12. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME - RICCARTON HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicant, is Shane Morrow (Head of the Music Department), on behalf of Riccarton High School's chorale "The Riccarton Singers", who have been invited to be a guest choir at the National finals of the New Zealand Federations "Big Sing" in Auckland in August.
- 3. The 'Riccarton Singers' chorale is an auditioned female choir of 30 members. The choir rehearse weekly and the students have sectional rehearsals. The choir also rehearse in the weekends and school holiday time.
- 4. This is a very exciting opportunity for the "Riccarton Singers. The "Riccarton Singers' will present a recital of choral works, participate in workshops and receive coaching from top New Zealand choral directors. The event is being held from 9 to 12 August 2010.
- 5. Being selected as a guest choir is a major achievement and a first for Riccarton High School. Attending this event will provide the choir with an opportunity to participate in the National final programme.
- 6. The choir will be holding fund raising activities in school. At a meeting on 29 June the choir resolved to run a mufti day at school which could potentially bring in \$800. The choir has been given a donation of \$500 from Ravensdown. The Choir has also applied to Avonhead Fresh Choice Community Fund and Northwest Kiwanis for a \$500 donation from each. Both of these grants are still pending. The parents and families of the choir members will pay the balance of the costs related to attending the "Big Sing".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested:

RICCARTON HIGH SCHOOL CHORALE	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	3,540
Accommodation (Backpackers)	2,311
Bus Charter (Transfer to and from Auckland Airport)	495
TOTAL	

- 8. This is the first time the "Riccarton Singers" have applied to the Board's Youth Development fund.
- 9. The applicant Shane Morrow, on behalf of the choir, has provided a list of the choir members who live in the Riccarton/Wigram ward. There are 20 in total that reside in the Ward area.
- 10. There is currently \$5,950 remaining in the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme fund.

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

11. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

12. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

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

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

14. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme and Discretionary Fund.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

15. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

16. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

17. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board grant Riccarton High School \$500 as a contribution towards the Riccarton High School's chorale (The Riccarton Singers) trip, as guest singers at the New Zealand Choral Federations 'Big Sing" being held in Auckland in August 2010.