

11. **APPLICATION TO SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FUND – STEPHANIE WATSON**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a Youth Development Fund application for funding in the 2009/10 financial year to the Shirley/Papanui Community Board. The application is from Stephanie Watson.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Stephanie Louise Watson is 12 years old and lives in Papanui. Stephanie is applying for funding to enable her to attend the New Zealand School of Dance Winter School in July 2010.
3. The Winter School of Dance (5 – 9 July 2010) is a five-day course offering intensive tuition in a range of dance styles for young students. The school is held in Wellington and includes the opportunity for students to learn from some of the best national and international teachers available.
4. Stephanie writes that this opportunity “will give me excellent training, make me a better dancer and bring me closer to my long term goal of being (accepted) into a major dance company.” Stephanie’s teachers refer to Stephanie as being “a very conscientious and dedicated student who strives for excellence” and “an extremely motivated student and she always strives to better herself.” Stephanie also displays her enthusiasm through regularly helping younger students in the dance classes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The total cost of this course is \$900, made up of: \$450 course fees, \$150 airfares and \$300 accommodation. Stephanie has been selling chocolates to help fundraise for this trip.
6. The Shirley/Papanui Community Board has available \$660 from the 2009/10 Youth Development Fund for allocation.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. Aligns with pages 172 and 176, 2009-19 LTCCP.

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

9. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. Application aligns with the Council’s Youth Strategy, Strengthening Communities Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council’s strategies?

11. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Shirley/Papanui Community Board make an allocation of \$300 from the Board's 2009/2010 Youth Development Fund to Stephanie Louise Watson as a contribution towards the cost of attending the NZ School of Dance Winter School in July 2010.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.