10. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – MAX MIDDLETON

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 3. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.
- 4. There is currently \$2,350 in the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 3. The applicant is Max Middleton a 13 year old Burnside High School student living in Bryndwr.
- 4. Max is requesting funding assistance towards the cost of attending the "Piping Hot Summer Drummer" school held at Silver Mountain, British Columbia, Canada and the World Pipe Band Championships in Scotland. The "Piping Hot Summer Drummer" school is a two week programme teaching bagpipes, Highland dancing and drums.
- 5. Max has been awarded a Scholarship for one weeks free tuition at the summer school but is required to cover his airfares. Max has been playing the bagpipes since 2008 and has reached a very high standard. He is a member of the Riccarton and Scottish Society Pipe Band and has attended the Royal New Zealand Pipe Band summer school for the past three years.
- 6. Following the summer school in Canada, Max will travel to Scotland and compete in several competitions culminating in the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow. Max's involvement in the summer school and the World Pipe Band Championships will give him the opportunity to learn from world class tutors which will improve his skills and have positive flow on benefits for the local pipe band community.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7. The total cost for Max to attend the summer school and the World Pipe Band Championships in Scotland is \$8,000. This includes airfares, accommodation, travel, registration fees and uniforms. Both Max's parents will be accompanying him on the trip which will run from 4 July through to 13 August 2012. Max has been fundraising through busking and performances at community events and functions.
- 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 Community 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 Board make a grant of \$400 to Max Middleton towards the cost of attending the summer school in Canada and competing in the World Pipe Band Championships in Scotland.