

**18. HALSWELL AQUATIC CENTRE ARTS PROJECT
REQUEST FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE**

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The purpose of this report is to seek funding from the Community Board for a legal arts project upon the corrugated iron fence at Halswell Aquatic Centre.

Legal Art is about teaching young people respect for private property, developing their artistic skills and self worth in undertaking a recognised community project. It is proposed that the project involve local youth and to this end we have put together a crew of six to seven local youth.

The total cost of the project including paint, artistic supervision, refreshments and a koha (tee shirt) for each participant is estimated at \$1974.99. Experience has shown these projects can have a significant benefit to the youth involved and the local community. A reduction in graffiti is an expected outcome.

Board members will recall the success of the Kyle Park Underpass project which was inspected by many of you and received favourable community comment.

Recommendation: That the Board allocate \$1974.99 from its discretionary funds.

Chairman's Recommendation: That the Board approve a grant of \$2,000 to enable the Legal Arts Co-ordinator to complete the Halswell Aquatic Centre project to be funded from discretionary funds.