5. BISHOPDALE/HAREWOOD SCOUT GROUP – FUNDING APPLICATION

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide information in relation to an application for funding from the Bishopdale/Harewood Scout Group for \$888 from the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's 2005/06 discretionary funds.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The Bishopdale/Harewood Scout Group has submitted an application for an emergency grant to cover the replacement of the electrical switchboard in their Raleigh Street Scout Den.
- 3. They have sought professional advice and for safety reasons it has been recommended that the switchboard be replaced urgently.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. The organisation has applied for funding that can be sourced from the Board's 2005/06 discretionary funds.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

Approve the application for funding from the Bishopdale/Harewood Scout Group and to allocate \$888 from its 2005/06 discretionary funds.

CHAIRMAN'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

BACKGROUND ON THE BISHOPDALE HAREWOOD SCOUT GROUP

- 5. The Bishopdale/Harewood Scout group is based at the Scout Den in Raleigh Avenue, Bishopdale. This group has been operating since 1963. They currently work with approximately 100 families.
- 6. Their main objective is to work with children and youth in the Bishopdale/Harewood area to develop physical, mental, and social skills which help them to become well rounded adults that contribute to society.
- 7. The organisation undertakes regular fundraising efforts however these funds are targeted at specific programmes run during the year. The cost of the new switchboard was unexpected and not budgeted for.

OPTIONS

- 8. In relation to this application the Community Board could choose to:
 - a) grant \$888 to the Bishopdale/Harewood Scout group
 - b) grant a portion of the amount requested
 - c) decline the application