SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD 16 MARCH 2010

Report of a meeting of the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board held on Tuesday 16 March 2010 at 5.09pm in the Boardroom, Beckenham Service Centre, 66 Colombo Street, Christchurch.

- **PRESENT:** Phil Clearwater, (Chairperson), Oscar Alpers, Barry Corbett, Chris Mene, Karolin Potter, Tim Scandrett and Sue Wells.
- APOLOGIES: Chris Mene retired at 5.45pm during clause 5 and was absent for clauses 6, 7, 8 9, 11, 12 and 13.

The Board reports that:

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

Nil.

2. PETITIONS

The Board received a petition from retailers at 140 Colombo Street, in the new Beckenham Central shopping complex, requesting the removal of one car park space to enable an entry from Tennyson Street (whilst retaining the exit onto Tennyson Street). The petitioners also requested a painted/flush median on Tennyson Street to assist with traffic turning into the shopping complex.

The Board **decided** to request staff to consider these proposals in the report to the Board regarding 140 Colombo Street matters.

3. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 A letter was received from Neil and Jill Clark, residents of Acorn Close, concerned with a protected Gum Tree located in the Acorn Reserve, adjacent to their property.

Staff advised the Board that a report will be presented to the Board in the near future.

4.2 The Board **received** a letter from Thorrington School, Board of Trustees, regarding the relocation of a bus stop outside the school property.

Staff advised the Board that a meeting had been held between the School Board and Council staff and that the matter had been resolved.

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5. BRIEFINGS

5.1 Mr Steve McCarthy, Unit Manager of Environmental Policy and Approvals Unit briefed the Board on the work of his Unit, which includes the issue of building and resource consents, building warrants of fitness and leaky homes matters.

The Board discussed current trends in housing developments and levels of service the Unit provides to the public.

5.2 Mr Gary Lennan, Unit Manager of Inspections and Enforcement Unit was unable to attend this Board meeting to brief the Board.

6. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD 2008/09 STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUND, SMALL GRANTS FUND AND DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND – END OF PROJECT ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS.

The Board considered a report detailing the end of project accountabilities for the Strengthening Communities, Small Grants and Discretionary Response funding schemes covering the 2008/09 period.

Following questions from members, the Chairperson thanked the local staff for their efforts in preparing the report.

The Board **decided** to receive the end of project 2008/09 accountability reports covering the Strengthening Communities Fund, Small Grants Fund, Discretionary Response Fund and the Key Local Project.

7. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE

The Board received an update from the Community Board Adviser on forthcoming Board related activities.

8. ELECTED MEMBERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Mention was made of the following matters:

- The success of the Ports Hills Park Trust Board and Mt Vernon Management Committee ceremony celebrating 25 years.
- That the following suggestion be passed onto appropriate staff: The possibility of Community Gardens working with Ellerslie Flower Show exhibitors to utilise display plants at the conclusion of the Show and potentially adopting small areas of public land in the community to brighten up.
- The need to hold discussions with residents groups regarding how the Community Board should be interacting with the community.
- Tree matters in relation to the Donkey Track and Ernle Clark Reserve

The Board **decided** to hold meetings with Residents Groups to discuss Community Board interaction with the local community.

9. MEMBERS QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDERS

Nil.

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PART C - REPORT ON DELEGATED DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD

10. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING REPORTS

The Board **resolved** that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Board held on 5 March 2010 be confirmed.

11. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD'S 2009/10 DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND – SELWYN HOCKEY CLUB

The Board considered a report requesting funds from the 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund for the Selwyn Hockey Club.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board declines the request on the grounds that assistance with a Centennial Booklet is not an appropriate or effective way of meeting Board aims of increasing participation and achievement in club hockey.

The Board **resolved** to allocate up to \$1,200 from the Spreydon/Heathcote 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to Selwyn Hockey Club to assist with producing a Centennial booklet in May 2010 and archive of digital photographs, subject to sighting two additional quotations for the digital work on the photographs. Furthermore, that staff recommend that Selwyn Hockey Club apply for additional funding to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board.

Barry Corbett and Phil Clearwater requested that their vote against the resolution be recorded due to the fact that they supported allocation of the entire amount to the Selwyn Hockey Club.

12. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARDS STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING 2010/11 – BOARD BIDS

The Board considered a report detailing possible projects to be submitted as Board applications to the 2010/11 Strengthening Communities Fund round at the Board meeting on 13 July 2010.

The Board resolved:

(a) That the following projects be approved as Board applications to the 2010/11 Strengthening Communities Fund round:

Project (Brief description)	Amount
Community Awards and Events	\$11,000
Garden Pride Awards (\$3,000)	
This is a partnership between the Christchurch City Council and the Christchurch Beautifying Association (CBA) to acknowledge the work of residential gardeners who, by their efforts, have contributed to Christchurch's garden city image by beautifying their streets and garden frontages.	
Expenditure will be for certificates, catering, venue hire, photography and other associated administration costs.	
Judging is undertaken by the Christchurch Beautifying Association in January with a ceremony held in March/April 2011.	
Community Awards and Events Cont'd	

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Project (Brief description)	Amount
Neighbourhood Week (\$5,000)	
Neighbourhood Week is a week dedicated to getting to know the people who live close to you. It's about bringing people together, whether it's a small get together of a few households or a larger neighbourhood gathering.	
Neighbourhood Week is held over the last week of October and the first week of November each year.	
Those who participate in Neighbourhood Week feel a sense of community with their immediate neighbours, and they feel safer in their homes and with their children playing together in the street.	
Each year the Spreydon/Heathcote ward averages 50-60 applications with over 1,600 people participating.	
Community Service and Youth Awards (\$3,000)	
Community Service Awards are awarded to individuals and/or groups in recognition of significant voluntary service in the Spreydon/Heathcote ward. The awards recognise voluntary efforts in the following areas: youth, aged, education, cultural, church, recreation, sport, community service fields.	
The awards are advertised city wide and the Board receives all complying nominations and makes decisions on whom should be invited to receive an award.	
Expenditure will be for certificates catering, venue hire, photography, advertising, production of materials and other associated costs.	
Applications will be called for in February/March with the ceremony held in May/June 2011.	
Spreydon / Heathcote Community Events	\$14,000
 Hoon Hay Fiesta (\$6,000) This event is held every year initially on the first Friday in November, and more recently in late November due to clashes with Guy Fawkes and Show weekend. The event aims to celebrate the local community specifically the children and cultures that make up this neighbourhood. In the past it has been located at either Hoon Hay Park or Rowley School and in 2007 it was moved back to Hoon Hay Park. This was with the aim of bringing the Rowley and wider Hoon Hay residents together to celebrate their community. The event comprises community stalls (information stalls and stalls with fundraising goods for sale), free children's activities and stage performances from a range of school, community and cultural groups. The event is coordinated by a planning committee that is overseen by the CRA. Planning committee members in the past included staff from Rowley House, youth workers from Cross Over Trust, Principal of Rowley School, representative from the Ko Hanga Reo. In 2010/11 the CRA is planning to include a 'Skate Jam', as part of the Sport Canterbury Skate Series, at the event to appeal to the older youth. This would be preceded by a five week skate skills program in the park, funded by Sport Canterbury and the Recreation and Sports Unit. 	
Spreydon / Heathcote Community Events Cont'd	
Heathcote River Day (\$3,500)	

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Project (Brief description)	Amount
 This event is held every year in late November/early December and more recently in February (2008/09) and in March (2009/10). The aim of event is to get children, young people and their families to work as a team and utilise an outdoor recreational space (Heathcote River). Groups build their own raft and journey down the river. Prizes are awarded for various categories however; the event is about fun and participation as opposed to winning! The event is coordinated by a planning committee that is overseen by the CRA. Planning committee members in the past have included representatives from St Martins Scouts, Adventure Specialities Trust, 4YP, Waltham Youth Trust and Opawa Baptist Church. This event is very labour intensive and requires a good team of volunteers on the day to ensure the smooth running of the event over two kilometres. The event also requires a road closure and traffic management plan. Barrington Big Fun – biennial event not scheduled for 2011 	
Waltham Urban Fair – biennial event not scheduled for 2011.	
New Event (4,500) The Board should consider allocating funds for a 'trial event' based on needs and strengths in the Spreydon/Heathcote area, and following a review of the 2009/10 events. Some suggestions for a new event are a Skate Jam at Waltham Park, 'Camp Out' at Halswell Quarry, Extreme Sport on Port Hills, or Dance/ music event at Victoria Park.	
For example, in March 2009 RSU ran 'Victoria Park in Motion' (\$4,700). This event was held on a Sunday in early March and was aimed at people of all ages including families. This was a free event with activities such as guided walks with the Port Hills Rangers, a rural fire fighting display, mountain biking skills course and tips, have-a-go orienteering sessions, remote controlled model glider demonstrations and fun traditional activities such as three legged and egg and spoon races. A similar event was run in 2002 with low attendance due to poor weather. Participants at the 2009 event were satisfied with the event however, survey participants all named a different activity that they enjoyed the most. There is no parking at the event and people either had to walk, bike or catch one of the free event buses from the bottom of the hill. Buses were an extra expense. Access to the park may have limited the numbers that attended both events of this type.	
Youth Achievement Fund	\$7,500
 The Youth Achievement Scheme Fund provides small grants to eligible individuals. The purpose of the scheme is to celebrate and support young people living positively in the local community by providing financial assistance for their development. Applications to the fund will be considered in the following categories: Educational Studies Cultural Studies Representation at Events Recreational Development Capacity Building 	
The Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board seeks to acknowledge young peoples' effort, achievement and potential excellence in the community. Youth Achievement Fund Cont'd	
The criteria includes the following of note: - Applicants must be between the ages of 12 and 25 years. - Funding may include assistance towards travel costs.	

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Project (Brief description)	Amount
 Applicants must demonstrate that they have been actively pursuing other fundraising sources. Any funding provided will be limited to two grants per individual, and no more than one in any twelve month period. Successful applicants will be invited to report back to the Board following expenditure of their funding support. Applications are presented to the Board as a staff report written either by the Community Development Adviser or the Community Recreation Adviser. 	
Communicating with the Community	\$5,000
Communications with the community through a wide variety of means 2010/11	

- (b) Interpretation panels (\$10,000) for significant local sites, identified by the Board eg. Ernle Clark Reserve and Cashmere Forest Park
- (c) The development of a project focusing on the isolation and loneliness of older persons in the community (\$10,000).
- (d) That a Board Working Party including Karolin Potter and Tim Scandrett meet with staff to consider the new Board event initiative for inclusion in the 2010/11 Strengthening Communities Fund.

13. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE COMMUNITY BOARD SMALL GRANTS FUND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

The Board considered a report seeking whether or not it wished to appointment community representatives to its Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee for the 2010/11 funding round.

The Board **resolved**:

- (a) That the current five community representatives be asked to remain for the 2010/11 funding round. Furthermore, that this matter be re-considered in the new 2010/13 Community Board term.
- (b) That Karolin Potter, Tim Scandrett, Phil Clearwater and Chris Mene remain as members of the Small Grants Fund Assessment Committee for the 2010/11 funding round. Furthermore, that this matter be re-considered in the new 2010/13 Community Board term.

The meeting concluded at 7.48pm.

CONFIRMED THIS 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2010

PHIL CLEARWATER CHAIRPERSON