

# Introduction

This Community Plan is a first for the Christchurch City Council. Its purpose is to let the community know what the Council and Community Board intend to do in the Spreydon and Heathcote Wards in 1998/99 and following years. If it is successful, it is intended in future years to prepare a Community Plan for each of the six communities in Christchurch City, and to improve the format and content.



Every year the City Council issues an Annual Plan covering the whole city. This Community Plan contains extracts from Volume 2 of the City's Annual Plan in respect of local projects and expenditure, and even some metropolitan projects and expenditure of particular significance to the Spreydon-Heathcote community. It also contains additional information relevant to the community which is not contained in the City's Annual Plan.

The Council hopes that this will assist understanding of and participation in the planning of future Council activities and expenditure by residents, residents groups and other users of Council facilities and services.

The Community Board objectives for the year have been formulated following extensive consultation with community groups and a range of stakeholders in the two wards. The Board's objectives and its allocation of funds to specific projects which meet these objectives are detailed on pages 5 and 15-16. In addition to the project funds already allocated the Board has \$50,000 discretionary funds for allocation throughout the year.

The Community Plan is accompanied by two further volumes, 1 and 2, of the Council's Annual Plan. These deal with the wider metropolitan issues and include the Council's budget for the whole city.

As Chairman of the Spreydon-Heathcote Community Board I welcome your participation in planning for the future of your community as do all members of this Board.

The Board has an important role in representing the views of residents of Spreydon and Heathcote wards. It has a wide range of delegated powers in relation to local matters and an advisory or advocacy role in relation to metropolitan matters that affect us locally.

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