

11. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – GEORGINA AMBER TAYLOR

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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 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Georgina Amber Taylor, is a 14 year old Halswell resident and is seeking Board support to travel to Auckland to represent Canterbury at the New Zealand Rhythmic Gymnastics National Championships. This trip will take place from 27 – 31 July 2011.
3. Georgina has been involved in rhythmic gymnastics for three years and currently trains up to 11 hours a week over four sessions. In 2011 alone, Georgina has produced good results with a third in group at the Canterbury Championships, a sixth in the overall at the Secondary School Championships, a second in group and eighth overall at the South Island Championships.
4. Georgina is working towards being selected for New Zealand to compete in the Australian National Championships in 2013. Competing well at the New Zealand Rhythmic Gymnastics National Championships this year is her first step towards this future goal.
5. Georgina has only recently been informed of her selection in the Canterbury team and due to her school commitments and Duke of Edinburgh Awards, has been unable to do any other fundraising. Georgina also has a younger sister competing at the same Championships and due to the financial commitment required from her family, she would appreciate any financial assistance from the Community Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

GEORGINA AMBER TAYLOR	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	172
Entry Fees	130
Accommodation	350
Van Rental, Insurance, Petrol	136
Official Reimbursement	80
Total Cost	\$ 868
Amount Requested from the Community Board	\$ 400

7. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Board's Youth Development Scheme..

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

8. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

9. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Aligns with page 184 in the 2009-19 LTP.

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

11. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

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. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

At the time of receiving Georgina's application, the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme had not yet been established and therefore the application is now retrospective. The application was initially received in time for processing according to the Council processes.

It is therefore recommended that subject to the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme being established, the Board support the application and allocate \$350 to Georgina Amber Taylor, as a contribution towards her expenses for her trip to Auckland from the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.