

8. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – NICKI MCFADZIEN

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| General Manager responsible: | General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8986 |
| Officer responsible: | Unit Manager, Recreation and Sports |
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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 Nicki McFadzien, a 18 year old Villa Maria High School student living in Burnside.
3. Nicki has been selected to represent New Zealand at the World Cross Country Championships being held in Poland in March 2010.
4. Nicki is a member of the Christchurch Avon Athletic Club in the winter and the University Athletic Club in the summer. Nicki has been involved in the sport for 10 years, running cross country in winter and track in summer. In 2007 at the South Island Secondary Schools Championships, Nicki broke a 20 year record in the cross country event. In April 2008 Nicki represented New Zealand at the World Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships in the Czech Republic. Her team achieved gold in the teams event and Nicki was placed sixth in the individual. Last year Nicki competed in the World Cross Country Championships in Jordan and was placed thirty-sixth.
5. Nicki has been a member of the Canterbury Cross Country and Track and Field representative teams on a number of occasions Nicki's coach advises that she always impresses team management with her maturity, ability to stay focussed and the support she gives to other team members.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs.

| EXPENSES | Cost (\$) |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Airfares | 3,426 |
| Accommodation and Food | 770 |
| Uniform | 400 |
| Total Cost | \$4,596 |

7. This is the third time the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support. In March 2008 Nicki was granted \$1,000 to compete in World Secondary Schools Cross Championships in the Czech Republic and in March 2009 she was granted \$450 to compete World Cross Country Championships in Jordan.

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

8. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Board Discretionary Response Fund.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

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

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. 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?

11. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the application and allocate \$350 to Nicki McFadzien to compete in the World Cross Championships in Poland.