

**11. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – WHARENUI WATER POLO CLUB**

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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 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme. There is currently \$4,000 in the Board's Youth Development Fund.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The Wharenui Waterpolo Club is requesting funding to send two Under 14 boys teams and one Under 14 girls team to the New Zealand Under 14 Water Polo Nationals being held in Tauranga in December 2010. Of the 22 team members competing at the Nationals, 14 reside in the Fendalton/Waimairi Ward.
3. The Wharenui Waterpolo Club is based at the Wharenui Sports Centre and was re-established in January this year after closing down in 1985. Since that time QE11 was the only water polo club in Christchurch. Club membership has steadily increased over the year to 150 members ranging from Under 10 to Under 18 age groups.
4. New Zealand Water Polo do not have formal qualifying criteria for teams to enter the Nationals, however there is the expectation that teams have actively competed in local and regional tournaments. The Wharenui Club teams have competed in the Wellington and Dunedin regional tournaments this year achieving respectable results considering that they are all first year players.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5. The total cost per person to compete at the Nationals is \$612 which includes air travel, accommodation, food and local transfers. Team members have been actively fundraising selling cook books and running raffles.
6. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

7. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme subject to the establishment of this scheme as part of the Board's 2010/11 Board Discretionary Response Fund.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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

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

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

9. 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?**

10. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

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

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

12. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

13. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board make a grant of \$100 to each of the 14 Fendalton/Waimairi residents competing in the Water Polo Nationals.