

23. CANTERBURY ADVENTURE TRUST

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The purpose of this report is to seek confirmation of Councillor Graham Condon's and Councillor Erin Baker's appointment as the Christchurch City Council representatives on the Canterbury Adventure Trust, to allow them to be paid for attendance at meetings of the trust and its associated company, Canterbury Adventure Limited.

BACKGROUND

Following the success of the "Wild and Wacky Festival" held in the early 1990s, the then Mayor (Vicki Buck) reported to the Council in 1993 seeking its support for the formation of the Canterbury Adventure Trust, as a means of ensuring the continuation of a yearly adventure festival as part of the year-round Christchurch festival scene. At that time the Council indicated its support for the trust, and noted that Vicki Buck would represent the Council on the organising committee which had been formed to pursue the formation of a trust and company structure, with the assistance of Buddle Findlay.

Following the formation of a trust and company, Vicki Buck continued to serve as the Council's representative. As a result of informal discussions between the parties, Councillors Graham Condon and Erin Baker subsequently agreed to serve in Vicki Buck's place as the Council's representatives, although the approval of the Council was not sought to their appointment.

To regularise their appointments, the Council's formal approval is now sought for the appointments of Councillors Condon and Baker as the Council's representatives on the trust and its associated company.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CANTERBURY ADVENTURE TRUST AND CANTERBURY ADVENTURE LIMITED

When the trust was formed in 1993, its legal advisers, Buddle Findlay, were instructed to draw up the required documents for the formation of the trust and an associated company Canterbury Adventure Ltd. The company was eventually formed in 1996, principally for the purpose of protecting individual trustees against any festival liabilities, to the extent that a limited liability company so provided. The trust is the sole shareholder of the company and does not itself engage in any real activities, other than acting as a vehicle for the company's operations.

CURRENT TRUSTEES

The membership of the trust currently comprises:

Shelley Peebles (Chairperson)	Youth Hostel Association
Councillor Graham Condon	Christchurch City Council
Councillor Erin Baker	Christchurch City Council
Noeline Allan	Mayor of Banks Peninsula District Council
Tim Herrick	Duncan Cotterill
Rick Blackburn	Trailblazers

Apart from the changes in the Council's representatives, there have been other changes in the membership of the trust since it was formed. In all cases, the new appointments have been made by and with the approval of the remaining trustees, pursuant to the provisions of the trust deed.

Recommendation: That the Council confirm the appointment of Councillors Graham Condon and Erin Baker as its representatives on the Canterbury Adventure Trust and Canterbury Adventure Ltd.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.