

4. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board Out of School Programmes

Bob Todd, Chairperson, and Brendan Smith from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board attended and spoke to the Committee on points arising from the evaluation of Out of School Programmes report. They noted that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board allocated a large portion of its project funding to out of school programmes and stated that these should be funded on a metropolitan basis. They made a comparison with what other Community Boards funded over the last two years and noted that some Boards provided less funding for out of school programmes. They said they would advise local Members of Parliament that they considered the Ministry of Social Development should be providing more funding for out of school programmes.

They questioned how programmes could attract children most in need of a programme, not just those who are first in line. They noted that on some of the programmes in their area there were three times the number of children on a waiting list as were on the programme.

The Committee asked the Board to provide it with the number of children on waiting lists for out of school programmes, to indicate whether another programme was needed in the Hagley/Ferrymead community.

This clause refers to clause 1.