

16. APPLICATION TO THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD 2009/10 DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND - LINWOOD AVENUE COMMUNITY CORNER TRUST

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present a request for funding from Linwood Avenue Community Corner Trust to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board from its 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund.
2. The request is for \$500 contribution towards the cost of running Nigel Latta's '*Revenge of the Teenager*' Presentation.
3. The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board presently has \$16,201 available in its 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

4. Linwood Avenue Community Corner Trust (LACCT) was incorporated as a Trust in October 1998. The Trust seeks to provide a caring and supportive environment for people in need, develop life skills programmes especially for people in need, and respond to issues that arise from community.
5. LACCT have through their work identified continued need to support parents by creating opportunities to educate them on positive parenting. Some of the parents LACCT works with lack skills to parent, are single parents who have to raise children on their own and find it hard to cope, and sometimes need assistance to cope with teenagers going through difficult stages in their lives and who do not always make positive choices.
6. LACCT has invited Nigel Latta to give a presentation at Linwood College entitled '*Revenge of the Teenager*' on 26 July 2010 from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. The presentation has been widely publicised in the area especially through schools. It is expected that there will be about 500 people attending the presentation. Through the schools, and through interaction with parents, LACCT became aware that some of the parents who would benefit from the presentation would not be able to afford the \$10 entry fee. Local schools and LACCT have identified parents who would benefit from this and seek to support these specific parents by providing tickets so that they can attend.
7. Nigel Latta is a well known psychologist who gives lectures and talks primarily about helping family relations, mostly through upbringing. He has written several books including '*Before your Teenager drives you Crazy*', '*Battlefield wisdom for Stressed-out Parents*' and '*Raising Teenagers: A practical Guide for Parents*'. Latta also had a TV series entitled '*The Politically Incorrect Parenting Show*'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. Sound financial practices are in place. Linwood Avenue Community Corner Trust has its accounts audited annually.
9. The Trust is seeking a grant of \$500 to assist parents who cannot afford to pay the \$10 required to attend Nigel Latta's presentation at Linwood College.
10. LACCT received a total of \$4,694.50 in 2009/10 for various programme costs and activities from Small Grants Fund.
11. The Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board presently has \$16,201 available in its Discretionary Response Fund.

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

12. Yes.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

13. No legal implications have been identified.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

14. Aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans, pages 172 and 176.

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

15. Yes, Strengthening Communities (page 172 of the 2009-19 LTCCP).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

16. This application meets the following Council Community Grants Funding Outcomes:
- Support, develop and promote the capacity and sustainability of community, recreation, sports, arts, heritage and environment groups.
17. It also helps to meet the following Community Board objectives:
- Acknowledge diversity and support measures for a vibrant, inclusive and strong communities.
 - Support/advocate for initiatives that support lifelong learning.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

18. Yes, Strengthening Communities Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

19. None required.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board give a grant of \$500 from its 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to the Linwood Avenue Community Corner Trust, towards the cost of Nigel Latta's presentation '*Revenge of the Teenager*'.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.