Guiding Principles for Community Board Decision Making

Priorities	Actions	Decision Making model
1. **Community Development & Resilience**	• Advocate community priorities and communications to CCC and other relevant agencies • Promote, advocate and resource community development, resilience and social enterprise • Promote and advocate for Positive Youth Development • Support and maintain a current community database and directory • Support and resource community groups capability and skills • Grow and nurture local community leadership	
2. **Community Safety**	• Broker and support initiatives that contribute to neighbourhood and community safety with and between community organisations and government agencies	
3. **Economic Development**	• Broker, facilitate and support meetings with business and community sectors to define commonalities and begin to work together • Promote businesses and entrepreneurship, particular small businesses in our communities • Support community training and employment projects and initiatives	
4. **Emergency Preparedness and Responsiveness**	• Promote and support Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) activities. • Support CDEM co-ordination and resourcing of neighbourhood and community groups especially in priority areas of Brooklands, Shirley, St Albans and Spencerville • Support and empower our communities towards greater self sufficiency	
5. **Engagement & Communication**	• Develop a shared vision and action plan with and for our communities • Support community based communications ie newsletters • Encourage increased public attendance and participation at Community Board meetings • Provide public with information about Board and Council activities/processes and what the Community Board can do (i.e. deputations, advocacy) • Broker, coordinate and facilitate community networks, meetings and gatherings eg MP's • Keep listening to community aspirations, needs and priorities	
6. **Family & Community Services**	• Resource effective projects and initiatives focused on families, parenting, volunteering, integrated service approaches • Support collaboration of community groups and organisations	
7. **Healthy communities**	• Support public health (including mental health) initiatives especially to priority communities ie local food security, community gardens, exercise groups • Supporting initiatives that empower individuals, families and communities to be proactive and take responsibility for their own health	
8. **Learning & Development**	• Promote and resource community research, learning and development initiatives • Engage with and advocate to schools and Ministry of Education on behalf of community priorities and interests	
9. **Recreation, Places & Spaces**	• Support collaborative approaches to solutions for community facilities • Support the development of recreation projects and initiatives • Support sports clubs and community groups with multi-purpose places and spaces • Support community facilities in getting up to the building code • Advocate to Council for the development and completion of community and neighbourhood infrastructure planning • Support engagement with local land developers ie Belfast and Redwood	This 'Touchstone Document' is a guiding document for the Shirley Papanui Community Board (SPCB) and has been developed through an engagement process that emerged following the events of 22 February 2011. A SPCB *Towards Recovery Plan* was developed and implemented as a crisis response from April - August 2011. The SPCB then moved back to the previous network structure of engagement with our communities and a concentrated series of engagement to design and develop a plan of action with our local communities for the next 18months – 2years. Due to our dynamic environment there would need to be flex and responsiveness in any such plan. This one page Touchstone Document is our attempt to provide such a planning framework and it has come from an eight week period where Community Board members brokered, facilitated and attended a range of local events including service providers, local leaders and other stakeholders. The SPCB acknowledges the community leaders of Brooklands, Spencerville, Belfast, Shirley, St Albans and Papanui who have contributed to this document. Special thanks to Dr Phil Driver and Professor Bruce Glavovic for sharing their expertise and to Peter Croucher and Shirley Papanui staff for their support in coordination and administration of the engagement processes.
10. **Supporting Vulnerable People**	• Raise awareness and advocate issues of vulnerable people in our communities especially Children, Youth, Older people, People with disabilities, migrants and refugees • Promote, advocate and resource positive social initiatives • Monitor and communicate community and social housing needs	

These Guiding Principles for Community Board Decision Making were endorsed by the Shirley Papanui Community Board on 29 February 2012