4. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JAMIE PREBBLE AND NICHOLAS PREBBLE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek consideration of two applications for funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicants are:
 - Jamie Prebble, a 19 year old Massey University student studying extramurally and living in Fendalton.
 - Nicholas Prebble, a 17 year old Christchurch Boys' High School student living in Fendalton.
- 3. Jamie and Nicholas are requesting funds towards the cost of competing in the New Zealand Ski Racing Nationals at Coronet Peak in September this year.
- 4. Both applicants have been in the New Zealand Development Team for the past two years and are currently in the New Zealand Ski Racing Team. Jamie is currently ranked number one in the world for his age group in the Super Combined discipline which is slalom and super G. For the past three years Jamie and Nicholas have had back to back winters based in Canada competing in numerous international tournaments. This has been funded by their parents.
- 5. Jamie and Nicholas have been identified as emerging talent for future success on the world stage with the target of medals at the 2014 Winter Olympics. This selection is based on the following merits.
 - Athletic potential in the sport of alpine ski racing.
 - Professional approach to being full time athletes in a high performance programme.
 - Approach to maintaining peak physical fitness.
 - Ability to learn and grow as an athlete and a person.
 - Expectation of excellence and a desire to be the best in the world.
- 6. This is the third time the applicants have requested funding support from the Board and as such this application is considered a low priority. In addition to this, with both applicants being members of the New Zealand Ski Team, it would be likely that they have opportunities for sponsorship and funding from their national body.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7. The total cost per person to compete at the Nationals is \$950 which includes entry fee, accommodation, transport and coaches expenses.
- 8. This is the third time the applicants have applied to the Board for financial support. In June 2009 they were granted \$200 each to compete in the Central Otago Inaugural Winter Games and in December 2009 they were granted \$400 each towards the costs of competing and training in Canada.

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

9. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme as part of the Board's 2010/11 Board Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal implications pertaining to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Aligns with the LTCCP, page 170, regarding Community Board Project funding.

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

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

12. The application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and the Community Board's objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Services Committee recommend that the Board declines this application.