

5. **APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – SAM RAYNER STEELE**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Sam Rayner Steele, is a 17 year old who lives in Halswell and is seeking Board support to travel to Mexico for the World Track Cycling Championships with the New Zealand Junior Track team. The trip will take place from 5 July to 12 August 2007.
3. Although Sam has only been racing for four years, in that time has won a Youth Olympic medal in Sydney, 5 national titles along with numerous placings. Sam's short term goal is win a world title at the Junior World Track Championships this year and his ultimate goal is to emulate his father, Murray Steele, who represented New Zealand at both Commonwealth and Olympic Games in cycling.
4. Sam's dream of representing New Zealand has become a realisation and this trip to Mexico will be invaluable for him in gaining experience, quality training and racing that will help him become a world class track rider. Financial expenses have increased for Sam and he dedicates all that he earns from his part time job to his sport. Sam is also fundraising for his trip and will continue to do so until he leaves.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested:

SAM RAYNER STEELE	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares, accommodation, uniform, insurance, food	8,400
Support staff expenses	4,254
Ground transport, entry fees, miscellaneous	470
Total Cost	\$13,124
Contribution from BikeNZ	\$4,624
Athlete contribution	\$8,500
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$500

6. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

7. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

8. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. 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?

10. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

12. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Board support the application and allocate \$800 to Sam Rayner Steele from the 2007/08 Youth Development Fund.