

10. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – TAYLOR ALDRIDGE

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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.
2. There is currently \$3,500 in the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. The applicant is Taylor Aldridge a 14 year old Burnside High School student living in Avonhead.
4. Taylor is requesting funding towards the cost of attending the Spirit of Adventure programme in May this year. The Spirit of Adventure Trust was established to provide the youth of New Zealand with access to a character development programme conducted in a maritime environment. It is a unique environment for youth development, where the focus of learning for participants is on team-work and developing skills of communication, self-reliance, self-discipline, self-esteem, resilience, confidence and leadership.
5. Taylor will be participating in a five day Spirit Trophy course which targets Year 10 Students. Teams of 10 students from four schools, with one teacher per team, compete against each other over the five day period. The team with the most points at the end of voyage wins the Spirit Trophy. All events include teamwork, problem solving, debating, ship handling and aquatic sports. Teams also go ashore for a day and complete a task that involves ingenuity, leadership, reward and fun.
6. Taylor has been selected by the school to attend the programme due to her leadership potential and contribution to her sport. She is a Canterbury hockey and touch rugby representative and coaches her younger sister's hockey team at Merrin Primary School and also coaches the Burnside Year 9 hockey team.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The total cost to attend the Spirit of Adventure Trophy Course is \$850. Taylor has been actively fundraising running cake stalls, sausage sizzles and has part time work time keeping for hockey games at Nunweek Park.
8. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

9. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2011/12 Discretionary Funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

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

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. 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?

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board make a grant of \$200 to Taylor Aldridge towards the cost of attending the Spirit of Adventure voyage.