

8. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM BOARD 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – ROBERT MICHAEL LORD

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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, Robert Michael Lord, is a 22 year old Ilam resident who is seeking Board support to travel to Spain to represent New Zealand and compete in the I.T.U Long Distance Triathlon World Championships. This trip will take place from 22 July – 2 August 2012.
3. Robert has been involved in various sports throughout his schooling years where he excelled in gymnastic and swimming as well as athletics. He worked hard to earn his New Zealand ranking in men's hurdles by the age of 18. Once Robert left school he concentrated on rugby and was selected to play rugby in the Colts Premier grade. From here Robert went on to make the New Zealand Institute of Sport rugby team.
4. In recent years, Robert turned to longer distances in swimming and running, where he also excelled and then also developed his cycling skills. Robert coached himself and developed links with swim and cycle squads where he was able to learn while supporting himself and working a full time job. It has only taken Robert two years in the sport to gain selection in the New Zealand team for both the sprint and long distance triathlon.
5. Robert pays for all of his sporting expenses and will be allocating his savings to cover a majority of this trip. He has also applied to Sport Canterbury for assistance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

Robert Michael Lord	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares	2,800
Accommodation and food	1,279
Entry Fee + Race License	195
Uniform	300
Misc	65
Total Cost	\$ 4,639
Amount Requested from the Community Board	Not indicated

7. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board's Youth Development Scheme.
8. At the time of writing this report, there was a balance of \$5,803 in the 2011/12 Youth Development Fund.

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

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

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LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Aligns with page 184 in the 2009-19 LTCCP.

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

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

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. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board support the application and allocate \$600 to Robert Michael Lord, as a contribution towards his trip to Spain to attend the I.T.U Long Distance Triathlon World Championships , from the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme..