

SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD AGENDA

TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2007

AT 5.00 PM

**IN THE BOARDROOM
AT SOUTH LIBRARY, SERVICE CENTRE AND SOUTH LEARNING CENTRE
66 COLOMBO STREET**

Community Board: Phil Clearwater (Chairperson), Oscar Alpers, Barry Corbett, Chris Mene, Karolin Potter, Tim Scandrett and Sue Wells

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1. APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING REPORT – 6 NOVEMBER 2007

The report of the Board's inaugural meeting of Tuesday 6 November 2007 is **attached**.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Board's inaugural meeting of 6 November 2007 be confirmed.

**SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD
6 NOVEMBER 2007**

**A meeting of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board
was held on Tuesday 6 November 2007 at 5.10pm
in the Boardroom, Beckenham Service Centre**

PRESENT: Oscar Alpers, Phil Clearwater, Barry Corbett, Chris Mene,
Karolin Potter, Tim Scandrett and Sue Wells

The Board reports that:

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. WELCOME

At the commencement of the meeting, Mr Peter Mitchell, General Manager, Regulation and Democracy Services, representing the Chief Executive, extended a welcome to members of the Board, family members in attendance and to the public.

2. GENERAL EXPLANATION OF STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

The Board **received** a report by the Legal Services Manager on the provisions of the following legislation:

- (a) Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987,
- (b) Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968,
- (c) Sections 99, 105 and 105A of the Crimes Act 1961,
- (d) Secret Commissions Act 1910,
- (e) Securities Act 1978.

3. REPORT OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER

The Board **received** the Electoral Officer's report on the recent elections.

4. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS AS MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY BOARDS

The Community Board Adviser advised that at its installation meeting on 24 October 2007, the Council resolved to appoint Councillors Barry Corbett and Sue Wells to the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board for the 2007/10 term.

The Board **received** the information.

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5. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS ATTESTED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE SECRETARIAT MANAGER, REGULATION AND DEMOCRACY SERVICES, REPRESENTING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

All Board members then declared that they would faithfully and impartially, and according to the best of their skill and judgment, execute and perform, in the best interests of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community, the powers, authorities, and duties vested in or imposed upon them as a member of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board by virtue of the Local Government Act 2002, the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, or any other Act.

The Board member's declarations were signed in the presence of the Board and witnessed by the General Manager, Regulation and Democracy Services, on behalf of the Chief Executive..

6. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

The General Manager, Regulation and Democracy Services, called for a motion to determine the system of voting to be used to elect the Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson.

The Board **resolved** to adopt system A as outlined in the report in the agenda on the election of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson .

Nominations were then called for the position of Chairperson of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board, by way of the open voting system.

Mr Phil Clearwater was nominated by Oscar Alpers and seconded by Chris Mene.

Mr Chris Mene was nominated by Barry Corbett and seconded by Sue Wells.

Mr Phil Clearwater received 4 votes.

Mr Chris Mene received 2 votes.

Mr Clearwater was then declared duly elected as Chairperson of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board and assumed the chair.

7. DECLARATION OF CHAIRPERSON ATTESTED IN THE PRESENCE OF THE SECRETARIAT MANAGER REGULATION AND DEMOCRACY SERVICES, REPRESENTING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Mr Clearwater completed the Chairperson's declaration in the presence of the General Manager, Regulation and Democracy Services, representing the Chief Executive. Mr Clearwater thanked Board members for his nomination and advised that it would be a privilege for him to be Chairperson of the Board.

8. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board, by way of the open voting system.

Mr Chris Mene was nominated by Phil Clearwater and seconded by Oscar Alpers.

The Chairperson declared Mr Mene elected as Deputy Chairperson of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board.

9. FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BOARD

The Board **resolved** that the first ordinary meeting of the Board be held on Tuesday 27 November 2007 at 5.00 pm in the Boardroom, Beckenham Service Centre, 66 Colombo Street, Christchurch.

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10. COMMUNITY BOARD CHRISTMAS PARTY AND FAREWELL TO PAST BOARD MEMBERS

The Board **resolved** to hold a Christmas Party to which representatives of community groups be invited and that the possibility of a farewell for Paul DeSpa and Megan Woods to be held at the same time be investigated.

11. SOUTH LEARNING CENTRE

Mr Oscar Alpers tabled a formal question as follows:

“What is the current situation with funding for the Christchurch South Learning Centre and what is its expected future?”

The Board **resolved** to form a Committee to be entitled the Finance and Policy Committee comprising all Board members and that it convene a meeting on Tuesday 20 November at 5.00pm to consider funding and future arrangements for the South Learning Centre.

12. NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY BOARDS’ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Jenny Hughey, Community Board Adviser reported that nominations are being called for the positions of Zone 5 representative and deputy, for the New Zealand Community Boards’ Executive Committee.

The Board **resolved**:

1. That the entire Board consider nominations of suitable member candidates for election to the positions of Zone 5 Representative, and Deputy, for the New Zealand Community Boards Executive Committee.
2. That the Chairperson canvasses at the joint Community Board Chairs meeting the nomination of a suitable candidate.


Note:Chris Mene indicated that he was interested in being nominated for this position.

The meeting concluded at 5. 44pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 27TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2007

**PHIL CLEARWATER
CHAIRPERSON**

3. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

 Mr John Henry, Civil & Structural Engineer for Eliot Sinclair & Partners Limited on behalf of the residents of Grange Street.

4. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

5. NOTICES OF MOTION

6. CORRESPONDENCE

7. APPLICATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT SCHEME – MISS ANNA CONSTABLE

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8986
Officer responsible:	Unit Manager, Recreation and Sports
Author:	Loren Sampson, Community Recreation Adviser

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board's 2007/08 Youth Achievement Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by the applicant, a 12 year old girl who lives in the Beckenham area towards costs associated with representing New Zealand on the 'Koru Tour', travelling to Albury, New South Wales in January 2008.
3. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Community Board for support. It is noted that other members of the Constable family have received funding support from this funding scheme in previous years.

BACKGROUND ON ANNA CONSTABLE

4. Anna Constable is a 12 year old Christchurch South Intermediate student who has been invited by Basketball NZ to represent New Zealand on the 2008 'Koru Tour' from 11-20 January 2008. Koru teams are national level teams (under 14, 16 and 18) consisting of players who have been selected through a trial process to ensure the best players from across the country participate in the tournament.
5. Anna has been playing basketball competitively since 2004 and currently plays for the senior Christchurch South Intermediate Team. Her team is currently placed 4th in the boys A grade Friday competition. Anna has already represented Canterbury twice at age group level. Last year Anna went to the National U13 tournament as a bottom age player (11yr old) which is indicative of her ability. She is a current member of the U13 Canterbury Basketball A team.
6. Anna is committed to sport and has been for some time. Her coach states '...during games her athleticism and never say die attitude are inspirational to her team members and she is held in high regard by them. Her enthusiasm for sport is exceptional and she thrives in a competitive situation'.
7. To date Anna has fundraised approximately \$600 towards the cost of this trip. Anna has fundraised this money by assisting with the sausage sizzles that have been held at Centennial Park over the Winter soccer season. Further fundraising activities are also planned.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The following table details trip expenses and funding requested by the applicant. The current balance of the Youth Achievement Scheme fund is \$3,450.00

EXPENSES FOR ANNA CONSTABLE	Cost (\$)
Airfares and taxes	\$ 744.00
Accommodation and meals	\$ 993.00
Ground transport	\$ 290.00
Uniform	\$ 154.00
Tournament fees	\$ 130.00
Facility hire	\$ 158.00
Insurance and administration	\$ 181.00
Total Cost	\$ 2650.00

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Amount raised by applicant to date	\$ 600.00
Amount requested from Community Board	\$ 600.00

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

9. The applicant is seeking funding from the Community Board's 2007/08 Youth Achievement Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2007/08 Project Funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

10. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Aligns with pages 170 and 174 of the LTCCP regarding Community Board Project funding.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Application aligns with the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board allocate \$350 from the 2007/2008 Youth Achievement Scheme to Anna Constable to represent New Zealand on the 'Koru Tour' to New South Wales, Australia.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.

8. GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW TERM

General Manager responsible:	General Manager Regulation and Democracy Services, DDI 941-8549
Officer responsible:	Democracy Services Manager
Author:	Jenny Hughey, Community Board Adviser

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of the report is to seek the adoption of a governance structure for the Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. There are two options for the Board to consider for its governance structure for the new term.

Option One

3. A number of community boards over the previous term of the Council developed a programme of having two ordinary meetings in a calendar month. This allows for all items of business to be progressed on a regular basis and only debated on one occasion. The report of the Board meeting is then confirmed at the following fortnightly board meeting and then progressed to the next appropriate Council meeting. In addition to the decision-making Board meetings, seminar meetings can be scheduled for the conclusion of the Board meeting if necessary, or prior to the commencement of the Board meeting. Seminar meetings provide an opportunity for board members and staff to have an indepth discussion on issues where no decisions at that time are required.
4. In addition to meeting twice a month the Board could also decide to set up ad hoc committees to meet on an as required basis. These would not be standing committees. An adhoc committee may be established to consider a particular issue that needs more consideration eg the commissioning of a public artwork in the ward. Some for example include a Funding Assessment Committee (which has community representatives as well) to make decisions on the Small Projects Fund and a Liquor Licensing Committee to appear before the Licensing Authority or District Licence Agency and provide input when necessary.

Option Two

5. A second option is to decide to operate with a Standing Committee structure where committees have specific subject areas and consider all reports first. The Board would then have one ordinary meeting a month to which the reports of the committee meetings are put along with any urgent issues. If the Board adopts a committee structure then some reports where Council is making the decision but the matter has also been referred to the board (Part A reports) could be debated at three separate meetings by elected members. Variances include: giving one or more of the committees delegated authority (power to act); establishing the committees as a committee of the whole with all members being on the committees; or establishing the committees with three or four members only.

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Previous Board Term

6. This is the structure that the Spreydon/Heathcote Board operated in the previous term. All Board members were members of the Finance and Policy committee. Phil Clearwater and Oscar Alpers were members of the Strengthening Communities Action Plan Committee.

Committee	Areas of Responsibility
Finance and Policy Committee	<p>Overview and monitoring of Board's alignment to Council strategic goals and objectives. Including responsibility for the adoption of triple bottom line reporting processes and the application of Sustainable Christchurch principles.</p> <p>Allocation of project funds; submissions to annual plans; treaty matters and cultural diversity.</p> <p>Consultation and communication; community plans; residents' Group liaison and economic development and well-being.</p>
Strengthening Communities Action Plan Committee (with delegated authority for allocation of Board's SCAP Fund)	<p>To improve people's sense of belonging to, and being part of the community, by facilitating the building of social capital. Funding of projects and actions to achieve this aim.</p> <p>To improve the Spreydon/Heathcote communities' safety from crime to support community-based programmes, which enhance well-being. Funding of projects and actions to achieve this aim.</p> <p>To support individuals, communities and neighbourhoods to share by direct democracy in achieving the above aims and to have a meaningful participatory role in proactive community building. Funding of projects and actions to achieve this aim.</p>

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7. The Council has determined its meeting schedule for 2008. It will hold Council meetings on the second and fourth Thursday of the month with reports and recommendations from Community Boards on the agenda for the second Thursday of the month. The Council has requested that Community Boards, when considering their meeting arrangements, to as far as possible schedule Community Board meetings for week three of each month. There will also be a review of delegations to boards early in this term.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

8. Provision is made in the 2006 – 16 LTCCP on page 115 for the elected member representation and governance support.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

9. Clause 30 of Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that community boards may appoint committees that it considers appropriate and clause 32 (3) of the same schedule provides for community boards to delegate powers to a committee.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Page 111 of the LTCCP level of service under democracy and governance.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Not applicable.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board decide upon its governance structure.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

The Board has already decided to utilise the Finance and Policy Committee.

The work and involvement of the Community representatives on the former SCAP Committee should be clarified in a further report.

9. BOARD REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES

General Manager responsible:	General Manager Regulation and Democracy Services, DDI 941-8549
Officer responsible:	Democracy Services Manager
Author:	Jenny Hughey, Community Board Adviser

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to propose that the Board give consideration to the appointment of Board representatives on local outside organisations and committees.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. For the 2004/07 term, and in accordance with the practices before then, the Board is now invited to consider making appointments to the following local community organisations and committees:
 - Christchurch Streets and Garden Awards Committee (partnership between Christchurch City Council and Christchurch Beautifying Association)
 - Keep Christchurch Beautiful
 - Neighbourhood Support Canterbury
 - Ex Colombo Street Store and Land

Residents' Associations

Cashmere Residents' Association
 Cracroft Residents' Association Inc
 Huntsbury Residents' Association
 Addington Neighbourhood Association
 Sydenham Residents Group
 Beckenham Neighbourhood Association
 Opawa/St Martins Residents' Association
 Murray Aynsley Residents' Association
 Spreydon Ratepayers and Residents Association (Inc)
 Raceway Residents' Group
 Somerfield Residents Association

Community Groups

Rowley House
 Manuka Cottage
 Waltham Community Cottage
 Sydenham Community Development Project
 Whareora House of Life/Spreydon Community House
 Strickland Street Community Gardens
 Kingdom Resources Limited
 Addington Net

Community Centres

Landsdowne Community Centre
 Risingholme Community Centre Inc
 Cracroft Community Centre (Old Stone House)
 Somerfield Community Centre
 Centennial Hall
 Sydenham Community Centre
 Huntsbury Community Centre

Community Liaison/Network Meetings

Older Adults Network
 SAW Network (Spreydon, Addington, Waltham)
 Hoon Hay Network
 Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Network

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3. Where Board members are appointed to external organisations, their attendances at meetings will be covered by their elected member's salary. Thus there are no financial implications apart from mileage allowances for attending such meetings.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006/16 LTCCP budgets?

4. Not applicable

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

5. There are no direct legal issues involved.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006/16 LTCCP?

6. Not applicable

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES/POLICIES/BOARD OBJECTIVES

7. Contributes to the Council's 2006/16 Strategic Directions (Strong Communities) and Community Outcomes (Governance and Community).

Strengthening Communities Strategy 2007 – yes, alignment with the engagement components of this strategy.

Board's Objectives 2006/09 – yes, appointments made contribute to meeting various objectives for the period.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies/policies?

8. Yes, as per paragraph 8 above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

9. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board consider appointing representatives to outside organisations and committees listed in paragraph 2 above.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

10. APPROVAL OF BOARD SUBMISSION – REMUNERATION AUTHORITY SUBMISSION

The Board held an informal meeting on Monday 19 November 2007 to consider its submission to the Remuneration Authority for the payment of salaries, expenses and allowances to elected members. The **attached** submission was lodged on the 20 November 2007 and ratification of that action is requested.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve the Remuneration Authority submission and the action of the board in forwarding it to the remuneration authority be confirmed.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

The staff recommendation be supported.

19 November 2007

David Oughton
Chairman
Remuneration Authority
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WELLINGTON 6143

Dear David

SUBMISSION OF THE SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD TO THE REMUNERATION AUTHORITY

The remuneration recommended for Community Board chairs and members by Christchurch Council on 7 November 2007 is inherently unfair and wrong. The 2002 Local Government Act requires a greater emphasis on community participation and well being. This indicates an increased expectation for elected Community Board members to be responsive and proactive in their communities.

The decision by the Local Government Commission in 2004 to reduce the number of Christchurch City Councillors from 24 to 12 was partly due to the strength of the existing Community Boards to pick up the workload of local representation duties. (See Appendix 1). It was fundamental in the changes to the Local Government Act 2004 that better use would be made of the Community Boards.

A further reason for the increased workload has been Council's changed policy of appointing Community Board members in place of Councillors to some organisations when necessary. (See Appendix 2).

Remuneration Principles Adopted by Previous Council

At its 11 May 2006 meeting the Council adopted the following principles in relation to remuneration of elected members of the Christchurch City Council and its Community Boards:

Principle A: *Remuneration for any elected position should be such as to attract people to hold office within the Council's governance structure so that remuneration should not limit the diversity of representation for Councillor and Community Board positions.*

Comment: The City Council report of 7 November 2007 and the Council decision makes no attempt to apply Principle A to the Remuneration recommendation. Salaries with a reduction of 28.17% are unlikely to attract people to allow a diversity of representation.

Principle B: *Members with similar responsibilities should receive similar remuneration.*

Comment: The report gives no weighting to Banks Peninsula Boards' area populations being significantly less than the metropolitan board areas. The disparity of population, as shown in Table A, indicates a workload which is far from equal or just 20% less. In addition to representation the workload includes attending meetings of residents' associations besides visiting other community groups and individuals.

Principle C: *A differential rate of remuneration between the same class of elected member within the Council (eg Councillor, Community Board chair or Community Board member) should exist only where it can be justified by reference to relevant differences.*

Comment: There is nothing within the role of the Metropolitan Community Board chairs and members that has justified the significant, and in the case of members indeed severe reduction in salaries (minus 28.17 %) recommended by Council. The Banks Peninsula Board Chairs and members have been given very large increases (136% and 106%) without any change in their responsibilities.

It seems that no attempt was made by the Council to apply the Remuneration Authority's criteria of population (50%), expenditure (33%), and gross assets (17%) weightings.

Principle D: *Remuneration should be set at a level that acknowledges the impact that performing the role of an elected member has on personal lives and careers.*

Comment: Some Metropolitan Board members have taken at least a day out of their paid employment week. They now have a significant financial loss in that the proposed community board salaries are not commensurate with their primary income.

We submit that:

- (a) the large population differences between Metropolitan Christchurch and Banks Peninsula are critically relevant differences;
- and
- (b) these populations should have a 50% weighting factor.

The Council decision runs counter to the Remuneration Authority principles. From the Council decision it would follow that every Mayor and Councillor across New Zealand would receive the same remuneration (minus 20 per cent) on the basis they have the same responsibilities.

The remuneration should be related to other Local Authorities; for example Kaikoura District Councillors have much greater responsibilities than Banks Peninsula Community Board members in that they have the responsibilities of Councillors (setting LTCCP's, rates, and RMA issues).

The following Table A shows the disparities of population as represented by elected Community Board members:

Community	Land Area in Hectares	No of elected Community Board Members	Population 2006 Census	No of Residents per member
Akaroa/Wairewa	94,320	5	2,724	544
Burwood/Pegasus	4,540	5	57,018	11,403
Fendalton/Waimairi	10,610	5	52,959	10,591
Hagley/Ferrymead	5,800	5	55,272	11,055
Lyttelton/Mount Herbert	21,480	5	5,442	1,088
Riccarton/Wigram	9,800	5	60,825	12,165
Shirley/Papanui	9,660	5	60,144	12,028
Spreydon/Heathcote	4,490	5	54,051	10,810

The following Table B (from Council Report 11 May 2006) shows the disparities of population when both elected and appointed members are included:

Community	Land Area in Hectares	No of Members (including both elected and appointed members)	Population 2006 Census	No of Residents per member
Akaroa/Wairewa	94,320	6	2,724	454
Burwood/Pegasus	4,540	7	57,018	8,145
Fendalton/Waimairi	10,610	7	52,959	7,565
Hagley/Ferrymead	5,800	7	55,272	7,896
Lyttelton/Mount Herbert	21,480	6	5,442	907
Riccarton/Wigram	9,800	7	60,825	8,689
Shirley/Papanui	9,660	7	60,144	8,592
Spreydon/Heathcote	4,490	7	54,051	7,721

We agree with the Shirley-Papanui Community Board that City Community Board chairs and members take a much smaller reduction than that proposed by the Council, with Banks Peninsula chairs' salaries being increased by 55% and Bank Peninsula Members increased by 57%.

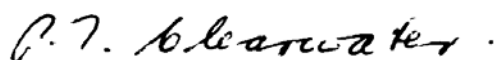
We support the suggestion of a reduction in remuneration by 5% for the City Community Board chairs and by 3.5% for City Community Board members.

We support the Shirley-Papanui Community Board's proposal as shown in the following Table C:

	Previous Term	Proposed by Council	Proposed by the Shirley/Papanui Community Board
City Community Board Chairs	\$35,786	\$33,604	\$34,056
Banks Peninsula Community Board Chairs	\$11,392	\$26,884	\$17,700
City Community Board Members	\$22,410	\$16,096	\$21,656
Banks Peninsula Community Board Members	\$6,262	\$12,877	\$9,860

We agree with and support the section in the Christchurch City Council's report dated 7 November 2007 on the Expenses and Allowances part of remuneration for Community Board members.

Yours sincerely



Phil Clearwater
Chairperson
Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board

Appendix 1

Local Government Commission's Comments in Decision to Reduce the Number of Councillors.

"29. Given that the City has complete community board coverage, and that the community boards have comprehensive delegations and are seen by both the Council and those who made submissions to the review as generally effective in dealing with local issues, the Commission reached the decision that a Council comprising 12 members and the Mayor will be effective in dealing with City-wide issues as well as providing effective representation for the residents of the City." (LGC Decision 2004 on Christchurch Representational Review).

Appendix 2

Appointments to Outside Organisations by City Council

Appointments to Outside Organisations

The Subcommittee recognised that with the reduction in the total number of Councillors, there would not be the same number of Councillors available for appointments to outside organisations as there had been in the past.

After discussion the Subcommittee agreed that the following criteria should apply to requests for Councillors to be appointed to outside organisations:

- What is the extend of Council funding of the organisation (ongoing, significant)?
- Is there statutory provision that the appointment is compulsory?
- If the appointment is requested by way of a constitution or trust deed which is not compulsory, then the appointment needs to meet one or more of the other criteria.
- The impact or relationship with Council activities or the Council's strategic interests.
- If the appointment is to be during the establishment phase or during a crisis management phase of an organisation, therefore a fixed time only.
- That the appointment adds value as a Councillor, as distinct from any other appointee.
- That appointees, instead of Councillors, could be a Community Board member, staff (if approved by the Chief Executive) or a member of the public. In that situation, the following additional criteria could be relevant:
 - local interest in the matter
 - particular interest of a Community Board member
 - particular skills or expertise.

11. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Community Board Adviser will update the Board on current issues.

11.1 Next ordinary meeting dates and date for Finance and Policy Committee meeting.

12. BOARD MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Board members will be provided with an opportunity to give an update on community issues/activities.

13. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS.