

8. APPLICATION TO THE LYTTTELTON MOUNT HERBERT 2009/10 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – CAMPBELL STEWART

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Campbell Stewart, is a 17 year old who lives in Governors Bay and is seeking Community Board support to travel to Brisbane with the Edmund Rice Group from St Thomas of Canterbury College. This group will participate in a rowing training regatta over the week and also will be involved in the Edmund Rice component of the trip, working in the Brisbane community alongside one of their brother schools, St Josephs College. This trip will take place from 29 November – 6 December 2009.
3. Over the week Campbell will be mainly involved in the rowing aspect of the trip, training against the top Brisbane Rowing College of Gregory Terrace. They will be racing in all boat sizes from singles through to the eights. Campbell will also be involved in other activities with his school, assisting homeless people, refugees and street kids.
4. Campbell feels this trip will benefit him at two levels. He will gain improved performance through the coaching/technique/training/racing which will help him gain skills so that he can achieve peak performance at a higher level at our South Island and National regattas. This will assist him in achieving his goal of New Zealand Junior Team selection.
5. Secondly, the social connections made while working with the underprivileged in the community, sharing in their stories and building relationships with them will be an invaluable life experience and will provide an opportunity for increased understanding of others.
6. Campbell has been a member of the St Thomas of Canterbury College Rowing Squad for the past four years. He trains five times per week but prior to the Maadi Cup (National Secondary School Schools Championship) he increases this to nine training sessions over six days per week.
7. Rowing for his school, Campbell has gained medals since 2007 in both the doubles and quads in the South Island Secondary School Champs and has competed in the Maadi Cup since 2007, this year gaining a second place in the quad and a third in the double. From the strength of this performance he was selected to trial for the South Island Under 18 Squad, and being successful, trained and competed with representatives from the North Island and Australia State of Victoria representatives at Lake Karapiro in an eight and a pair. In the first race he gained a second place in the eight and a third in the pair, and in the second race a first in the eight.
8. His aim is to trial and make the New Zealand Junior Rowing Squad and row in the Junior Rowing World Champs and if successful, then to make New Zealand selection for the World Rowing Champs and Olympics..
9. The school will be holding quiz nights and activity nights to fundraise for their trip as well as organising a scrap metal pick up project. In addition to these school projects, Campbell has provided babysitting locally and gardening (weed-eating, lawn mowing and chain-sawing).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested, and funds in hand:

CAMPBELL STEWART	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Ground Transport	\$200.00
Flights	\$500.00
Uniform	\$50.00
Accommodation and Miscellaneous	\$450.00
Total Cost	\$1200.00
Less fund raising	\$250.00
Balance of funds to raise	\$950.00
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$500.00

11. This is the first time the applicant has applied for funding from the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board.

12. There is currently a balance of \$2,000 in the Youth Development Fund.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?

13. Yes, see page 172 , Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

14. Under the Community Board delegations, the Board has *“absolute discretion over the implementation of the discretionary funding allocation of \$14,124, (subject to being consistent with any policies or standards adopted by the Council).”*

There are no further legal considerations required for the recommendations contained in this report.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. Yes. The Board’s discretionary funding is part of the Community Grants listed under Community Support on Page 176 and Grants on Page 184 of the 2009-19 LTCCP.

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?

16. Yes, as above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

17. Application aligns with the Council’s Youth Strategy and the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council’s strategies?

18. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

19. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board supports the application and allocates \$500 to Campbell Stewart for his Edmund Rice Trip expenses from the 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.