

2. APPLICATION TO THE FENDALTON WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – BENJAMIN HOWES

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8986
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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 2006/07 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Benjamin Howes, is a 13 year old St Andrews College student living in Fendalton.
3. Benjamin is seeking funding to assist with the costs involved in travelling to Guangzhou, China as a member of the New Zealand U15 Secondary Schools Football Team from the 6th July – 15th July 2007. The team will play a warm up game in Auckland and three games in China against top ranked age group teams.
4. To be selected for this tour Benjamin attended national trials held in Palmerston North during April this year. There were a total 76 trialists with 6 from the South Island. Benjamin has also been selected for the Mainland Football High Performance Squad.
5. Benjamin is a talented all round sports person and is a member of the school first XI cricket team, an accomplished golfer and last year was selected for the Canterbury Metro Under 14 Rugby squad.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The total cost of the trip is \$4,500 which includes international airfares, accommodation, and travel within China. Benjamin's parents have agreed to fund any shortfall.
7. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Fendalton Waimairi 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 2006/07 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2006/07 Project Funding. There is currently \$606 remaining in this budget.

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 Board approve the application and allocate \$600 to Benjamin Howes from the 2006/07 Youth Development Scheme.