

6. REQUEST FOR FUNDING FROM CRIMEWATCH (CHCH) INC.

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services Group, DDI 941-8607
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a request for funding to the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board on behalf of Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc. The request is for \$1,250 from the Board's Discretionary Response Fund. There is currently \$51,496 remaining in this fund for 2009/10.
2. Crimewatch is seeking funding for the sign-writing of five community patrol cars. The total amount requested for this project is \$2,500, half of which is being requested from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. Papanui Community Watch Inc was incorporated in 1995 and recently (April 2009) changed its name to Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc.
4. Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc acts to "assist the New Zealand Police in the promotion and fostering of law and order within the Christchurch Police sub-district by means of mobile and foot patrols, encouraging the general public to assist in this objective and to endeavour to provide a safer community for residents to live in" (Rule #2, Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc).
5. The area in which this organisation operates is covered by both the Fendalton/Waimairi and Shirley/Papanui Wards. However, the organisation does also assist on projects outside this area, notably in other areas of the Northern Policing Area and at functions at AMI Stadium.
6. Because of the change of name, the organisation now wishes to update the signage on its vehicles.
7. Previously the organisation used to get sponsorship for the sign-writing but its sponsor is unable to assist it with such a large number of vehicles as previously it only had one done at a time which was usually as it replaced a vehicle.
8. As part of the project it will also be fitting emergency lighting to each vehicle. The additional cost of this will be met by the organisation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The total cost of this project is \$5,500, of which Crimewatch is requesting a \$2,500 grant. This request is shared between Fendalton/Waimairi and Shirley/Papanui Community Boards.
10. The latest Annual Audited Accounts (to 31 March 2009) of this organisation show an annual turnover of approximately \$12,000 with a surplus for the year of just over \$3,000. Its accounts showed a balance of almost \$3,800.
11. There is currently \$51,496 remaining in the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund.

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

12. Yes. Page 184 of the LTCCP (Volume 1).

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

13. There are no legal considerations.

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

14. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

15. This application aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans.

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

16. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

17. This application aligns with the Council's Strengthening Communities Strategy, specifically:

- Enhancing the safety of communities and neighbourhoods.

18. It also aligns with the following Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's objective:

- That the Fendalton/Waimairi Ward is a safe place for all residents.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

19. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

20. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Services Committee recommends that the Board makes a grant of \$1,250 from its 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc towards the costs of updating the signage on five patrol vehicles.