## 15. BURWOOD AND PEGASUS COMMUNITY YOUTH RECREATION NEEDS STUDY: IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

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The purpose of this report is to provide information to Board members on implementation of the key recommendations of the Youth Recreation Needs Study. The report contains suggestions on how to implement the recommendations; progress to date with implementation; existing budget provision within Leisure/Parks Units and the Burwood/Pegasus Advocacy Team for the 2000/01 financial year and any further financial commitments required from the Community Board, both from 2000/01 Discretionary and SCAP funding and from 2001/02 Project funding. Other ideas from the Board on how to implement the recommendations would be welcomed.

## **Recommendations:**

1. Provide a range of hang-out (social interaction areas), casual and active recreation opportunities in and around The Palms (Shirley) and New Brighton Malls.

And

That Council Officers open a dialogue with Mall owners and managers to ensure the inclusion of youth needs within Mall designs or peripheral areas that will offer appropriate and safe recreation opportunities. These opportunities, for example, would include areas for skateboarding, hacky sack, and hanging out.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Investigate whether youth activity areas can be incorporated into New Brighton redevelopment project	Parks		Pending impact of new Thomson Park facility	
Provide Skatejam events at malls	Leisure	\$3,500 per event	Leisure has funding for one event 2000/01 - \$2,000 from Board Project funding and \$1,500 operational funding	
Work with New Brighton Project to explore possibility of youth event/activity at New Brighton Mall	Leisure		Could be funded from existing Community Board Project funding allocated to New Brighton Project	

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Work with local community groups to explore possible youth activities around New Brighton Mall, particularly challenge activities based on the sea, beach, sand dunes	Leisure/Adv Team	\$5,000	Small seeding fund required	Suggest \$5,000 from Board 2000/01 Discretionary funding
Explore ideas for youth programmes etc which arise from working groups formed from "Shirley Youth" consultation	Adv Team/ Leisure	\$2,500	Small seeding fund required. Shirley/Papanui Community Board to be asked to match with a further \$2,500	Suggest \$2,500 from Board 2000/01 Discretionary funding
Encourage the Parks Unit to develop a Strategy to incorporate youth needs into initial planning when developing new and existing open space/neighbourhood recreation areas, in particular appropriately designed, sheltered "hang-out" areas along with other casual recreation facilities suitable for youth	Parks	N/A	Now being incorporated into planning	

2. Encourage the establishment of cafés and plan and provide events related to music, with concerts being staged on the foreshore or local parks.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Facilitate a partnership of Council Units (Parks, Leisure, Coast Care, Libraries), community groups, New Brighton business sector, local young people, to jointly maximise and promote concerts/events in the Burwood/Pegasus area	Leisure/Adv Team		Establish planning group	
Consider an area within Rawhiti Domain or the Foreshore where youth and community concerts/events may be held	Parks		Consider as part of proposed Rawhiti Domain redevelopment plan	
Encourage and support youth entertainment providers (eg 4YP, Powerhouse Youth Ministries, Christchurch Music Trust) to stage events in parks in Burwood/Pegasus area	Leisure	\$3,500	Leisure (via 4YP Youth Entertainment programme) has \$1,000 allocated for an event in B/P area	Suggest \$2,500 from Board 2000/01 SCAP funding
Encourage and support Maori/Pacific Island communities to host cultural events/days in Burwood/Pegasus area	Leisure/Adv Team	\$5,000		Suggest \$5,000 from Board 2000/01 SCAP funding

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Assist with promotion of existing beach and foreshore activities eg via New Brighton Project; with local surf/boardriders clubs, etc	Leisure		Could be funded from existing Community Board funding allocated to New Brighton Project	
Investigate need for and possible sighting of a café/cybercafe in Burwood/Pegasus area	Adv Team			
Investigate feasibility of utilising New Brighton beachfront area for events such as Family Fishing Day, Kite Extravaganza, drive-in movie for families on beachfront carpark	Leisure		Leisure has \$800 (Board Project funding) for a Family Fishing Day and \$5,000 (Board Project Funding) for Kites Project	

- 3. Provide a range of skateboard facilities throughout the Burwood/Pegasus Community as follows:
  - Upgrade Thomson Park as a quality skateboard park with a variety of skateboard facilities targeted at intermediate and advanced skateboarders.
  - Also consider the need for mobile skateboard ramps for use in mall or open car park areas.
  - Develop a range of beginner to intermediate skateboard sites at the following locations: New Brighton Mall, The Palms, Wainoni Park, QEII Park, Parklands/Queenspark Reserves.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Thomson Park upgrade	Parks		Completed – a further \$10,000 required to finish resurfacing. Suggest this is funded from 2000/2001 Board Project funding set aside for skate facility development	
Provide skate skills development workshops during school holidays	Leisure	\$5,000 per prog	Leisure will run skills development school holiday programmes across the city over two school holiday periods 2000/01 – funded via Leisure	
Advise Community Board on how best to utilise \$20,000 Project funding set aside for development of skate facilities	Leisure/Park		\$10,000 to Thomson Park resurfacing \$10,000 towards Queenspark/Parklands facility	
Mobile skate ramps	Leisure		Purchased and used to date for Skatejams, Kidsfest, Leisure holiday programmes run	

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
			by community groups, etc.	
New Sites:				
(a) New Brighton Mall	Parks		To be decided pending impact of Thomson Park upgrade; street skating style facilities could be incorporated into foreshore development	
(b) Wainoni Park	Parks		Next site recommended by Skateboard Strategy for development of a facility; Housing NZ have offered \$15,000 towards a facility; Parks has no funding allocated	\$15-20,000 required from Board 2001/02 Project funding
(c) The Palms	Parks			
(d) QEII Park	Parks		Not yet examined Not feasible due to current redevelopments. Close proximity to Thomson Park/proposed facility at Queenspark/Parklands	
(e) Parklands/Queenspark Reserves	Parks		Site to be confirmed pending community consultation. Parks has \$30,000 in 2000/01 budget; possibility a further \$10,000 could be reallocated from Adcock Reserve. Suggest a further \$10,000 be allocated from Board 2000/01 Project funding. A further \$10,000 required in 2001/02 to extend the facility	Suggest \$10,000 from Board 2001/02 Capital Works.
Investigate future potential sites – eg South Brighton	Parks/Leisure			

4. Provide additional fresh water drinking fountains and improve litter collection/cleaning in major parks within the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board area.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Area Parks Officer to advise on siting of future drinking fountains	Parks	Cost \$1,500 each	\$1,000 available from 2000/01 Board Project funding for Burwood Park	Suggest \$7,500 from Board 2001/02 Capital Works.
Issues re litter collection/cleaning to be referred to Parks Contract Supervisor	Parks			

5. Explore through the work of Community Advisery Staff assistance to organisations to develop adventure/thrill-seeker type activities in the community.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Work with providers of adventure/thrill-seeker type activities (both local – eg South Brighton Domain Ropes Course; Bungee Rocket; surf and boardriders clubs, etc – and metropolitan) providing activities in/on the sea, river, estuary, Port Hills, etc	Leisure	\$5,000	Small seeding fund required	Suggest \$5,000 from Board 2000/01 Discretionary funding
Work with local Maori organisations to establish youth programmes based around waka ama	Adv Team/ Leisure	\$5,000	Small seeding fund required	Suggest \$5,000 from Board 2000/01 SCAP funding
Expand leisure youth holiday programmes based on outdoor adventure	Leisure	\$3,500	Leisure has budget for one new holiday programme for 10-14 year olds in B/P area	

6. Set up a small working party to explore/investigate measures which could be taken to make parks safer. Particularly Wainoni Park, New Brighton Mall and Beach and Foreshore area.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Establish Working Parties for each of above areas (Council staff/community reps) to report back to the Community Board/Parks Unit on issues regarding safety and recommendations for improvement	Parks			

7. Identify, promote and negotiate for open access by youth to existing club and sporting facilities within the community eg tennis/netball courts, cricket nets. Where this is not feasible, plan for and provide open community facilities.

Actions	Responsible	Budget	Comments	Funding Sought from Community Board
Work with Burwood/Pegasus sporting clubs to provide and promote better access for casual youth recreation	Leisure		Community Recreation Advisers to develop a Strategy to achieve this	
Encourage facilities in Burwood/Pegasus area to provide and promote casual youth recreation	Leisure		Community Recreation Advisers to develop a Strategy to achieve this	
Cricket nets	Leisure		\$500 allocated from Board 2000/01 Project funding to a local cricket club to allow practice nets to remain up and available for casual recreation use by young people	
Produce a brochure on youth facilities (skateparks, half basketball courts) and holiday and recreational activities available to youth in the Burwood/Pegasus area	Parks/ Leisure	\$2,500	Parks/Leisure have no funding available to do this 2000/01	Suggest \$2,500 from Board 2000/01 Discretionary funding.

## **Recommendations:** 1. That the information be received.

- 2. That the recommendations involving allocation of Burwood/Pegasus Community Board 2000/2001 Discretionary and Strengthening Communities Action Plans (SCAP) funding be adopted.
- 3. That the Board consider the recommendations for 2001/02 Project Funding at the appropriate time.

## Chairperson's

- **Recommendations:** 1. That recommendations 1 and 3 be adopted.
  - 2. That the \$12,500 funding sought from SCAP monies be referred to the SCAP Team.
  - 3. That \$10,000 be allocated from Discretionary funds (2000/01) to fund projects and that staff prepare a priority list for allocation of this funding.