

11. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – SELENA METHERELL

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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.
2. There is currently \$3,000 in the 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. The purpose of the Youth Development Scheme is to celebrate and support young people living in the Fendalton/Waimairi ward by providing financial assistance for their development. The Board also seeks to acknowledge young people's effort, achievement and potential excellence in the community.
4. The Youth Development Scheme will consider applications for the following activities:
 - **Personal Development and Growth**
For example leadership training, career development, Outward Bound, Spirit of Adventure, extra curricular educational opportunities.
 - **Representation at Events**
Applicants can apply for assistance if you have been selected to represent your school, team or community at a local, national or international event or competition. This includes sporting, cultural and community events.
5. The following eligibility criteria must be met:
 - Age groups 12-20 years.
 - Projects must have obvious benefits for the young person and if possible the wider community.
 - Only one application per person permitted per year.
 - Applicants should be undertaking other fundraising activities and not relying solely on Community Board support.
 - Successful applicants will be required to attend a Youth Celebration event hosted by the Community Board to report back on their experiences.
6. The applicant is Selena Metherell, a 17 year Unlimited Paenga Tawhiti student living in Fendalton.
7. Selena has been selected for the New Zealand Junior Orienteering Team to compete at the Junior World Championships in Poland in July this year. Selena has been described as a remarkable all round athlete having been successful in several different sporting codes including triathlon, cycling and athletics. However orienteering is her passion, where she has achieved successes at national and international level over the past three years.
8. Selena's results from the 2008, 2009, 2010 Australian Championships, and the 2010 Junior World Championships held in Denmark, have been the catalyst for selection in this year's team. Following the championships in Poland, Selena and the team will be travelling to Finland to compete in a five day international event, then on to Slovakia for a training camp. The training camp will give the team experience on terrain that will be similar to next year's Junior World Championships.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The total cost to attend the tournament in Poland is \$7,700, which covers air fares, accommodation, travel insurance, uniforms and entry fee. With a regular calendar of national and international events Selena and her family are regularly fundraising through dinners, commission sales and Selena works part time tutoring maths, baby sitting and works in café.

10. This is the second time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support. In 2009 the board granted Selena \$400 to compete in the Australian Secondary schools Orienteering Championships.

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

11. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2010/11 Discretionary Funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

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

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

13. 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?

14. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

16. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

17. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board make a grant of \$400 to Selena Metherell towards the costs of competing in the Junior World Orienteering Championships in Poland.