

13. **BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND 2010/11 - APPLICATION – RAWHITI COMMUNITY SPORTS INCORPORATED**

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board to consider an application for funding from its 2010/11 Discretionary Response Fund. The application is from Rawhiti Community Sports Incorporated for their KiwiSport Co-ordinator for \$10,000.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. In 2010/11, the total pool available for allocation for the Burwood/Pegasus Discretionary Response Fund is \$51,800. The Discretionary Response Fund opens each year on 1 July and closes on 30 June the following year, or when all funds are expended.
3. The purpose of the Fund is to assist community groups where the project and funding request falls outside other council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations.
4. At its meeting on 22 April 2010, the Council resolved to change the criteria and delegations around the local Discretionary Response Fund.
5. The change in criteria limited the items that the local Discretionary Response Fund does not cover to only:
 - (a) Legal challenges or Environment Court challenges against the Council, Council Controlled Organisations or Community Boards decisions;
 - (b) Projects or initiatives that change the scope of a Council project; and
 - (c) Projects or initiatives that will lead to ongoing operational costs to the Council.

The Council also made a note that: *"Community Boards can recommend to the Council for consideration of grants under (b) and (c)."*

6. Based on this criteria, the applications received are eligible for funding.
7. Detailed information on the application and staff comments are included in the **attached** Decision Matrix.

BACKGROUND

8. Rawhiti Community Sports Inc is an amalgamation of clubs including New Brighton Cricket, New Brighton Netball Club, New Brighton Rugby Football Club, Parklands Christchurch Unit Softball Club Inc, Rawhiti Golf Club, New Brighton Archery and New Brighton Bowling Club.
9. This is a Sportville model. Sportville is the partnership of sporting groups to better utilise facilities, volunteer base and to ensure survival of the participating sporting codes. The Council has zoned an area for a Sportville multi sports complex building known as Rawhiti Community Sports Inc.
10. The key focus of this group is to administer and operate the facilities in a manner agreed to by the members, namely: To provide information and assistance, resources and opportunities for communication with and between the members of Rawhiti Community Sport Inc; To meet and promote the interests of its membership through the provision of those facilities by (a) assisting in and fostering the development and growth of sports, recreation and leisure-time activity; and (b) improving the conditions of life for the people in the community.
11. Rawhiti Community Sport Inc, as part of its business plan, and part of its commitment to develop participation and capacity building in New Brighton and surrounding areas, wish to provide local indoor sports leagues (netball, soccer, dodgeball and futsal). Regardless of the weather conditions, day or night, indoor players will find a safe, clean and friendly atmosphere for their sporting enjoyment.
12. In May 2008, the organisation secured \$10,000 from the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board's 2008/09 Discretionary Fund to assist towards progressing the Rawhiti Community Sports complex project, this included scoping work to identify and integrate sports clubs, to establish the Rawhiti Community Sports Incorporated Board and governance protocols, and to secure other funding. The Club completed a 'Feasibility Study' which was presented to the Community Board on 30 August 2010 as part of the Club's full accountability for the \$10,000.
13. The Club received \$1,000 from the 2010/11 Burwood/Pegasus Small Grants Fund to purchase equipment necessary to establish an indoor sports league. This project also secured funds from Youth Town to help with the establishment costs for this project. The Club feel that they require an income stream to enable the long term project of a new multi user facility. An indoor league is an ideal opportunity for an income stream. The group estimates that this project will benefit up to 500 people, focusing on children, youth and adults. City-wide there are presently 4,000 children participating in youth leagues and 2,500 adults participating in adult leagues. This project will increase this participation number by offering leagues in the New Brighton area. The secondary focus will be to steer participants from this league into others sports offered by Rawhiti Community Sports Inc.
14. KiwiSport is a government funding initiative supporting sport for school-aged children. KiwiSport was launched by the Prime Minister on 11 August 2009 and provides funding for schools for year 1 to 8 students and year 9 to 13 students via the Ministry of Education (the KiwiSport Direct Fund) and community projects (via SPARC to regional sports trusts through the Regional Partnership Fund RPF) to achieve the aims of:
 - Increasing the number of school-aged children participating in organised sport.
 - Increasing the availability and accessibility of sport opportunities for all school-aged children.
 - Supporting children to develop skills that will enable them to participate effectively in sport.
15. The funding model for this project requires a direct contribution from schools (with additional \$13 per head schools have received from Ministry of Education specifically for sport and recreation), Regional Partnership Fund contribution (max \$24,500) from Sport Canterbury and a contribution coming from the local community for example the Council, Gaming Trusts etc. Sport Canterbury would like all contributions to be equal however are realistic that this may not be possible in all applications.

16. Throughout October and November 2009, the Sport Canterbury completed extensive community consultation to identify priorities for RPF investment. This community consultation identified a number of priorities including:
- The cost of transporting children to participate in sporting events and activities is a significant barrier to participation. The cost associated with accessing community based facilities has also been identified as prohibitive.
 - A need to support a human resource to facilitate, administer, coordinate and deliver sport based programmes at a community level.
 - The fundamental movement skills of children must be improved.
 - It is vital to preserve the role of Secondary School Sports Coordinators to continue to coordinate sport to students currently participating.
 - Sport for young people needs to be delivered in a less traditional, less competitive and less structured way to meet the changing needs and demands of young people.
 - Quality delivery of sport must be ensured through continued provision of training and resource support to teachers, senior students and volunteer coaches and officials. There is also a need to increase the number of coaches delivering sport.
17. Canterbury West Coast Investment Plan for KiwiSport Regional Partnership Fund investment reflects these priorities and will seek to achieve the aims of more young people participating in organised sport throughout our region.
18. Linfield Sports Kiwisport Programme – this Club received funding of \$5,000 from the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board's Discretionary Fund in September 2010 to establish the first KiwiSport Co-ordinator position in the ward. This was the first KiwiSport Co-ordinator role which the Board has funded. The Club also received \$10,000 from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board as the 11 schools they are working with are predominantly based in the Hagley/Ferrymead ward. Linfield Sports has secured \$24,500 from Sport Canterbury for their project and direct funding from schools.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

19. The Board has **\$14,697** available for allocation in its 2010/11 Discretionary Response Fund. Should the Board grant the recommended amount, this will leave a fund balance of \$4,697 for allocation to 30 June 2011.

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

20. Yes, see page 184 of the LTCCP regarding community grants schemes including Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

21. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

22. Aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans, page 172 and 176.

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

23. Yes, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes, including Board funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

24. Strengthening Communities Strategy, Children's Policy, Older Adults Policy, Youth Strategy, Out of School Programmes Policy and Sport and Recreation Strategy as detailed in the attached funding decision matrix.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

25. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Burwood/Pegasus Community Board make a grant of \$10,000 to Rawhiti Community Sports Inc for the costs associated with the co-ordination and delivery of the KiwiSport programme as described in this report.