

**SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE STRENGTHENING  
COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN (SCAP) COMMITTEE  
29 AUGUST 2005**

**A meeting of the Spreydon/Heathcote SCAP Committee  
was held on Monday 29 August 2005 at 5.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Phil Clearwater (Chairperson), Oscar Alpers, Bruce Harding,  
Jan Rogers and Doug Sheppard.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Jane Parrett (Community Development Adviser), Ingrid de Meyer  
(Community Development Adviser) and Elaine Greaves (Community  
Board Secretary).

**APOLOGIES:** An apology for absence was received and accepted from Rob  
Patterson.

Bruce Harding arrived at 6.00 pm and was absent for part of clause 1.

The Committee reports that:

**1. KIWIHOST CANTERBURY – SERVICES ACROSS CULTURES**

Jan Simes, Manager of KiwiHost Canterbury, gave a presentation about the "Service Across Cultures" workshop that is available. The workshop's aim is to provide participants with a real understanding of the needs, preferences and expectations of the culturally diverse people with whom they work and who visit New Zealand. The workshop provides the basic skills for participants to confidently communicate, plus the skills to recognise the importance of understanding and respecting other cultures, customs and values. It was noted that there are currently 224 different nationalities living in Christchurch.

Public courses are advertised and comprise either a half or full day. Courses can also be held in-house and tailored to a company's specific needs. It is also possible to target particular occupations (eg teachers, health workers, etc). A half day course costs around \$175 per person, whilst the cost of

**3. COMMUNITY WATCH CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH**

The Committee considered information relating to an application for funding by Community Watch Christchurch South Incorporated for the purpose of general running costs of the car and a tailored training programme for volunteers.

The Committee **resolved**:

- (a) To allocate \$1,735 from its 2005/06 SCAP Fund to Community Watch Christchurch South for operational expenses.
- (b) To allocate an additional amount of up to \$965 for training, subject to receiving written confirmation of the training schedule and budget.

It was noted that Doug Sheppard had a conflict of interest of a non pecuniary nature and took no part in the decision-making.

It was suggested that the group be forwarded information relating to the Professional Development Fund.

**4. FIE TOKINI HOON HAY GROUP**

The Committee considered a report outlining a request for funding for the Fie Tokini Hoon Hay Group to pay for materials for this group to make Tapas and weaving.

The Committee **resolved** to allocate \$5,000 from its 2005/06 SCAP Fund towards the Fie Tokini Hoon Hay Group purchasing materials and equipment for the making of Tapas.

It was suggested that the group could be invited to participate in the upcoming Community Fiesta being held 4 November 2005.

**5. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Discussion took place around the need for the Committee to plan expenditure of its 2005/06 SCAP Fund alongside the Community Board's Discretionary Fund. It was noted that in the previous financial year funding applications were not at the "sharp, cutting edge" of community development projects. If the same scenario occurs this year, certain applications to the Community Board may be referred to the SCAP Committee. It was acknowledged that some applications should be considered by the Board at a political level in any event, then in certain circumstances referred to the SCAP Committee for consideration. Having said that, it should still be noted that the SCAP Committee is not a funding committee as such; allocations are made in light of priorities identified and projects which have been initiated by the Committee (ie cultural workshops).

The Committee also needs to revisit funding the community directory which is planned for the current financial year at a cost of approximately \$11-12,000).

**6. NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 10 October 2005 at 5.30 pm.

The meeting concluded at 6.50 pm