

4. PAPANUI FACILITIES RESEARCH

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Corporate Plan Output: Community Facilities	

The purpose of this report is to present to the Board the final report evaluating the need for Community Facilities in the Papanui area (copies have been circulated to members separately).

BACKGROUND

Board members will recall that previous research has indicated a community desire for facilities based in the Papanui – north/west area of the city. This research has included the Casebrook/Northcote/Styx Mill/Redwood Community Needs Analysis (1998), The North/West Youth Summit (1998) and Voices of Asian Youth (1999).

Furthermore, over the past two terms the Board has been approached by local initiatives for support for community facilities in the area, including Papanui Baptist Church (Te Papanui Trust), St Bedes College, Adventist School and Wai-ora Trust. Without a thorough analysis of the needs for community facilities the Board has been unable to offer an informed opinion. Hence, the Tourism and Leisure Group Ltd (Ray Sleeman) was contracted to undertake an evaluation/needs assessment of community facilities in the area. During the course of this research Ray has regularly updated staff, Board members and other Council Units on progress. The final report is now before the Board for consideration.

The research recommendations include possible responses to each of St Bedes, Adventist School, Wai-ora Trust and Te Papanui Trust initiatives. The recommendations also suggest future courses of action. This report is also being submitted to the Parks Committee.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Papanui Community Facilities Evaluation Report be received and that Ray Sleeman be thanked for his efforts.
 2. That the recommendations of the report be adopted.
 3. That the Board endorse the establishment of a project team to further progress work on this project. The team to include representatives from Papanui High School, Kiwi Property, Te Papanui Trust, Parks Unit, Leisure, Papanui Advocacy Team and Ray Sleeman.

Chairperson's Recommendation: That the Officer's recommendation be adopted.