

13. APPLICATION TO THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD 2009/10 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – CHELSEA PATRICIA ELIZABETH RICHDAL

General Manager responsible:	General Manager Community Services, DDI 941 8607
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant Chelsea Richdale, an 18 year old resident of Sumner, has been selected as a member of the Synchronised Ice Figure Skating Team to represent New Zealand at the World's Synchronised Ice Skating Championships in Colorado Springs, United States of America from 8 to 10 April 2010. The team will also be travelling to Denver for 10 days of intensive training preceding the World Championships.
3. Chelsea has been involved in figure skating for eight years and has coached kiwi-skate to new skaters as a volunteer for three years. This year Alpine Ice has provided a paid position for three sessions a week with Chelsea continuing one session as a volunteer. Chelsea also volunteers at Alpine Ice competitions helping introduce the younger skaters to competitions. Chelsea is now working towards a level one accreditation for coaching and really enjoys working with her peers and being supportive of younger skaters throughout the season.
4. At the end of last year Chelsea was named New Zealand Ice Skating Association Sportsperson of the Year 2009 and at the start of this year was chosen to be Club Captain of the Centaurus Ice Skating Club. This is a great opportunity for Chelsea to give something back to the sport she is passionate about.
5. When Chelsea was named in the New Zealand Synchronized Skating to go to the World Championships she realised that this was a very special opportunity and has decided to put her studies on hold to concentrate on fitness training until she returns from the competition. The World Championship is the highest level of competition for synchronised skating, and for Chelsea this experience is a once in a life time opportunity to represent New Zealand. It will also give Chelsea an insight into competition at an international level and will teach her skills that she can pass onto skaters she may coach in the future.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. Each skater is expected to contribute \$6,500 towards the trip expenses. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs for all expenses related to this application. It is based on costs for 18 skaters and two team managers to attend the World Championships and 10 day intensive training. Income is from individual instalments, fundraising including Showcase in Dunedin and Auckland, grants from the International Skating Union and the New Zealand Ice Skating Association, raffles, quiz nights, movie nights and part time jobs.

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Venue hire NZ and USA	27,982
Coaching Expenses	25,500
International travel	63,403
Meals and accommodation	24,100
Costume Expenses	20,680
Warm-up Dance Instructor	887
Audition Expenses	622
Bank Fees	250
Total cost	163,424

7. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board for financial support.

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

8. Yes. This application is seeking funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Funding. There is a balance of \$6,000 in the Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

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 Council Activities and Services, Community Support, Community Grants and Grants, pages 176 and 184, in the 2009-19 LTCCP.

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

11. Yes. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

13. Yes. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

14. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board approve the application and allocate \$500 funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme for Chelsea Richdale to represent New Zealand at the World's Synchronised Ice Skating Championships in Colorado Springs, USA from 8 to 10 April 2010.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.