

## 10. UPDATE REPORT- KIMIHIA YOUTH SKILLS TRUST – KIMIHIA ADVENTURE PROGRAMME (KAP)

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to update the Board on the outcomes of the review of the structure of alternative education programmes in Christchurch and subsequent impact on the ongoing financial sustainability of the Kimihia Adventure Programme (KAP), operating under the Kimihia Youth Skills Trust.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. At the meeting of the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board held on Wednesday 14 December 2005 the Board considered an application for funding from the Kimihia Youth Skills Trust.
3. The Kimihia Youth Skills Trust (Kimihia Adventure Programme (KAP)) requested urgent funding support from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board to assist in covering a predicted shortfall of funds (totalling \$23,313) for operational costs for the programme for the 2006 calendar year.
4. After consideration of information provided in the report the Board **resolved**:
  1. *To allocate \$11,500 from its 2005/06 discretionary fund.*
  2. *To receive a report on the review and appraisal in October 2006.*
5. A letter of accountability dated 12 September 2006 was received by the Community Development Adviser which requested that the board be informed of the following:
  - Funding allocated by the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board in December 2005 enabled the programme to operated this year (2006).
  - The programme has now been granted 15 places – an increase from 12.
  - The Trust have tendered for 16 places for next year (2007).
6. The increase in funded places ensures sufficient income to meet the operational costs and wages for teaching staff.
7. The trust will, however, continue to require funding support for additional non core education staff such as the wrap-around Social Worker and Whanua Worker, and for activities held outside of school hours.
8. The Kimihia Youth Skills Trust wish to express their thanks, once again, to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for their support and the opportunity to continue running such a worthwhile programme.

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. There are no legal or financial issues to be considered.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Board receive this information.

### CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

## **BACKGROUND**

10. In December 2005 the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board received an application for urgent funding support from the Kimihia Youth Skills Trust to meet a predicted shortfall in operational costs for the Kimihia Adventure Programme (KAP) for the 2006 calendar year.
11. Ministry of Education (MoE) funding allocated to the KAP programme for 2006 was, at the time of application, worked to equate to maximum roll of 12 students. With funding retained by the consortium school this left a shortfall for the programme for the 2006 year.
12. This generated a high degree of concern by the Kimihia Youth Skills Trust for the ability of the programme to operate in 2006 as the Linwood College Board of Trustees had indicated the need for assurance that best effort had been made to access funding to meet this operational shortfall before the commencement of the 2006 school year. The Kimihia Youth Skills Trust approached the Community Board for financial assistance which was granted at the meeting of the 14 December 2005.
13. Information contained in the original report indicated that the structure of alternative education programmes in Christchurch was under review, and it was envisaged that programmes would come together under one consortium manager in 2006. Decisions on roll size and funding allocations for 2007 would be made under this new system, and that this streamlined structure would ensure that programmes would operate in a more financially stable and viable climate.