

15. FUNDING APPLICATION FROM NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT CANTERBURY INC TO THE FENDALTON WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD'S 2005-06 DISCRETIONARY FUND

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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 Neighbourhood Support Canterbury for \$5,000 from the Fendalton Waimairi Community Board's 2005/06 Discretionary funds.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Neighbourhood Support Canterbury is seeking financial support to employ a Coordinator to establish and manage a Junior Neighbourhood Support programme.
3. Junior Neighbourhood Support works within primary schools and aims to promote a sense of pride, safety and community spirit in children. Children are recognised for such actions as helping neighbours, cleaning up local community facilities (including graffiti and rubbish), noting dangerous situations that could result in accidents, and being aware of and reporting suspicious activities.
4. This project is in partnership with Rotary, NZ Police, and the NZ Fire Service.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. The organisation has applied for funding that can be sourced from the Board's 2005/06 Discretionary funds. As this project does cover more than one ward, however, the Board may feel it more appropriate for the organisation to apply to Metropolitan funding.
6. The Coordinator's role will be to establish at least one Junior Neighbourhood Support programme in each of the Council's six Community Board areas and the organisation is therefore seeking a contribution of \$5,000 from each Community Board.
7. The total cost of the project is \$33,000; Neighbourhood Support Canterbury and Rotary are also providing financial support to this project.
8. There are no legal implications for the Board in relation to this application.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

Decline the application and refer the application to the Metropolitan Funding Subcommittee so that it may be considered as an application for a metropolitan wide service.

CHAIRMAN'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

BACKGROUND

9. Neighbourhood Support Canterbury was registered as an Incorporated Society in 2001 with the aim of establishing and maintaining Neighbourhood Support groups in Christchurch.
10. Junior Neighbourhood Support was initially set up in West Auckland through West Auckland Neighbourhood Support and West Harbour Rotary. This programme was named one of the top five international Rotary supported programmes in 2004. It has been adopted in England, Australia, and Fiji, and is being rolled out in other areas around New Zealand.
11. The key tasks and responsibilities of the Junior Neighbourhood Support Coordinator will include:
 - Initiating contact with schools and setting up programmes
 - Delivering the programme to the school
 - Completing all administrative responsibilities associated with the delivery of the programme
 - Liaising with Police, Fire Service and Rotary
 - Attending reward presentations
 - Reporting regularly to the Canterbury Neighbourhood Support Committee

OPTIONS

12. In relation to this application the Community Board could choose to:
 - (a) Grant \$5,000 to Neighbourhood Support Canterbury
 - (b) Grant a portion of the amount requested
 - (c) Decline the application
 - (d) Refer the application to Metropolitan funding.