

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – REPORT OF 21 JUNE 2001

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The purpose of this report is to submit for consideration, the report and accompanying recommendations of the Committee's 21 June meeting as follows:

**Report of a meeting of the Community Services Committee
held on Thursday 21 June 2001 at 8.00 am
in Meeting Room 1, CCC Fendalton**

PRESENT: Mike Wall (Chairman), Diana Bradley, Sally Buck, Yiyi Ku, Keith Nuttall, Barbara Stewart

Diana Bradley left the meeting at 8.42am and was present for Clauses 1.1, 2 and 3.

Sally Buck departed at 8.53am and was present for Clauses 1.1, 2, 3 and 4.

1. POLICY AND STRATEGY DOCUMENTS

At its meeting on 5 June 2001, the Board decided that the following draft Policies and Strategy documents be further considered by the Committee.

1.1 Draft Parks and Waterways Access Policy

An overview of the proposed policy was provided by Kelly Hansen from the Parks and Waterways Unit and members asked a number of questions.

Recommendation: That the draft Parks and Waterways Access Policy be endorsed.

1.2 Policy on Equity and Access for People with Disabilities

Mary Richardson, the Social and Economic Policy Analyst was present to advise the Committee on the outcomes of the final consultation phase relating to the proposed policy and to seek the Board's endorsement of it.

It was noted that earlier this year the Board had submitted a response to the Council on the then draft.

Members asked several questions and highlighted a need to make a minor editorial correction to the text.

Recommendation: That the Policy on Equity and Access for People with Disabilities be endorsed.

1.3 Christchurch Public Health Strategy

Mary Richardson again assisted the Committee by providing an overview of the current strategy and that the engagement phase was currently progressing.

Funding for the strategy was being provided by the Ministry of Health and Crown Public Health.

Members present were provided with a copy of the response card inviting community groups to contribute as part of the strategy process.

The Committee indicated its support for the initiative.

Recommendation: That the Christchurch Public Health Strategy be supported.

2. FUTURE USE OF FORMER FENDALTON LIBRARY - UPDATE

The Community Advocate provided the Committee with a status report on the current situation regarding the building and advised that as part of the current improvement programme in the Central Library there was a need identified for a temporary relocation of some of the library activity for a period of nine to twelve months. One option being considered was to utilise the former Fendalton Library.

Officer's considered this to be a prudent step particularly when compared with the costs related to other options which may include the creation of temporary premises.

Recommendation: That any temporary use of the former library building for library purposes be confirmed as a prudent move and that, if necessary, any conversion for community use be deferred pending the completion of such temporary use.

3. YOUTH ASSISTANCE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME

It was recalled that at its meeting on 5 June, the Board had resolved that the partnership programme based at Burnside High School be implemented as a one year pilot and that funding arrangements be finalised by the Committee with power to act.

Bridget Ryan from the Canterbury Development Corporation was in attendance and she advised that Burnside High School was agreeable to increasing its funding share to \$5,000 (previously \$2,500).

It was noted that objectives and performance indicators for the programme had still to be developed.

In exercising its power to act delegation, the Committee **decided:**

That the Youth Assistance Partnership Programme one year pilot based at Burnside High School be funded from the following sources:

- \$10,000 ex 2000/01 SCAP Fund
- \$5,000 ex Burnside High School
- \$2,700 ex carry forward LSV Fund
- \$2,300 ex Canterbury Development Corporation

In addition the Committee **recommends** to the Board:

1. That the Principal of Burnside High School be thanked for the school's support of the pilot programme.
2. That the Canterbury Development Corporation staff be thanked for their initiative and contribution to the programme.
3. That staff of the Council (including CDC) and Burnside High School further discuss the development of clear objectives/performance indicators to apply to the programme.
4. That a first report be provided near the end of 2001 on progress with the programme.

4. NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK SUBCOMMITTEE – REPORT OF 7 JUNE 2001

Submitted for the Committee's consideration was the report of the Board's Neighbourhood Week Subcommittee's inaugural meeting held on 7 June to consider local events and activities associated with Neighbourhood Week, which this year ran from 27 October – 3 November.

The report highlighted a number of ideas and options for ongoing consideration by the sub-committee utilising the funding earlier allocated by the Board.

Recommendation: That the report be received.

5. ASIAN YOUTH REPORT - UPDATE

Yiyi Ku provided the Committee with an update on the achievements of the Christchurch Asian Youth Trust and also the Asian Youth Co-ordination.

A copy of a booklet prepared by the Trust which was a guide for homestay families and an information directory was tabled for members information.

Issues of ongoing funding for the Trust and for the future employment of the Asian Youth Co-ordinator were highlighted and discussed.

Immediate funding of approximately \$6,000 was required by the Trust and it was **agreed** that a case for such support be submitted to the July meetings of the Fendalton/Waimairi, Shirley/Papanui and Riccarton/Wigram Community Boards.

The meeting concluded at 9.22am

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.