11. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – RICCARTON HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL TRIP TO RAROTONGA

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicant is a group, comprising of 14 senior Riccarton High School students that are travelling to Rarotonga in September 2010 for a cultural tour. Of this group, 10 students live within the Riccarton/Wigram Ward. Two students live in the Fendalton/Waimairi Ward. Two students live in the Shirley/Papanui Ward.
- 3. The tour is open to senior students studying Te Reo Maori on 2010. The tour is from 18 to 26 September 2010.
- 4. The purpose of the tour is for students to experience Cook Island Maori culture first hand, and provide an opportunity for them to cement their cultural identity. Te Reo Maori students at Riccarton High School have not had an opportunity to travel and experience Maori culture and language in an environment such as this. All the students have been studying Te Reo Maori for the last three to five years.
- 5. The students will benefit by having the opportunity to establish and research whakapapa or genealogy links. Many waka (voyaging canoes) stopped in Rarotonga on their migration through the South Pacific to Aotearoa. A large number of these students whakapapa back to these waka, and thus link New Zealand Maori intrinsically to Cook Island Maori people, language and culture. The young people also believe that this trip will develop their confidence to participate in their own culture in the future.
- 6. The cost of the trip is \$1,260 per person. A number of fund raising events have been planned. Fund raising includes sausage sizzles, trivial pursuit evening, continental caterer's evenings, hangi, kapahaka marathon, as well as the students contributing from their part-time jobs. The parents/whanau of the students are also prepared to assist financially if needed.
- 7. The students that are applying from the Riccarton/Wigram Ward are as follows:

1. Dyani Jage Sam Gregory Callum Trillo Jacob Maikuku 2. 7. Corv Ward 3. 8. Tamsin Ingle Jessie Jarger-Hutton 9. Skye Churchill 4. Jeanee Waiari

8. There is no selection criteria for the students participating in the cultural tour, which is essentially a school trip. This application is therefore recommended as a low priority within the Youth Development Scheme criteria.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

| RICCARTON HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL TOUR RAROTONGA | |
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| EXPENSES | Cost (\$) per person |
| Airfares | 815 |
| Food | 150 |
| Accommodation | 70 |
| Transport | 120 |
| Cultural activities and exchanges | 105 |
| Total | \$1,260 |

- 10. This is the first time the applicants have applied to the Community Board's Youth Development Scheme.
- 11. 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?

12. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

13. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. 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?

15. Yes, see page 172, Youth Development Scheme.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

17. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

18. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board declines the application from Riccarton High School for a senior student Te Reo cultural tour to Rarotonga.