

14. COMMUNITY BOARD LIAISON WITH (RECOGNISED) RESIDENT GROUPS

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The purpose of this report is to seek Board consideration to continue the practice of appointing a member(s) to act in a liaison capacity with each of the established resident groups within the wards.

Residents' Groups are set up to provide support and assistance to their neighbourhood. They have a common purpose and set-out to achieve a common goal. They may be set up to provide recreation activities, eg playgroups, or in response to a perceived threat to the stability or character of a neighbourhood, eg saving a historic building.

- The Christchurch City Council encourages the formation of local residents' groups.
- Local residents' groups are able to apply to the Community Board for recognition as an 'official' residents' group for the area.
- The residents' group boundaries within each community are agreed upon by the relevant Community Board.
- Such groups, upon recognition, receive the right to be consulted by the Council on all work planned within their boundaries.
- The Council provides free typing and photocopying for official residents' groups, within limits approved by the Community Advocate.

As at November 2001 there are 17 recognised residents' groups and many more community and business groups actively operating in the Riccarton/Wigram area. Those groups that have been recognised by the Board are eligible for a range of typing and photocopying services from the Sockburn Service Centre. (Plan attached showing group boundaries.)

- Awatea Residents Association
- Central Riccarton Residents Association
- Deans Ave Precinct Society
- Hei Hei Residents Association
- Halswell Residents Association
- Ilam and Upper Riccarton Residents Association
- Islington Residents Association
- Kennedy's Bush Road Neighbourhood Association
- Middleton Matipo Community Association
- Riccarton Park Residents Association
- Riccarton/Kilmarnock Residents Association
- Templeton Residents Association
- Westmorland Residents Association
- Wigram Park Community Association
- Wigram Residents Association
- Yaldhurst District Association
- Yaldhurst Rural Residents Association

- Recommendation:**
1. That the Board continue the practice of appointing members to act in a liaison capacity with each of the established resident groups listed.
 2. That the Board appoint two members to each of the resident groups.