

RICCARTON BUSH TRUST BOARD

Cost of Service

1999/00 BUDGET \$		2000/01 BUDGET \$
190,000	Maintenance and Operating Costs	198,500
1,500	Depreciation	1,500
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191,500	Total Expenditure	200,000
(56,500)	External Income	(65,000)
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135,000	Balance by way of Council levy	135,000
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200,000	Capital Grant (from CCC)	100,000
200,000	Capital Expenditure	200,000

CCC = Christchurch City Council

Capital Expenditure

Projected Capital Expenditure 2000/01	200,000
Projected Capital Expenditure 2001/02	200,000

Nature and Scope

Riccarton Bush Trust manages a 6.35ha native bush remnant gifted to the people of Canterbury in 1914. The Trust also manages Riccarton House and its 5.75ha of grounds including Deans Cottage, the oldest building on the Canterbury Plains. The Trust employs 2.75 staff and receives administrative support from the Council.

Operations include:

- Conserving the unique native bush remnant;
- Ensuring controlled public access to the native bush;
- Promoting Riccarton House as a heritage and function centre;
- Promoting the entire reserve as a living history experience.

Relationship to the Council

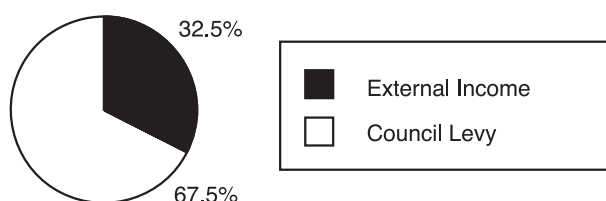
Incorporated under a 1914 Act of Parliament, the Riccarton Bush Trust has powers to levy the Christchurch City Council for funding to maintain and operate the Riccarton Bush, Riccarton House and its grounds. The Christchurch City Council appoints six of the nine members on the Trust Board. (See page 113.)

The Council's interest in the Trust is in accordance with its Strategic Objectives: A1, A3, A4 and A5 (see page 25).

Overall Service Objective

1. To protect, conserve, enhance and make accessible the lands described as 'Riccarton Bush' within the Act.

Sources of Funding



Objectives for 2000/01

2. Remove exotic plants and invasive *Hoheria Sexstylosa* from the Bush and re-establish/replant native species.
3. Provide further information panels, displays and brochures for visitor and educational use.
4. Establish joint venture "Learning Experience Outside the Classroom" programme with Canterbury Museum.
5. Establish exterior planned maintenance programme for Riccarton House.
6. Period furnishing of selected rooms in Riccarton House already restored and decorated.
7. Restore Riccarton House 1900 domestic wing and recreate period style attraction.
8. Design and begin installation of historical interpretation exhibition within first floor bedroom wing gallery.
9. Complete stage 3 of the landscape plan.
10. Improve house ground planting integrity and recreate features and period visitor attractions.

Performance Indicators

- 1.1 Conserve and enhance the property in accordance with the Act, conservation, landscape and management plans.
- 2.1 Staged programme in place for plant removal and replacement with native species.
- 3.1 To be completed in stages by December 2000.
- 4.1 Approved by Minister of Education and begins July 2000.
- 5.1 Begins September/October 2000.
- 6.1 Continuous programme based on item availability to June 2001.
- 7.1 To be finished December 2000.
- 8.1 Design completed September 2000, installation continues to June 2001.
- 9.1 By May 2000.
- 10.1 Continuous programme until June 2001.

Note: The Riccarton Bush Trust is a separate legal entity and is not therefore incorporated into the Financial Statements of the Christchurch City Council. The purpose of this page is to show the level of support by the City Council and the scope of the Trust Board activities.



Restoration work which is being completed within the historic Riccarton House