

14. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JOSHUA GARMONSWAY

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Zhan Ming (Keith) Cheok is a 17 year old who lives in Riccarton and is planning travel to Shanghai in July 2010 as part of a the Shanghai Technological Expo team at Christchurch Boys' High School
3. Zhan is a student at Christchurch Boys' High School. He is one of a team from Christchurch Boys' High School, comprising six members of different cultural backgrounds, who are representing New Zealand in the 2010 Shanghai International Youth Science and Technology Expo. The Expo runs from 9 July to 19 July 2010.
4. Other secondary schools from all over the world will be participating at the Expo. Each participating school is allocated an exhibition area to display their work and is required to bring a piece of scientific creation work and multimedia animation work. Each participant is required to submit a thesis on Climate Change with a Power Point presentation for the selection.
5. The Christchurch Boys' High Group was selected as the only group to represent New Zealand in this important international event. As a member of the team Zhan will not only get to visit a foreign country, he will also experience six unique opportunities:
 - Public speaking in front of hundreds of overseas students to present his uniquely New Zealand view of climate change.
 - Work as a team to sell the group's idea of a Green Controller.
 - Use his knowledge in Science to complete set tasks.
 - Think creatively to find novel ways to combat climate change.
 - Interact with students from many different countries.
 - Represent Christchurch Boys' High School and New Zealand at an international event.
6. Zhan's future goals are to own and operate his own information technology business company and to be involved in international work, both business and charity. He believes that by representing New Zealand at the Expo, he and his team are benefiting the community as well as the whole of New Zealand, as they are the only school participating at this event.
7. Zhan has also applied to the Asian Foundation for \$500, the Christchurch Gwandong Society for \$500, and the New Zealand Charitable Association for \$1,000 towards his trip. However, all of these applications were declined. Zhan is contributing \$1,000 of his personal savings towards his trip and he is able to borrow money from his family to cover any funding shortfall, on the understanding that he repays the debt when he returns from the trip. He is also continuing to seek funding elsewhere.
8. Zhan is requesting \$1,000 from the Board's Youth Development Scheme.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

| ZHANG'S APPLICATION | |
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| EXPENSES | COST (\$) |
| Total Cost (Airfare, accommodation, food, transport) | 3,500 |
| Amount Requested from Community Board | \$1,000 |

10. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Riccarton/Wigram Youth Development Scheme

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-19 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 2006 -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 Riccarton/Wigram Community Board grant Zhan Ming Cheok \$500 as a contribution towards his trip to the Shanghai International Youth Science and Technology Expo from the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme, subject to the Board establishing such a fund.