

17. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – ABIGAIL RUTLEDGE

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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 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme. There is currently \$350 remaining in the Youth Development Scheme Fund, with a report for an additional \$5,000 from the Discretionary Response Fund, being put forward.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant is Abigail Rutledge, a 15 year old Christchurch Girls High student living in Fendalton.
3. Abigail has been selected for the South Island U17 Girls Basketball Team to compete at the Pacific Slam Tournament in Port Macquarie in January 2010. In addition to competing in this tournament the applicant will have the opportunity to play in the Sydney Cup against Sydney Metro representative teams. The dates for the trip are 10 – 21 January, 2010.
4. Abigail has been an age group Canterbury basketball representative since aged 14 and is a qualified referee in both basketball and netball. She is a regular referee for Canterbury Basketball at both senior and junior level and coaches the Cobham Intermediate Basketball Team. She also umpires netball for the Christchurch Netball Centre and her school has recently nominated her for a Zonta award to acknowledge her contribution to these sports.
5. Abigail is a member of the school A Basketball Team, A Netball Team and A Volleyball Team.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The total cost per person to attend the tournament is \$3,200 which includes air fares, accommodation, uniforms and tournament entrance fee.
7. Abigail has been fundraising doing sausages sizzles, basketball refereeing and is currently seeking part time work.
8. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

9. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme subject to the establishment of this scheme as part of the Board's 2009/10 Board Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

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

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. 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?

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the application and allocate \$450 to Abigail Rutledge towards to costs of competing in the Pacific Slam Basketball Tournament, subject to the approval of the additional \$5,000 for the Youth Development Scheme fund.