

5. Project Outline

The projects will be small one-off operational projects that will be identified and approved by the Tawa Community Board without the need for further approval of Council.

6. Conclusion

The Tawa Community Board has put significant effort into its visioning exercise, culminating in the preparation of its Draft Tawa Community Board Plan 2005 – 2007. The inclusion of a \$10,000 discretionary fund will enable the Tawa Community Board to meet some of the objectives outlined in this Plan. Initiatives are organised around Council's Key Achievement Areas and include investigating options for reducing graffiti, advocating to maintain a Community Constable in Tawa, investigating funding options for Youth, increasing street furniture and walking track improvements.

A number of other Councils in New Zealand (Dunedin City Council and North Shore City Council to name two) provide their Community Boards with limited amounts of discretionary funding. The practice is well established and quite within keeping of the terms of the Local Government Act 2002.

7. Recommendation

It is recommended that Council include a \$10,000 operating discretionary fund in the 2005/06 Annual Plan under Project C590 for expenditure in the Tawa Community Board's district.