

8. YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT SCHEME – APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Community Board approval for an application for funding from the 2006/07 Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by the applicant, a 16 year old girl who lives in the Hoon Hay area, towards costs associated with representing Mainland Soccer in the girls 16th Grade Tournament Squad at the National Soccer Tournament in Napier.
3. This is the first time the applicant has approached the Board for funding support.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

4. There are no legal issues to be considered. The following table details trip expenses and funding requested by the applicant.

EXPENSES FOR ALICE PILGRIM	Cost (\$)
Airfare (return)	\$
Accommodation	\$
Food	\$
Rental Transport	\$
Total Cost	\$600 approx
Amount raised/contributed by applicant	\$120
Mainland Soccer contribution	\$180 approx
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$300

BACKGROUND ON ALICE PILGRIM

5. Alice Pilgrim is a 16 year old, year 11 student at Cashmere High School and has been selected to represent Mainland Soccer in the girls 16th Grade Tournament Squad to compete in the National Championships in Napier in December.
6. Alice has been playing soccer for seven years and has been a member of the Cashmere High School First Eleven team since she started at the high school. Alice has represented Canterbury at age group level a number of times. Alice has been selected for Mainland Soccer Player Development Programmes for the last four years.
7. Strong performances throughout the year have led to her selection into the Mainland National Women's League Squad. Alice has recently returned from playing in the Under 17 World Cup Development Team in Australia. Alice states her ultimate goal as 'being selected for the New Zealand Under 17 Women's Team to compete in the World Cup in 2008.
8. To date \$300 (approx) has been raised towards the \$600 total cost of this trip. This money has been raised through a contribution from Mainland Soccer and through the efforts of Alice delivering pamphlets, washing cars, gardening and helping her Grandmother with her housework.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Spreydon/Heathcote Community Board allocate \$150 from the 2006/07 Youth Achievement Scheme to Alice Pilgrim to represent Mainland Soccer in the girls 16th Grade Tournament Squad at the National Championships in Napier in December.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be supported.