

13. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – JOHANNA HELENA THEELEN

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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 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant, Johanna Helena Theelen, is a 19 year old Ilam resident and is seeking Board support to travel to China to represent New Zealand at the 2011 Fédération Internationale de Natation (FINA) World Waterpolo Championships. This trip takes place from 6 - 14 July 2011.
3. Johanna is a second year student at CPIT School of Nursing and prior to that a student at Villa Maria College. Johanna has always excelled in several sports including water polo and hockey, with water polo being her main sport where she has represented at a regional level since 2002. Johanna has been selected for New Zealand age group teams since U14s, then progressed to the New Zealand Schoolgirls team in 2008, the New Zealand Junior Women's team in 2009 and was selected for the New Zealand Senior Women's team in 2011.
4. Selection for the Senior Women's Waterpolo team has demanded a huge commitment from Johanna which she has happily made. Johanna not only trains on most days through the week, but also continues with her nursing studies. Unfortunately, Johanna has had to relinquish her part time job due to these other demands, but this has been necessary in order to achieve her goals.
5. Although senior water polo receives funding from (FINA), the cost of this trip is quite high due to the lead up tournaments in Australia and training camps in Auckland. Players have been responsible for a majority of these costs and Johanna has funded her own involvement for these trips totalling in excess of \$3,000.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

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EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares (international & national)	Costs submitted were based on a team of 16 and not broken down individually.
Visa	
Accommodation and food (Perth & China)	
Ground Transport	
Coach and Referee Costs	
Additional Costs	
Total Cost	
Less FINA Rebate	3,385
Total Cost	4,603
Amount Requested from the Community Board	\$ 500

7. The applicant was allocated \$500 from the 2009/10 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 Johanna's application, the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme had not yet been established and therefore the application is now retrospective.

It is therefore recommended that, subject to the Riccarton/Wigram 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme being established, the Community Board support the application and allocate \$500 to Johanna Helena Theelen, as a contribution towards her expenses for her trip to China from the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.