

## 14. COMMUNITY ADVOCATE'S UPDATE

14.1 For members' information attached are schedules of funds distributed in 2002/03 for the Discretionary Funds (following the allocation meeting on 20 February 2002) and the Community Response Assistance Fund.

14.2 For members' information a list of all Board Committees, Subcommittees and Working Parties is attached.

### 14.3 NEW BRIGHTON CENOTAPH AREA

At the New Brighton Pier and Foreshore Society's meeting on 17 October 2002, a plan for upgrading the area around the Cenotaph was discussed with the Society and representatives from the New Brighton Returned Services Association. There was overall agreement to the plan. Further discussions are being held with the Pier and Foreshore Society to identify items within the plan that the Society will do fundraising for.

It is intended that a report be made to the first Board meeting in 2003 on the plan for the area and the timing of the works. The aim is to complete the works prior to ANZAC Day in 2003.

### 14.4 BOTTLE LAKE FOREST PARK JUNIOR GOLF PROPOSAL

At the Council meeting on 24 October 2002 the recommendations of the joint meeting of the Board, the Parks, Gardens and Waterways Committee and the Community and Leisure Committee were adopted without amendment, as follows:

1. That the Council reject the Bottle Lake Forest Park as a site for the Windsor Golf Club's proposed junior golf course and golf practice area.
2. That the Council not approve the release of 5.2 hectares of land from the Selwyn Plantation Board's licence area.
3. That the Parks and Waterways Unit continue to assist the club with the possible acquisition of additional land in the area, subject to suitable price and funding and joint use such as access to other recreation areas for walkers and bikers.

### 14.5 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ON FUNDING ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

At the Board meeting on 14 October 2002 the Board decided that nominations for the community representatives on the Funding Assessment Committee be reviewed after the current funding review is completed. The Board was mindful that the structure of the funding schemes was subject to change, particularly with the decision by Sport and Recreation New Zealand to cease contributions to the Community Sports Fund.

The Leisure Unit has advised that it is not desirable to defer calling for nominations for community representatives until after the funding review is completed. It would not then be possible to select the community representatives prior to the next funding round of the Community Development Scheme.

Nominations are to be called for citywide with a closing date of Friday 29 November 2002.

### 14.6 LONG TERM COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLAN

At the Board meeting on 21 October 2002, the Board decided that the Chairperson and two Community Board members work with the Community Advocate to set a suitable programme for collaborating with the Burwood/Pegasus community on input into the Long Term Council Community Plan. The Board may wish to select the two members to be involved.

### 14.7 COMMUNITY CONNECTION NGA NGARU TRUST SCHOOL LUNCHES PROJECT

The Community Connection Nga Ngaru Trust started a healthy lunches for schools programme in the third week of the fourth term at Queenspark School. This is a pilot programme undertaken by the Trust with advice from Crown Public Health. Two other schools are potentially lined up for next year.

The lunch programme is filling a gap created by the failing school tuck shop. Food with nutritional value is offered. The Trust based budgets on 30 orders per day but the first day saw orders for 56 lunches and by the end of the first week they were up to 75 orders.

The Trust sees the lunch programme as a way to fill a real community need, to establish themselves in the community (apart from as active residents) and as a way towards financial self-sufficiency. The success and support for this project speaks for itself in the orders and the acknowledgement the Trust has received from all areas of the community. The Mayor has shown an interest in the healthy lunches project as having citywide possibilities. The ultimate goal of the Trust is a community centre using a cafe as a means to bring the community together.

#### **14.8 DALLINGTON COMMUNITY COTTAGE**

The Dallington Community Cottage has lodged an application for resource consent. All things going well it is hoped in just over a couple of weeks for wheelchair access to the cottage and toilet facility.

Caroline Hain, the Cottage Community Worker, has been in constant contact with the community and people are all just waiting for the word to move in. The new premises will provide potential for expansion in many ways including incorporating younger members of the community, being able to accommodate more groups within the community and continuing their popular drop in sessions.

Anglican Care regrets the delay in lodging the resource consent and are looking into advice with regards to the handling of the process.

#### **14.9 UPDATE ON ARTWORKS IN BURWOOD/PEGASUS WORKING PARTY**

To date, two meetings of the Working Party have been held. At the first meeting there was discussion on the role of the Working Party and the project for a commemorative artwork in ANZAC Drive. A poppy theme is being considered, but no site has as yet been decided on.

The second meeting was held at the new Seaview Road premises of Te Pani Trust with Jayne Cummins and Mary McCammon also in attendance. Bon Suter was very pleased to show the Trust's workshop and the space for a planned café.

There was discussion about opportunities for showing local art and a proposed Art Week in New Brighton. This proposal is to be referred through the New Brighton Taskforce and the Community Board for approval. Mary McCammon and Jayne Cummings will approach local shop owners to display the work of local artists in their shop windows. There is also considerable interest in having a sculpture at the entrance to New Brighton, an 'arty' noticeboard in New Brighton Mall advising of what is on in New Brighton, and a village green with shelter and seating in the Mall area to display art.