

## 8. DRAFT ARTS POLICY AND STRATEGY

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The purpose of this report is to seek feedback from the Community Board regarding the draft Arts Policy and Strategy (as attached).

### BACKGROUND

The Arts Policy has been under review for over a year. Earlier this year a number of meetings and focus groups were conducted with people from the arts sector, Maori, representatives of a number of Asian communities, and Council staff. A seminar was held with the Community Services Committee in May. Based on the feedback from these meetings a draft Arts Policy was developed.

The draft policy was presented to the Community Services Committee in August. The Committee agreed that officers seek community views on that draft policy. However, at this time there was some discussion regarding the advantage of seeking views regarding an Arts Strategy at the same stage as comments of the draft Arts Policy.

### ARTS POLICY AND STRATEGY

A draft Arts Strategy framework has been developed based on the proposed policy. This draft strategy is attached to this report.

We are now seeking feedback from the Community Board regarding the draft policy and strategy. For example we welcome comments regarding

- Do the policy and strategy identify the correct focus/outcomes?
- Has the strategy identified the correct roles of the Council?
- Are the principles the right basis for the Arts strategy?
- Are there any changes or additions you would like to the goals and objectives?
- What actions should to be included in the strategy?

### NEXT STEPS

Based on Community Board feedback and feedback from the community consultation we will redraft the policy and strategy. We will also develop specific action points for each objective. A revised strategy will be represented for Community Board consideration prior to its submission to Council for endorsement.

Mary Richardson will be in attendance at the Board meeting to discuss the Draft Arts Policy and Strategy with Community Board members.

**Recommendation:** That the Board provides feedback on the attached draft Strategy

**Chairman's Recommendation:** For discussion.