

3. APPLICATION FOR FUNDING- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

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| General Manager responsible: | General Manager Community Services, DDI 941-8534 |
| Officer responsible: | Recreation and Sport Unit Manager |
| Author: | Lisa Gregory, Community Recreation Adviser |

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval of an application for funding from its 2006/07 Youth Development Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by Ricky Cook, a 21 year old, who is seeking funding assistance towards costs associated with attending the National Men's Open Bowls Championships being held in Dunedin. This event will occur from 28 December 2006 to 9 January 2007.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

3. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following table provides a breakdown of the funding requested.

| Expenses | Cost (\$) |
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| Accommodation and meals | \$1,300 |
| Petrol | \$ 200 |
| Total Cost | \$1,500 |
| Ongoing fundraising will be contributed by Applicant | |
| Amount Requested from Community Board | \$ 500 |

BACKGROUND ON RICKY COOK

4. Ricky lives in Riccarton and has been competing in Bowls for 10 years. Ricky is currently a member of the Canterbury Development Squad and is hoping to improve his New Zealand ranking of 92 by competing in these National Open Championships. Ricky has twice previously achieved runner up in the finals of the Secondary Schools Championships and in August was runner up in the Professional Bowling Association Singles Competition. Ricky is enthusiastic and committed to his chosen sport. Financial support will enable him to continue to seek these opportunities to develop his skills.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Board agrees to allocate \$300.00 to Ricky Cook from its 2006/07 Youth Development Fund for costs associated with the applicant attending the National Men's Open Bowls Championships being held in Dunedin from 28 December 2006 to 9 January 2007.