

### 13. ST ALBANS NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS

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The purpose of this report is to request a grant to STANN of \$1,300.

The St Albans Neighbourhood News publication is a community based, non-profit newsletter delivered free in St Albans. All work associated with the newsletter is voluntary and costs are met through advertising. However in the last 12 months, advertising revenue has not covered production costs.

Each month a ¼ - ½ page is used for a report of the Shirley/Papanui Community Board meeting, and the rest of the newsletter provides for coverage of Community Board issues. For example, the September 2000 issue of STANN had 4 half pages relating to English Park, St Albans Park, the Courtenay Street section and the Community Board report.

This grant is calculated at \$120 per issue (11 per annum).

As members will be aware the Council's policy provides free copying and secretarial services to recognised residents groups. As the STANN Newsletter is not printed or typed through the Service Centre, it is appropriate for the Board to make a grant. A similar grant was made in 1999/2000.

There is currently a balance of \$23,280 in the Discretionary Fund.

**Recommendation:** That a grant of \$1,300 be made to the St Albans Neighbourhood News from 2000/01 Discretionary Funds.

**Chairperson's Recommendation:** That the officer's recommendation be adopted.