

5. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – BURNSIDE UNDER 15 PREMIER FOOTBALL TEAM

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Community Board's 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Burnside Under 15 Premier Football team have three players in the Riccarton/Wigram area that are applying for funding assistance to compete in the Champions Youth Cup. Members are Matthew Vander Clay, age 15, Michael Wilson, age 14 and Robbie Smith, age 14. This tournament is being held on the Gold Coast, Australia from 29 September to 6 October 2007.
3. The Champions Youth Cup has been held annually for the past 11 years and is an initiative of the Mudgeeraba Soccer Club. The aim of the tournament is for young players to develop football skills, promote cultural understanding and to forge friendships through sport. The tournament attracts teams from all over New Zealand, Australia and internationally. International teams include Nigeria, Wales, Chinese Taipei, Samoa, Cook Islands and New Caledonia. It is the only youth tournament that club teams, as opposed to representative teams, are able to enter, and is seen as great opportunity for top club players to experience high level competition.
4. The team is made up of the top players from the Under 14 and Under 15 teams that were selected after a series of pre season trials. To date the team has not lost a game this season, conceding only one draw, placing them at the top of the local competition table. The travelling squad will consist of 15 players and 5 support staff.
5. The team is actively fundraising with garage sales, sausage sizzles, firewood raffles, commission sales and have submitted funding applications to various charitable trusts.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs per person for this trip.

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Return airfares	628
Transport and food	350
Team uniform	120
Registration fee	50
Accommodation	447
Total Cost	\$1,595

7. This is the first time that the applicants have applied to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board for financial support.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

8. This application is seeking funding from the Community Board's 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2007/08 Project Funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

9. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Aligns with page 170 LTCCP, regarding Community Board Project funding.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

11. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

12. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Board approve the application and allocate \$300 to the team fund from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme.