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**REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE
SHIRLEY PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD
23 JULY 2008**

PART A - REPORTS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. SHIRLEY/PAPANUI STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING 2008/09



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Council for its approval the Shirley/Papanui Community Board recommendations for its Strengthening Communities Fund for 2008/09.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council adopted the Strengthening Communities Strategy on 12 July 2007. The Strategy incorporated the Community Group Grants Review which provided the framework, principles and funding outcomes for the new Strengthening Communities Grants Funding Programme. This programme replaces the Project and Discretionary Funding process as previously used by the community boards.
3. The Strengthening Communities Grants Funding Programme comprises four new funding schemes, which supersede all previous community group grant schemes, sub-schemes and categories. The new schemes are:
 - (a) Strengthening Communities Fund
 - (b) Small Projects Fund
 - (c) Discretionary Response Fund
 - (d) Community Organisations Loan Scheme
4. The new funding schemes enable Council and its community boards to support and provide leverage opportunities for not-for-profit, community focused groups seeking funding in support of their community endeavours. Detail of the outcomes, priorities and criteria of the new scheme are included in the background section of this report.
5. This report deals specifically with the Board's allocations for the Strengthening Communities Fund for Shirley/Papanui. The total available for the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to allocate in 2008/09 is \$280,000.

The Decision Matrix

6. Detailed information on each applicant's project was presented in a Decision Matrix. The matrix named the organisation applying for funding and clearly described the individual project applied for, including up to four project goals that would be delivered via the project. Details of alignment with Council strategies and Board objectives was provided as well as historical background to projects and applicants where applicable. The matrix also included staff recommendations for funding.
7. Under the Strengthening Communities Funding Scheme, organisations were asked to make applications for 'project-based' costs, in order to show where ratepayers money was being spent and what outcomes were being achieved. As such, organisations may have made more than one application in order to fund separate projects and deliver a range of services.

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8. A draft matrix was presented to the Board at a seminar meeting, where no decisions were made, on 10 June 2008. This enabled the Board and staff to discuss the projects, clarify any issues and seek further information if necessary. A second seminar was held on 8 July to answer questions raised at the first seminar.
9. The final matrix attached to this report includes 26 applications for funding with a total amount requested of \$356,435 and a total amount recommended by staff of \$259,700.

Key Local Organisations

10. Each Board may nominate Key Local Organisations (KLOs) in its area that are put forward to the Metropolitan Funding Committee for consideration for metropolitan funding. Details of the KLOs are not included in the matrix, unless they are referred back to the Board from the Metropolitan Funding Committee.
11. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board has three nominated KLOs for 2008/09:
 - Papanui Youth Development Trust
 - St Albans Residents Association
 - Shirley Community Trust

Timeline and Process

12. Following the Board decisions at its meeting on 23 July 2008, the agreed allocations are then forwarded to Council for final approval in August 2008. All groups will then be informed of the decisions and funding agreements will be negotiated where relevant. All funding approved is for the period of September to August each year, therefore grants will be paid out in early September 2008.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

13. Each Christchurch city community board has \$280,000 to allocate in its Strengthening Communities Funding for the 2008/09 year. The Board may approve one, two or three year funding for particular organisations if it wishes. Each city community board also has \$85,000 to allocate through the Small Projects Fund process and \$60,000 available in its Discretionary Response Fund, both of which are dealt with separately to this process and report.

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

14. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

15. Yes. Community Board funding decisions are forwarded to Council for final approval.

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?

16. Yes. Strengthening Communities Funding and Community Board Funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

17. Yes, Page 59 of the LTCCP, Strategic Direction, Strong Communities; and the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

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CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

18. No external consultation needs to be undertaken, although staff have discussed funding applications with those groups that have submitted the applications.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve allocations for Shirley/Papanui Community Board Strengthening Communities Funding for 2008/09.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve the allocations recommended by the Shirley/Papanui Community Board for its 2008/09 Strengthening Communities Funding, as follows:

No.	Group	Project	Amount Allocated	Board Comment/Criteria
1	Belfast Community Network Inc	Contribution to the manager's salary costs	\$20,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
2	Belfast Community Network Inc	Provision of administration support services for the Belfast Community Network through the employment of a part time Office Administrator. Initial contribution towards wages for this new role	\$8,500	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
3	Belfast Community Network Inc	To organise and run a free Waitangi Day event at Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. Contribution to the cost of the event.	\$5,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
4	Belfast School	Belfast pool run and managed by the Belfast School. School pool which is open to community	\$0	Declined on staff advice that the previous Council funding will still apply for this year because the project is not sufficiently advanced for the school to take over the management. The Council will maintain the pool over the next two summer seasons.
5	Christchurch Methodist Central Mission	Salary costs of Family Support Worker position with Aratupu	\$10,400	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p> <p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>

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6	Community Development Unit	Shirley development project - been ongoing in the area since 2000.	\$12,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
7	Community Support Unit - Community Engagement	Community Board Awards, Events and Projects: Community Garden Pride Awards: \$3,000 Community Service Awards: \$4,000 Neighbourhood Week: \$10,000 Heritage Week: \$7,000	\$24,000	The Board agreed to provide the recommended funding (which was additional to that requested) which may be used for any one of the stated projects or events. Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
8	Crossroads Youth with a Future Trust	To continue to run the Get Real Stay Real group at Shirley Intermediate	\$5,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
9	Community Board Support Team - Papanui	A Shirley/Papanui Community Symposium 2009: This would be held for the Community organisations within the Shirley/Papanui Ward.	\$10,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
10	Neighbourhood Trust	Global contribution towards wages/salaries; administration costs, volunteer training, Golden Division, Parenting programmes, courses, and Mairehau Community Newspaper.	\$33,492	Ngaire Button declared an interest in this item and abstained from the discussion and voting thereon.
11	Northgate Community Services Trust	Ongoing Project for a Community Youth worker employed for 32 hours per week.	\$12,308	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.

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12	One Step Ahead (He Whetoko Trust)	Contribution to salary costs	\$10,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
13	OSCAR in St Albans	Salary costs for Project Coordinator / Childcare Assistant.	\$0	<p>STAFF RECOMMENDATION: \$5,000.00</p> <p>BOARD RECOMMENDATION: Declined in view of the Board's agreement to not fund OSCAR programmes and an expectation that Ministry of Social Development funding should be sufficient.</p> <p>Item 13: Yvonne Palmer moved, seconded by Ngaire Button, that the recommendation for funding be declined. The motion was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 1 by four votes to three, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (4): Ngaire Button, Megan Evans, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (3): Pauline Cotter, Aaron Keown, Matt Morris.</p>
14	Papanui Baptist Church Community Services Freedom Trust	Salary for our part-time Community Support Worker.	\$10,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
15	Papanui Youth Development Trust	Subsidy of \$6,000 towards the cost of running the Whakaoho Community event in April 2009.	\$6,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>
16	Parish of St Albans (St Matthews Church)	Music programme for children	\$9,000	<p>Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows:</p> <p>For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.</p>

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17	Recreation and Sports Unit	Programmes for people with disabilities, for enhanced access to recreation programmes in the area.	\$5,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
18	Recreation and Sports Unit	Shirley /Papanui Youth Recreation including	\$31,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
19	Recreation and Sports Unit	Children's Day event.	\$4,000	The Board noted that funding history in the matrix was incorrect. Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
20	Shirley Community Trust	A contribution towards the running of Community Events and Projects	\$22,500	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
21	Shirley/Papanui Community Board (Dr Matt Morris)	Schools Edible Gardens Event (Summer 2008/09): To assist two schools in the Shirley/Papanui area to develop and maintain gardens as learning resources	\$5,000	Matt Morris abstained from voting on this item.
22	Shirley Primary School	Counsellor costs. Partnership with Family Works Support (Presbyterian Support)	\$10,000	Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.

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23	Styx Living Laboratory Trust	To continue to expand opportunities for research and learning within the Styx catchment by maintaining and expanding the volunteer community monitoring programmes	\$19,000	The Board agreed that the funding of \$19,000 was to enable \$10,000 for the operation of the Trust, \$8,000 to fund two summer scholarships and \$1,000 towards the Trust's website upgrade. Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
24	Te Ora Hou Otautahi Incorporated	To run Tane and Wahine Out of School programmes for predominantly Maori and Pacific Island young people	\$7,800	There is a need for advocacy to obtain central government assistance.
25	Recreation and Sports Unit	Funding to provide a memorial celebrating Graham Condon's sporting achievements in the foyer area of the Graham Condon Leisure Centre.	\$0	STAFF RECOMMENDATION \$7,000.00 BOARD RECOMMENDATION Declined. Funding should be provided by Council or alternatively from the project's funding. It was noted that funding was not required until 2009/10. Items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25: A motion to approve the funding allocation was put to the meeting and declared carried on division 2 by six votes to one, the voting being as follows: For (6): Ngaire Button, Pauline Cotter, Megan Evans, Matt Morris, Yvonne Palmer, Norm Withers. Against (1): Aaron Keown.
26	Community and Youth Development Trust	Partial funding for three 24/7 youth workers' salaries and programme expenses in Shirley Boys' High School from September 2008 to August 2009	\$0	STAFF RECOMMENDATION \$0 BOARD RECOMMENDATION That the Staff Recommendation be adopted. Youth workers have not been identified and the school has no knowledge of any appointments.
	Total Recommended		\$280,000	

Notes:

- (a) On the recommendation of Megan Evans, the Board **resolved** that the Deputy Chairperson, Pauline Cotter chair the meeting.

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BACKGROUND

19. The following funding outcomes have been used to evaluate and assess applications to the Strengthening Communities Fund:
 - Support, develop and promote the capacity and sustainability of community recreation, sports, arts, heritage and environment groups;
 - Increase participation in and awareness of community, recreation, sports, arts, heritage and environment groups, programmes and local events;
 - Increase community engagement in local decision making;
 - Enhance community and neighbourhood safety;
 - Provide community based programmes which enhance basic life skills;
 - Reduce or overcome barriers to participation; and
 - Foster collaborative responses to areas of identified need.
20. The following priorities have been taken into consideration when assessing applications:
 - Older Adults;
 - Children and Youth;
 - People with Disabilities;
 - Ethnic and Culturally Diverse Groups;
 - Disadvantaged and / or Socially Excluded;
 - Capacity of Community Organisations; and
 - Civic Engagement.
21. Each community board's objectives were also taken into consideration when assessing applications.
22. Core criteria for applicants to the Strengthening Communities fund are:
 - Not-for-profit, community-focused groups/organisations;
 - Legal status;
 - Based in the Christchurch City Council area and programmes primarily for Christchurch residents;
 - No unresolved previous accountability requirements and no overdue debts to the Council;
 - Must provide evidence of the project need;
 - Must have appropriate financial management, accounting, monitoring & reporting practices;
 - Applications must show evidence of authorised approval to seek funding from the Council; and
 - Must have sound governance, operational capacity and capability to deliver.
23. Boards have the option to give one, two or three year funding terms to applicants that demonstrate competency and have a track record in operating and delivering projects according to the above criteria.
24. In making recommendations, and so as to ensure the consistency of recommendations with regard to all applications, staff held inter-unit collaboration meetings. At the meetings, individual applications were discussed and critically assessed. The meetings included staff members from Community Development, Community Engagement, Recreation and Sports, Greenspace and Democracy Services.
25. All applications appearing on the Decision Matrix have been assigned a Priority Rating. The current Priorities Ratings are as follows:

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1. Meets all eligibility and criteria and contributes **significantly** to Funding Outcomes and Priorities.
2. Meets all eligibility and criteria and contributes to Funding Outcomes and Priorities.
3. Meets all eligibility and criteria and has **minimum** contribution to Funding Outcomes and Priorities.

**MEGAN EVANS
CHAIRPERSON**