

**9. RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT OF 25 JANUARY 2006 MEETING**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to submit the outcomes of the Community Services Committee meeting held on Wednesday 25 January 2006.

The meeting was attended by Tony Sutcliffe (Chairperson), Neville Bennett, Helen Broughton, Lesley Keast, Peter Laloli and Mike Mora.

1. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

The Committee received an application, through the Community Recreation Adviser, for financial assistance to Olivia Robin, a young person who had been selected to represent New Zealand at the World Irish Dancing Championships, to be held in Ireland from 31 March to 29 April 2006.

The application met the criteria of the Board's Youth Development Scheme; the Committee was supportive of the application, and their recommendation is recorded under clause 4 of this report.

2. SOCKBURN SWIMMING CLUB – REQUEST FOR FUNDING

The Community Recreation Adviser presented a report seeking Board approval to an application from the Sockburn Swimming Club for funding towards teaching and office equipment that was destroyed in a fire at its clubrooms at the Sockburn Pool. The Club had been paying insurance fees to the Council in the belief that its clubrooms and contents were fully insured under Council's insurance cover.

This was not the case, however; the building was insured only.

The Committee was supportive of the application, and their recommendation is recorded under clause 4 of this report.

3. KIDSFIRST KINDERGARTEN LADY MAY – FUNDING APPLICATION FOR COSTS TOWARDS REDEVELOPMENT OF THE OUTSIDE PLAY AREA

The Community Development Adviser presented a report seeking Board approval to an application from the Kidsfirst Kindergarten Lady May for funding towards the redevelopment of their outside playground.

The kindergarten was established in 1957, operating under the Canterbury Westland Free Kindergarten Association. It is the only donation-based "preschool" in the area for Upper Riccarton/Sockburn.

The Kindergarten Committee is keen to commence the first stage of a 5-10 year redevelopment plan. Parents have fundraised, and financial support has been sought from other local philanthropic organisations.

The Committee noted that the redevelopment of the playground linked into the LTCCP Outcomes; A City of Inclusive and Diverse Communities, A Learning City, and A Healthy and Active City.

The Committee was supportive of the application, and their recommendation is recorded under clause 4 of this report.

4. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- (a) That the Community Board approve a grant of \$500 to Olivia Robin, towards the cost of her representing New Zealand at the World Irish Dancing Championships, to be funded from the Board's 2005/06 Youth Development Fund.
- (b) That the Community Board approve a grant of \$3,376 to the Sockburn Swimming Club for the replacement of teaching and office equipment, to be funded from the Board's 2005/06 Discretionary Fund.
- (c) That the Community Board approve a grant of \$10,000 to Kidsfirst Kindergarten Lady May towards the redevelopment of the outside play area, to be funded from the Board's 2005/06 Community Initiatives Fund.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.