

22. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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Corporate Plan Output:	

The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of a meeting held by the Board's Environment Committee held on Thursday, 28 June.

The Committee recorded its sadness and at the sudden death of Liz McRostie, a member of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board, and passed on its deep condolences to the McRostie family.

The committee asked that Willis Heney attend the next meeting of the Environment committee to clarify three matters relating to signboards, poster pasting and billboards.

Legal Arts Proposal – Mural at Linwood Park

Sharon Williams, Legal Arts Co-ordinator, Bradley Cone, Legal Arts Assistant and Michael Slade, Graffiti Artist, were in attendance to discuss a plan for the legal arts proposal at Linwood Park.

The committee visited Linwood Park and looked at the fence and discussed what would be suitable. Sharon told the committee about a planned Linwood Skate Park Legal Graffiti Arts Workshop. This is being held from 3 – 5 July from 10.00am – 2.00pm at YCD on Lichfield Street. One of the aims of the workshop is to produce in full scale an example of graffiti/mural artworks for the wall.

Sharon was asked to attend a further meeting of the committee following the workshop to present the examples.

Christchurch Public Health Strategy

Julie Macdonald was in attendance to assist the committee in developing feedback on the Christchurch Public Health Strategy.

The committee provided feedback regarding the initiative and the health priorities for the Hagley Ferrymead wards. The committee considered a number of issues that were of concern to them. These included the lack of suitable housing and the ability of people being able to heat their homes, youth suicide, quality of air, youth health, nutrition and exercise, and poverty among other issues. The committee noted the findings in the "Quality of Life In New Zealand's Six Largest Cities" report.

The committee commented that the Board may wish to have some involvement such as hosting a forum for the community to discuss these issues and will raise some of these issues at a meeting in July to be held with Board members, Members of Parliament, schools and government agencies.

Recommendation: That the information be received

Chairman's Recommendation: Not seen by chairman