

## 2. ALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDS 2004/2005

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The purpose of this report is to provide background information for consideration in allocating Project Funds. A schedule of projects is attached separately, and in some cases additional background information is either included with the schedule, or will be provided at the meeting.

To assist the Board with allocation of its Project Funds to proposed projects, copies of the following are attached:

- Board's Objectives and Performance Measures
- Board Planning Statement
- Pie chart showing last year's allocations

### BACKGROUND

The projects on the schedule have been obtained from various sources, deputations to the Board during the year; community groups and/or individuals; Board members and staff. A number of items are a continuation of projects from the previous year. It will be recalled that an additional \$50,000 added to the Board Project Funds is specifically to support existing community workers employed by not for profit organisations, or the employment of new positions, either Board funded or jointly funded by other organisations. It was indicated at the time the additional funding was provided that it would allow Boards to fund such positions for more than one year, thereby giving the positions security for that period and the opportunity to develop the project.

The Council has again also allocated each Board area \$40,000 for Strengthening Communities (SCAP).

### PROCESS FOR ALLOCATING FUNDING

On 2 December 2003 the Board met to consider a process for allocating its 2004/05 Project Funds. At that meeting a presentation was given on progress regarding the Council's community outcomes for the LTCCP. A copy of the community outcomes was tabled. In looking at those outcomes, the Board identified those which were preferred community outcomes for Spreydon/Heathcote, and which most closely aligned to its Outcomes.

The preferred community outcomes identified by Board members were as follows:

- Employment (Income and Paid Work)
- Health
- Housing and Living Standards
- Social Connectedness & Identity
- Natural Environment
- Arts Culture & Fun
- Safety from Crime
- Education

Board Outcomes:

- Environment
- Healthy Democratic Processes
- Empowered Community
- Heritage Protected
- Communication
- Infrastructure - Built

Members undertook to prioritise these outcomes independently, and the following represents their responses:

<b>Community Outcomes</b>	<b>Ranking by individual Board members – 1 being the most important</b>						
Employment	4			13	1	9	8
Health	1			12		3	2
Housing	2	9		11		8	7
Social Connectedness & Identity	5	7	3	3		1	1
Natural Environment	11	5				3	11
Healthy Democratic Processes	6	3	7	4			9
Empowered Community	8	6	5	1	4		3
Arts, Culture & Fun	13	4	6	9	5	4	13
Environment	10		1	5	3		10
Infrastructure (streets, lighting, parks)	14	1		7		7	14
Heritage	12	2	4	6		5	5
Safety from Crime	9		2	8		6	12
Education	3		9	10	2	3	4
Communication	7	8	8	2		2	6

The table above reflects individual priorities, which does not provide a clear indication in any one area as a priority for the Board as a whole.

## PRESENTATIONS TO BOARD

At the meeting on 2 December 2003, the Board also received a number of submissions from community groups outlining the purpose and work of their respective organisations. These groups were generally new groups/projects not previously considered or funded by the Board. The minutes of the 2 December meeting briefly outline each groups' presentation. The presentation from Spreydon Youth Club representative, was on behalf of the youth organisations collective.

## FUNDING BREAKDOWN

### Explanatory Note:

Each year the Board is provided with a total of \$390,000 for allocation as follows:

	\$	\$
		390,000
Specifically tagged for projects aligned to Strengthening Communities (SCAP)	40,000	350,000
Discretionary fund for disbursement throughout the year(traditionally \$50,000)	50,000	300,000
Project Fund for allocation to projects meeting the Board's objectives and Council policies - \$50,000 of which is to be specifically tagged for supporting the salary of community workers	300,000	Nil

### Project Funds 2004/2005 - \$390,000

- **Strengthening Communities (SCAP) \$40,000**

The Board has delegated responsibility for allocating this funding to the SCAP Committee which has representatives from within the community as well as the Community Board.

- **Support/Employment of Community Workers \$50,000\***

Additional funding from Council and must be allocated at this time. The schedule indicates which projects could be allocated from this fund.

- **Discretionary Fund \$50,000**

Up to \$60,000 can be withheld for allocation throughout the year to any projects as decided by the Board.

- **Project Fund \$300,000\***

**Recommendation:** That the Board consider and comment on each of the projects on the attached schedule.