

2. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – WAI LING CHAN

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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 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant is Wai Ling Chan, a 12 year old Burnside High School student living in Avonhead.
3. Wai Ling has been selected by Fencing New Zealand to compete in the Hong Kong Age Group Fencing Championships in January 2010. In addition to this Wai Ling will spend a week in Hong Kong training with the Hong Kong Junior Squad. Following this training week she will also compete in the Singapore Cadet Fencing World Cup.
4. Wai Ling has been fencing since age nine and is currently the New Zealand ranked No. 1 in the Under 15 foil and No. 2 in the Under 17 foil. Her highest international result is a third placing in the Oceania and Australian Cadet Championships 2009 held in Brisbane in July this year.
5. Wai Ling is a member of the Fencing Institute of Christchurch and trains three times per week. Her coach advises that exposure to international competition will be of huge benefit to her development in this sport.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The total cost per person to attend the tournament is \$4,300 which includes air fares, accommodation, uniforms and tournament entrance fee.
7. Wai Ling and her family have been fundraising doing sausages sizzles.
8. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

9. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. 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 2006-16 LTCCP?

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Recess Committee approve the application and allocate \$300 to Wai Ling Chan from the Youth Development Scheme fund towards to costs of competing in the Hong Kong Age Group Fencing Championship, the Singapore Cadet Fencing World Cup and attending a training camp in Hong Kong