

11. **APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S 2011/12 DISCRETIONARY RESPONSE FUND – RICCARTON RACECOURSE BOWLING CLUB**

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**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is for the Board to consider an application for funding from its 2011/12 Discretionary Response Fund from Riccarton Racecourse Bowling Club for \$1,160.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. In 2011/12, the total pool available for allocation for the Fendalton/Waimairi Discretionary Response Fund is \$51,197. The Discretionary Response Fund opens each year on 1 July and closes on 30 June the following year, or when all funds are expended.
3. The purpose of the Fund is to assist community groups where the project and funding request fall outside other council funding criteria and/or closing dates. This fund is also for emergency funding for unforeseen situations.
4. At the Council meeting of 22 April 2010, Council resolved to change the criteria and delegations around the local Discretionary Response Fund.
5. The change in criteria limited the items that the local Discretionary Response Fund does not cover to only:
  - (a) Legal challenges or Environment Court challenges against the Council, Council Controlled Organisations or Community Boards decisions;
  - (b) Projects or initiatives that change the scope of a Council project; and
  - (c) Projects or initiatives that will lead to ongoing operational costs to the Council.

Council also made a note that: "*Community Boards can recommend to the Council for consideration grants under (b) and (c).*"

6. Based on these criteria, the application from Riccarton Racecourse Bowling Club for shading system upgrade is eligible for funding. The Club has already applied to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board for funding from their Discretionary Response Fund and a grant of \$1,740 was approved by the Board on 19 July 2011.
7. Detailed information on the application and staff comments are included in the attached Decision Matrix. (**Attachment 1**)

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. There is currently \$51,197 remaining in the Board's 2011/12 Discretionary Response Fund.

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

9. Yes, see page 184 of the LTCCP regarding community grants schemes including Board funding

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

10. There are no legal considerations.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

11. Aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans, page 172 and 176.

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

12. Yes, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes, including Board funding.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

13. Refer to the attached Decision Matrix.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

14. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board approve a grant of \$1,160 from its 2011/12 Discretionary Response Fund to the Riccarton Racecourse Bowling Club towards the purchase of steel shade canopies.