser and Community Development Administration Assistant outlining trends highlighted through research into community centres. Of note was the fact that management committees often found they were unsupported in many of the administrative tasks they were required to undertake, this especially included the formulation of annual accounts. Another significant trend was the declining usage patterns in many of the community centres and facilities throughout the Burwood/Pegasus area.

As a result of the research the Board felt that it would be important to develop a plan to support management committees and encourage usage of the community centres and facilities. Therefore the Seminar meeting recommended that Advocacy Team staff prepare a community centre plan for the Burwood/Pegasus area outlining the current resources available, the assistance required by management committees to meet their obligations, promotional programmes to raise awareness of community centres and a strategy for increasing the usage of facilities.

Recommendation: That Advocacy staff be requested to prepare a community centre/facility plan for the Burwood/Pegasus area to provide support to management committees and increase usage of community facilities.

The Community Advocate reports:

Following to the Board's Seminar session on 16 May 2000 details have been received of the citywide evaluation of community facilities to be carried out by Richard Budd. This evaluation which is to include research being undertaken in the Papanui, Fendalton and Waimairi Wards includes the evaluation which this Board has sought of facilities in the Burwood and Pegasus Wards. It is recommended that Richard Budd be advised of this Board's request and that the Advocacy Team liaise with Richard in the preparation of his report.

Chairperson's		
Recommendations:	1.	That the Board support the aforementioned recommendation.

2. That the Community Advocate, Community Development Adviser and Chairperson meet with Richard Budd to discuss the citywide evaluation.