

9. REQUEST FOR FUNDING - SHIRLEY COMMUNITY TRUST

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a funding application to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board to be considered under the Discretionary Response Fund for the Shirley Community Trust to assist with the costs of staging a Shirley Light Party as a Halloween Alternative on 31 October 2009.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Shirley Community Trust has been a significant community organisation in the Shirley area during the past decade. They offer a range of activities, events, and programmes. Their main operations base is the MacFarlane Park Neighbourhood Centre in Acheson Avenue. From this venue, they run pre-schooler groups, literacy programmes, bread distribution, elderly support and a highly successful neighbourhood café on Friday mornings.
3. The work of Shirley Community Trust is supported by a large group of volunteers coming from either St Stephen’s Anglican Church or from the immediate neighbourhood.
4. In the previous three years, this event has been run in partnership with three local churches. This year the event has four churches working in partnership to host this event in the community. These are St Stephen’s Anglican Church, Crossway Church, Destiny Church, and Emmett Street Christian Centre.
5. The purpose of the event is to give the local children a safe alternative to door knocking on Halloween. Past events have attracted 200 children and youth and there have been favourable comments received from both parents and children.
6. The event will be run at Hammersley Park School. Kids come dressed as their hero and participate in a variety of activities.
7. The group are currently seeking donations for the trick and treat bags and prizes, however the response has been extremely poor compared with other years.

Light Party	
<i>Bouncy Castle</i>	150
<i>Face painting paint</i>	78
<i>Craft Corner</i>	100
<i>Clown and novelty balloons</i>	200
<i>BBQ</i>	189
<i>Prizes</i>	100
<i>Trick or treat lollies for children to take home</i>	400
Total	\$1,217

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board currently have \$37,116 in their Discretionary Response Fund available to allocate.

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

9. Yes, see page 184, Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

10. Not applicable.

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

11. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

12. Page 184 of the LTCCP, level of service under Community Board funding Strong Communities.

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

13. Recommendation is in line with Community Board discretionary budget and meets level of support within strong communities.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

14. Community and Strengthening Communities Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

15. Yes.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

16. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board approve a grant of \$600 from the 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to the Shirley Community Trust to assist with the costs of staging the Shirley Light Party on 31 October 2009.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.