

#### 4. REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE: 5 NOVEMBER 2003

**Officer responsible**  
Community Advocate

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The purpose of this report is to submit the following report and recommendations for the Board's consideration.

**Report of the Community Policy and Finance meeting held on Wednesday 5 November at 9.00am in the Boardroom, Linwood Service Centre.**

**Present:** Linda Rutland (Chair), David Cox, and Bob Todd.

**Apologies:** An apology was received and accepted from John Freeman.

##### 4.1 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING: YOUTH FOR CHRIST

**Officer responsible**  
Leisure Manager

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The purpose of this report is to enable the Board to consider a request for discretionary funding from Youth for Christ. Five hundred dollars is being sought to enable five talented youths from the Hagley and Ferrymead wards in need of monetary assistance to attend the Ignite Sports Academy Camp.

##### **BACKGROUND**

Youth for Christ in conjunction with Te Ora Hou is organising the Ignite Sports Academy Camp to be held from 18 – 21 December 2003. The residential camp is made up of 3 components including:

- Coaching clinics for 5 different sport disciplines (rugby, touch, netball, basketball and volleyball);
- Workshops to increase awareness of all aspects of training, including nutrition, sport psychology and massage;
- 'All In' sessions (fitness sessions, inter team comps, a quiz evening and athlete panels).

An impressive line up of top coaches have been secured for the Academy including Marg Foster (Flames coach), Vilimaina Davu (World Champion Silver Fern), Lee Golding (Rugby) and Rebecca Wardell (Athletics). The Academy is open to youth from all over Christchurch and Youth for Christ is applying to Community Boards, local businesses and service clubs to raise the funding required to stage the camp.

The cost of the four-day residential camp is \$180 per person and Youth for Christ is requesting \$500 to provide five \$100 scholarships to young people in need of monetary assistance. Participants receiving scholarships from Board funding would be selected from secondary schools within the Hagley and Ferrymead wards including Linwood College, Avonside Girls and Hagley High Schools. The budget and accounts have been circulated separately to Board members.

##### **DISCUSSION**

The Academy would offer a few selected youth, without the financial means to attend otherwise, an exciting opportunity to develop their talents within what appears to be a highly supportive, professional and focused environment. Quality, intensive camps such as this result in meaningful learning that may not otherwise occur. Youth for Christ has taken the initiative to apply to a wide range of funding sources, which also assists in raising greater community awareness and responsibility for supporting talented young sports people.

##### **CONCLUSION**

The Board may wish to add its support to this initiative to assist more youth from the Hagley and Ferrymead wards to gain places on the camp.

**Committee**

- Recommendation:**
1. That staff obtain information about any requests for funding for this project that may have been made to other Council funds and the availability of metropolitan funding for this project.
  2. That the Board consider whether it wants to allocate \$500 from its discretionary funding to Youth for Christ for the purpose of funding five youths from the Hagley and Ferrymead wards to attend the Ignite Sports Academy.

**Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the recommendations be adopted.

**4.2 COMMUNITY EVENTS AND SPECIAL DAYS FUND 2003/2004: UPDATE**

The Committee **received** a report updating the Committee on funds allocated from the community events and special days fund in the current financial year.

**Committee**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

**Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

**4.3 FERRYMEAD BROOKHAVEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION: REQUEST FOR FUNDING**

The Committee considered a request from the Ferrymead Brookhaven Residents' Association seeking funding from the Board's community events and special days fund for its Christmas event. The Committee **resolved** to allocate \$100 to the Ferrymead Brookhaven Residents' Association for its Christmas event and to underwrite a further \$100 for the event should the Association be able to secure children's entertainment for the event.

**Committee**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

**Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

**4.4 TRANSFER OF FUNDS: NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK EVENTS**

The Committee **resolved** to transfer \$342 from the community events and special days fund to the community response fund to reimburse the following grants for Neighbourhood Week events which have been paid out of the community response fund:

- Freedom Preston-Clark: Top Town Neighbourhood Week event (Richmond area) - \$97.00
- Dr Karen Mathias, Public Health Medicine Registrar at the Family Violence Intervention project: muffins and coffee for hosting a neighbourhood meeting (Armagh St area) - \$45
- Duncan Wilson: Neighbourhood Barbeque - Manchester Street/Bealey Ave - \$100
- East Sector Health: Whakawhanaungatanga Day - \$100

**Committee**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.

**Chairperson's**

**Recommendation:** That the information be received.