10. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON WIGRAM 2012/13 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – MEGAN JOHNSTON

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Community Board approval for an application for funding from the 2012/13 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. The applicant, Megan Johnston is a 21 year old Riccarton resident and a fourth year medical student. She is seeking Community Board support to participate in an Outward Bound course running 5 November 2012 to 25 November 2012.
- 3. Megan has always wanted to do an Outward Bound course, however time and money has precluded this. With this last year of study, she feels this will be the last opportunity she has to participate in one of these programmes.
- 4. She is expecting that spending 21 days with strangers participating in activities that are out of her comfort zone will teach her more about herself and give her life skills that will make her a better doctor in the future. Megan believes it will make her more independent and increase her confidence.
- 5. Megan plays hockey and has been involved in Young Jaycees International and has run service groups. Her future goal is to become a doctor and lead a well balanced life.
- 6. Megan has been fundraising by tutoring and undertaking a summer job. This money as well as savings and gifts from friends and family has met the course costs, however she is seeking funding for equipment that she is required to have for the course. Her biggest need is \$250 for a suitable waterproof jacket.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The following outlines budgetary requirements for Megan's project.

Megan Johnston	
Total Cost of course	\$3755
Required equipment and clothing for course	\$610
Funds raised to date	\$4365
Amount Requested from Community Board	\$610

- 8. This is the first time the applicant has applied for funding from the Community Board.
- 9. There is currently \$4,160 unallocated in the Riccarton/Wigram 2012/13 Youth Development Scheme.

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

10. Yes, see page 172, regarding the Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

11. Yes.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

12. Yes.

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

13. Yes, see page 172, regarding the Board funding.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

14. Yes, in alignment with the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

15. Yes, application aligns with Council Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

16. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Community Board support the application and allocate \$250 to Megan Johnston as a contribution towards her expenses for her Outward Bound course from the Riccarton/Wigram 2012/13 Youth Development Scheme.