

12. APPLICATION TO HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – SOPHIE KILKENNY-BROWN

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by the applicant, Sophie Kilkenney-Brown, a 17 year old of Head Street, Sumner who is a Year 12 student at Marian College. Sophie is one of four members, from the Marian College Aerobic Squad, who has qualified to compete in the Australian Aerobic Competition in Melbourne on 15 and 16 September 2007 as part of the New Zealand team.
3. Sophie's application for funding aligns with two of the five Youth Development Scheme categories that are eligible for consideration. These are: representation at events and recreation development. This is the first time the applicant has approached the Board for Funding support.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The following table details event expenses and funding requested:

EXPENSES FOR SOPHIE KILKENNY-BROWN	Cost (\$NZ)
Accommodation	206.65
Airfares	460.00
Internal transport (hire bus share)	43.73
Transfers	22.30
Meals	<u>167.00</u>
Total	899.68
Less Contribution from the school	50.00
Total Cost	849.68
Amount raised by applicant to date – this is proving difficult as money raised through part time jobs and fundraising is required for training, costume and national competition costs. Extenuating financial circumstances also apply given Sophie's family situation.	
Amount requested from Board	\$600-\$840

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

5. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

7. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. Yes, relates to 2007 – 08 Community Board Funding Allocations.

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

9. Yes, as mentioned above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board allocate \$600 from the 2007/08 Youth Development Scheme to assist Sophie Kilkenny-Brown participate in the Australian Aerobic Competition.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.

BACKGROUND OF APPLICANT

13. In support of this application, the following background information has been supplied by the applicant, Sophie Kilkenny-Brown; her coach, Kaylee Cowan; Kathy Seaward, Marian College, and Nicky Harrall, Marian College Aerobic Squad Manager.
- Sophie has been involved in this sport for four years with repeated success at both regional and national levels. She is squad captain and will compete as an individual in Australia. Competition at this level is tough and extremely competitive and Sophie is committed to training up to four days a week.
 - Over the past four years Sophie has funded almost all her aerobic training. For this trip she has limited hours available to raise funds additional to what is required for training gear, shoes, outfits, travel to national competitions and coaching. As a single parent with four children, Sophie's mother is unable to provide as much as she would like to enable Sophie to compete, and the growing costs associated with the trip are proving difficult.
 - As a Captain of the school team and coach to junior students at Marian College, Sophie is committed to giving back to her school community. She (and the team) would be very happy to perform at the LYFE festival or any other event/s the Board considers appropriate, in return for financial assistance to attend the competition.
14. Sophie's application is supported by both school and coach. This is considered a valuable sporting opportunity and Sophie aims to use this experience for inclusion in the New Zealand team to compete at World level in 2008 and 2009. Special mention has been made that financial support is needed, given the extenuating