

## 9. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – NATHAN STEWART

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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 \$6,200 in the 2011/12 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 Community 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 Nathan Stewart, a 15 year old Burnside High School student living in Bryndwr.
7. Nathan is requesting funding towards the cost attending the Spirit of Adventure programme in March 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.
8. Nathan is the captain of the school cricket team and is in the school volleyball team. He is also a member of the Burnside Elim Church youth group.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The total cost to attend the Spirit of Adventure programme is \$1,800. Nathan has been actively fundraising selling home made cakes prior to Christmas from a road side stall and has part time work baby sitting.
10. 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?**

11. 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?**

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 \$250 to Nathan Stewart towards the cost of attending the Spirit of Adventure programme.