

3. ARANUI COMMUNITY RENEWAL UPDATE

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The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board and Community Plans Special Committee on progress with Aranui Community Renewal.

BACKGROUND

Funding allocated through the 2001/02 annual plan round to the Aranui Community and to “Aranui Community Renewal” provides, over a three year period, for coordination of capital works delivery, assistance with capacity building in the community and “projects” as they arise.

The aim of Aranui Community Renewal is to “enhance Aranui as a good place to live”.

The project reports to a Steering Group representing the three-way project partnership and progress is also reported to the Community Board and to the Community Plans Special Committee on a regular cycle.

ACTIVITIES SINCE THE LAST REPORTS (MARCH AND APRIL 2002)

Presentation to Strengthening Families management group	16 April 2002
Second Aranui Community Hui held	16 April 2002
CCC Community Development Adviser appointed on fixed term contract	April 2002
Third Community Renewal newsletter published	April 2002
Prioritised “Key Findings” from the Community Needs Analysis, confirmed at Hui	April 2002
Wainoni Park redevelopment and consultation process approved by the Council	April 2002
Design for HNZ replacement Portsmouth Street houses confirmed	April 2002
Wainoni Park play equipment relocated, new recreation facility commenced	May/June 2002
Steering Group meeting held	May 2002
Three work groups commenced regular meetings on the priority matters in Aranui	May 2002
First Volunteers Reception training course held at Supergrans	June 2002
Inaugural meeting of the Aranui Community Trust	11 June 2002
Construction commenced on new HNZ Portsmouth Street housing	24 June 2002
Submissions from Community and staff to CCC Annual Plan working party	June/July 2002
Wainoni Park Community Planting day held	6 July 2002

Hui - 16 April 2002

The Hui was held to:

- Report back to the community on achievements in the last 12 months.
- To look ahead to the next 12 months.
- To confirm the priority issues (“key findings” from the needs analysis report) to be dealt with in Aranui.
- To establish interest/work groups to take action on these issues.

Three “work groups” were established at the Hui and are reported on below:

Work Group 1 - Strengthening Families and Facilities and Services for Youth and Children

Agencies involved:

Ministry of Education, Special Education Services, Project Pegasus New Brighton Police, Christchurch City Council Staff, Plunket; Child Youth Development, Parents As First Teachers, Aranui Primary School, Agape Ministries, Maori Evangelical Fellowship. Turangawaewae Family Trust, Te Kupenga O Aranui.

Current projects:

- Establish a local youth and children’s programme to operate, initially, over every school holiday period:

- A small group led by the CCC Leisure Unit Co-ordinator has organized the first programme run for the July holidays in conjunction with the 'Get Real, Stay Real' youth depot operating from the Hampshire Street shops.
- HNZ Community Group Housing has been asked to progress alternative accommodation for Te Kupenga O Aranui to free up the building they currently occupy in Wainoni Park for use as a youth facility
- Establish an alternative education programme for under 13-year olds who do not respond to mainstream schooling:
 - A sub-group (led by Project Pegasus, New Brighton Police social worker) met with local school principals, Ministry of Education officials and various local youth workers to consider a possible alternative education programme put forward by the Principal of Wainoni Primary. The Ministry is now looking at funding and staffing implications for this 'idea'.
- Develop a framework to support individual effort and contribution to the community:
 - This objective, which seeks to acknowledge the contribution of individuals, as distinct from organisations, has been referred to the Community Committee as one that would best fit the role of the Aranui Community Trust.

Work Group 2 - Employment and Training Opportunities

Agencies involved:

SKILNZ, WINZ, Community Employment Group, Department of Labour, Christchurch Polytechnic, Canterbury Development Corporation, Salvation Army Employment Plus, Supergrans, Paparua Maori Charitable Trust, Nga Hau e Wha Marae based Training Providers, Turangawaewae Family Trust.

- Linkage with the Aranui High School Trades Academy work experience programme has so far focussed on work with exterior painting contractors. At this stage the Academy is left with eight students. However eagerness has been expressed regarding regular visits to the HNZ Portsmouth Street building site once work there commences for blocks of two weeks work experience for Aranui students.
- A local employment and training EXPO is being arranged for September, led by WINZ staff and to be held in Wainoni Park and the Wainoni/Aranui Family Centre.
- Volunteers reception training course held at Supergrans, so far three attendees have obtained work as a direct result of their involvement in this course.
- Turangawaewae Family Trust continues to be an asset to the area and community renewal in general. Fence painting by this group is continuing as well as general ground maintenance under contract to HNZ.

Work Group 3 - Health

Agencies involved:

Crown Public Health, Pegasus Health, Plunket, Supergrans.

- Production of a newsletter/brochure that examines the health services that already exist in the area. This is to address the common perception that essential services are not available in Aranui.
- The concept of a 'one-stop-shop' health facility for Aranui was proposed, covering all aspects of primary health, plus visiting specialists on a frequent basis.
- Availability of Maori and Pacific Island Doctors/specialists.

Wainoni Park Redevelopment

The process for progressing the restructuring of the surroundings of Wainoni Park was presented to the Burwood Pegasus Community Board on 25 March 2002, the Community Plans Special Committee on 30 April, and approved by Council at its 23 May meeting. In accordance with the agreed process, approval to proceed to the next stage is now being sought and is reported separately to the Community Board and Community Plans Special Committee.

Submissions to Annual Plan Subcommittee and Council

The Burwood/Pegasus Community Board, Housing New Zealand Corporation and the Aranui Community Committee made submissions to the Annual Plan Sub Committee on funding of works in Aranui. Extracts from the Annual Plan Sub Committee recommendations to the 16 July Council meeting are included below:

<http://www.ccc.govt.nz/Council/Proceedings/2002/16July/APSubcommitteeReport.pdf>

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The Subcommittee makes the following recommendations in response to the major issues raised in the public submissions.

5. Housing New Zealand

Hampshire Street, Wainoni Park and School Speed Zone

- (a) That funding for Hampshire Street as a living street be increased to \$100,000 from \$70,000 and be brought forward from 2004/05 to 2003/04, subject to efforts being made to fund the shortfall by way of substitution.
- (b) That staff report both to the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board and the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee on park lighting in Wainoni Park and street lighting in Hampshire Street.
- (c) That \$20,000 be budgeted for a school speed zone in Breezes Road in 2002/03 subject to a further report to either the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee or the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board.

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13. Aranui Community Renewal Committee

Roading/Traffic/Safety/Street Lighting/Litter/Mobile Library Services/Bus Service

The Aranui Community Renewal Committee requested:

- That the impact of increased traffic in Aranui from closure of Eureka and Carisbrooke Streets be anticipated and mitigated.
- That speed restrictions in other areas be planned and implemented.
- That funds allocated in 2004/05 for the Aranui High 'Bubble' be brought forward.
- That the condition of footpaths be assessed and remedial action taken.
- That Aranui be included in the areas listed for street lighting improvement.
- Street flooding (which is not due to blocked sump gratings) be alleviated.

- Recommendation:
1. That the City Streets Unit be urged to allocate sufficient staff resources to urgently complete the assessment of effects or likely effects referred to above and that the funds already allocated be brought forward, by way of substitution, or allocated from maintenance sums where appropriate.
 2. That the Education and Promotions Co-ordinator and Keep Christchurch Beautiful Co-ordinator investigate the introduction of an anti-litter education programme; the emphasis to be on discouraging the practice of disposing of domestic rubbish in street bins rather than increasing street cleaning resources.
 3. That the use of Breezes Road by heavy traffic be kept under review by the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee.

4. That the Libraries Manager consult with the Aranui CRC and report both to the Community Board and the Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee on ways of meeting the library needs of the Aranui Community Renewal Committee.
5. That the submission seeking an improvement to the Aranui bus service be referred to the CCC/ECAN Public Transport Working Party.

Staff

Recommendation: That the information be received.

Chairperson's

Recommendation:

1. That the Committee support the need for an improvement to the Aranui bus service as identified in the submission on the Annual Plan by the Aranui Community Renewal Committee and ask the Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee to take the matter up at its forthcoming meeting with the CCC/Ecan public transport working party and when it meets with Redbus.
2. That the Council criteria for determining the work to be funded from the \$2,000,000 per annum increase in the kerb and channel renewal budget (provided for from 2005/06), give high priority to those projects that have synergies with projects that the Council is undertaking in collaboration with other public agencies or as part of urban renewal schemes.