

## 21. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

- 21.1 For members' information a schedule of the Discretionary funds distributed for the 2001/02 financial year since the allocation meeting on 15 February 2000 and a schedule of the Community Development Initiatives Fund for the 2001/02 financial year are attached.
- 21.2 For members' information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached.
- 21.3 For members' information a schedule of Board meetings to be held during 2001 is attached.

### 21.4 JOINT BOARD SEMINAR ON PLAY SPACES IN PLAYGROUNDS

It is intended that the Board host a seminar session for all Community Board members on the provision of different playground experiences within areas and across the city. Councillor Sally Buck, Kevin Williams and Chris Fourie will make a presentation on "providing spaces for play, responding to the challenge". This presentation was made to the Parks and Recreation Committee on 20 August 2001.

The Seminar will be held at the Ascot Community Centre at 4.00 pm on Tuesday 18 September 2001.

### 21.5 TELSTRA SATURN NETWORK CONSTRUCTION

Telstra Saturn has provided information on its intended network rollout plan. The dates are subject to change but residents are to be given notice of approximately a month of when work will be done. Further notification is made a few days prior to the work starting.

Within Burwood/Pegasus, network construction is planned for January to June 2002 for New Brighton, Richmond, and Shirley.

### 21.6 LOCATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT ON COUNCIL PROPERTY

After lengthy negotiation, the Council has agreed a process and licence/rental agreement with Vodafone and Telecom. The first three applications to locate equipment on Council land have now been received, two of which are co-locations (two service providers on one site). The Cell Sites Subcommittee considered these preferred sites at its meeting on 15 August 2001 and confirmed that it had no objections to staff progressing the applications in accordance with the Council's Mobile Phone Equipment Selection Process.

The Council's Liaison Officer, within the City Solutions Unit, is facilitating the site selection process and reports to the Cell Site Subcommittee. An early step in the process is the notification of proposed sites to Council Units that may be impacted upon by the proposed use of the land.

The following application is for a site within Burwood/Pegasus:

**QEII Park - Co-location by Telecom and Vodafone** - To erect six antenna panels mounted on the four sides of the Stadium Building, two transmission dishes on the roof of the Stadium Building and an equipment room containing radio telecommunication process equipment, cabling and associated equipment within the building. Full details of the application have been provided to the Community Advocate.

The Community Board is able to comment on the application prior to Tuesday 11 September 2001. Any response will be included in the final report to the Cell Sites Subcommittee.

The area Community Board Chairperson or their appointee will have the opportunity to express their views at the Cell Site Subcommittee meeting convened to decide whether or not a licence should be granted. It is important to note that the appropriate Community Board Chairperson or their appointee will have voting rights at the meeting.

If the Subcommittee does agree to a licence, this will be subject to the companies obtaining a publicly notified resource consent and/or Reserve Act consent which will give anyone interested an opportunity to make a submission.

#### **21.7 NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK 27 OCTOBER TO 2 NOVEMBER 2001**

The Joint Board Coordinating Committee for Neighbourhood Week 2001 met on 3 August 2001. Attached are the minutes of the meeting.

#### **21.8 CLEAN UP THE WORLD 2001**

The annual Clean up the World weekend, organised by the Keep Christchurch Beautiful Campaign and Marine Watch, is scheduled to take place this year between 21 and 23 September 2001.

The Shirley Advocacy team and Library staff, as their contribution to the campaign, will be picking up litter along QEII Drive between Marshland Road and Burwood Road on Friday, 21 September 2001. The same area was targeted by the Shirley Team last year and 20-25 bags of litter were collected. Community Board members are invited to join in the litter collection. The Team will depart from the Service Centre/Library at 10.30 am on 21 September returning at approximately 12.00 pm.

#### **21.9 PARKLANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE**

As reported to the 30 July 2001 meeting of the Board, remedial work is required on the concrete floor of the extension to the Parklands Community Centre. The Projects and Property Committee has resolved to follow a course of action whereby the concrete floor should be allowed to dry to a Relative Humidity of 75% by natural means. No treatment should be applied to the concrete to 'trap' or 'lockup' water in the slab.

Council officers have held extensive discussions with a number of parties including:

- Cement and Concrete Association
- Jeremy Lovell-Smith (has carried out extensive research into the drying of concrete)
- Opus Laboratories
- BRANZ
- Independent structural engineers.

The purpose of the discussions was to determine what additional action could be taken to accelerate the drying of the concrete. Methods to heat the slab or heat the space and blow the air across the surface of the slab have been renewed.

In addition the issue of what effect the curing compound is having on the slab needs to be resolved.

Work on this has been underway for the last three weeks. Measurement on the progress of the drying has commenced. At this stage no significant movement in the Relative Humidity has occurred.

Further discussions held with the contractor and Council staff during the week commencing 27 August 2001 will be reported at the Board meeting.

At this stage it is not possible to determine how long it will take for the slab to reach the required Relative Humidity of 75%. It is necessary to obtain some readings to chart the progress of the drying before any estimates can be made. Further comment on this will be provided at the Board meeting.

Council Officers have put considerable effort into investigating and determining what are the best ways of accelerating the drying process. The issue is a difficult one in terms of the technical aspects of the job. There are no clear definitive answers to the issue of drying and it has been considered essential that the matter be thoroughly investigated before committing time and resources to a course of action.

#### **21.10 HERITAGE WEEK 2001**

The Board's Heritage Week Subcommittee met on 10 August 2001 to consider two events in Burwood/Pegasus for inclusion in the programme. The Subcommittee met with Natalie Edward, Richard Greenaway, Lynne Hillier and Mary McCammon to discuss the possibility of a guided tour of the All Saints Church/Cemetery in Burwood and of an event in New Brighton.

Richard Greenaway intends to conduct guided tours of six cemeteries across the City during Heritage Week, including a tour at All Saints Church. The New Brighton Project, the Pier and Foreshore Society and the New Brighton Resident's Association are working on a garden party at the museum in New Brighton. The museum will be open and there will be performances by Playback Theatre and the Silver Band. Photographs of the old New Brighton Pier will be on display.

The Subcommittee decided that the Board's allocated funding for Heritage Week be provided as a contribution to the staging of these events.

The Subcommittee suggests that it would be advantageous for proposals for next year's Heritage Week to be considered early in 2002. This would ensure that sufficient funds are budgeted and provide more time for events to be planned. Wider participation could also be sought, for example from schools.

#### **21.11 COLLINGWOOD HOUSE**

At the request of the Council a meeting was held on 10 August 2001 with Age Concern Canterbury on the future of Collingwood House. Carole Evans and Alister James were in attendance to discuss options for continuing access to the building for the community.

The representatives from Age Concern confirmed that there is no possibility of a continuation of the current situation. Age Concern wishes to generate revenue from the sale or lease of the property to assist with its core role of providing support for the aged in their homes.

Options for retaining the House as a community facility were discussed. The Council declined the purchase option during the recent Annual Plan process. Age Concern would consider leasing the property and passing on full responsibility for the management and maintenance of the House. The meeting agreed that the Council would present a leasing proposition to Age Concern and that no decision on the sale would be made in the interim.

The Property Unit has been requested to consider the lease option and prepare a proposal for consideration by Age Concern at the earliest opportunity.

#### **21.12 WINDSOR SCHOOL COMMUNITY HALL**

Windsor School has now confirmed that it wishes to proceed further with the option to take full ownership and responsibility for the Hall. The School is keen to progress matter as soon as possible.

The Property Unit has been requested to consider options on how to effect this transfer.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the Board host a Joint Board Seminar on play spaces in playgrounds on Tuesday 18 September 2001.
  2. That the Community Board Chairperson or nominee make a representation to the Cell Site Subcommittee meeting on the proposal for a telecommunication site at QEII Park.

- Chairperson's Recommendations:**
1. That the abovementioned recommendations be adopted.
  2. That the Community Board give guidance to the Community Board Chairperson on making representations to the Cell Site Subcommittee meeting on the proposal for a telecommunication site at QEII Park.
  3. That the Board express concern to Telstra/Saturn about the poor condition of footpaths, including residual permanent paint marking, following their installations.
  4. That the Board support the proposal for the Council to lease Collingwood House for community use.