

12. COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE - REPORT OF 12 DECEMBER 2003

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The purpose of this report is to submit the following outcomes of the Committee's 12 December 2003 meeting.

**Report of a meeting of the Community Services Committee
held on Friday 12 December 2003 at 8.00 am
in Meeting Room 1, CCC Fendalton.**

PRESENT: Cheryl Colley (Chairman), Sally Buck, Val Carter, George Hampton and Mike Wall.

George Hampton arrived at 8.11 am and was absent for clause 3.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Yiyi Ku, Mark Kunnen and Ron Wright.

2. DRAFT GAMBLING VENUE POLICY

In accordance with the new Gambling Act 2003, the Council is required to introduce policies on class 4 and T.A.B venues by 18 March 2004. Community Boards along with the wider community have been invited to provide feedback on the draft policies covering these issues.

Mary Richardson Social and Economic Policy Analyst was in attendance to give an overview on the draft policy and the special consultative procedures required to be undertaken.

Members asked questions to clarify various points regarding capping on the number of machines city wide and on zoning and City Plan related issues.

The **attached** submission reflects the outcome of the Committee's considerations.

Recommendation: That the draft submission on the proposed Gambling Venue Policy be adopted.

(**Note:** Mike Wall declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the discussion and voting thereon.)

3. NORTH WEST MENTORING TRUST

The Community Development Adviser summarised the key points in his submitted report and answered questions from members regarding the rationale behind the formation of the North West Mentoring Trust.

The formation of a Trust would give the project its own independence and flexibility and enable the Trust to determine its own goals and objectives. It was brought to attention that while the Presbyterian Support model concentrated on youth that were targeted by existing services, the North West Mentoring Trust would, through the participating intermediate schools, be targeting youth not yet officially identified. Funding for the mentoring programme in 2003/04 has been previously allocated from the Boards funds.

The Community Development Adviser indicated that there was a change to the proposed number of members on the Trust from 'no more than 5', to no more than 7.

- Recommendations:**
1. That the establishment of the North West Mentoring Trust be supported.
 2. That Mike Wall be appointed as the Board's representative on the North West Mentoring Trust.

4. STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES ACTION PLANNING COMMITTEE

A report was submitted regarding the current operations of the Strengthening Communities Action Planning (SCAP) Committee. The Community Development Adviser made mention of funding and meeting regularity issues which caused timing problems for some of the community groups seeking assistance.

The Community Development Adviser proposed that the Board could as an option disband the SCAP Committee and transfer its programme to the Community Services Committee.

Members were concerned that by disbanding the SCAP Committee the Board would lose interaction with the community through the community representatives and agreed, instead, that some of the key issues faced by the SCAP Committee could be addressed by reviewing the scope and brief of the Committee.

Recommendation: That the SCAP Committee be retained and that staff evaluate broadening the brief of the Committee and further that the administration and operational aspects of the Committee be streamlined.

5. COMMUNITY BOARD FUNDED YOUTH PROGRAMMES

The Community Recreation Adviser advised the Committee that the Board funded YMCA youth programme "Y's Guys" had been cancelled due to a lack of enrolments.

The Committee was asked to consider reallocating \$1,750 of the \$4,675 of the remaining funds to support local family camps operated by the Youth for Christ organisation.

The Burnside Community Trust and the Bryndwr Churches Community Support Society (BCCSS) will be running family camps between February and April 2004 and a further report on funding needs will be submitted to the Committee in the new year.

Recommendations:

1. That the Board reallocate part of the \$4,675 as follows:
 - a. \$1,000 Youth Forever Camp
 - b. \$750 for Christ Link Camp
2. That the Committee agrees in principle to provide funding support for the BCCSS and Burnside Community Trust family camps subject to confirming information on the programme being reported back to the Committee.

The meeting concluded at 9.18 am.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the report be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.