

## 14. ADAM INTERNATIONAL CELLO FESTIVAL AND COMPETITION



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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present an application for funding from the Adam International Cello Festival and Competition organisers for funding from the Annual Grants Fund for 2006/07.

### BACKGROUND

2. In July 2006 at the Annual Grants allocation meeting, the Metropolitan Funding Subcommittee approved a recommendation to discontinue funding for the Orchestra Hirers Group and to redirect this funding directly to the recipient groups.
3. The Orchestra Hirers Group was an entity that distributed funding received via an annual grant from the Council to those performing arts groups which required the services of the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra and needed assistance with the costs. The Orchestra Hirers Group had received an annual grant from the Council of \$60,000 pa for a number of years.
4. Historically the Adam International Cello Festival and Competition organisers had received funding from the Orchestra Hirers Group and were expecting to be able to access this funding once again for their July 2006 Finals Gala Concert.
5. The Adam Cello Festival organisers' expectations regarding this funding was not known at the time of the grants meeting and hence no funding was redirected to the group at the time and they now have a shortfall of \$6,000 through not being able to receive a grant from the Orchestra Hirers group.

### ANNUAL GRANTS FUND BUDGET

6. The Subcommittee did not allocate the entire Annual Grants fund at its July meeting. There was approximately \$40,000 left aside at the meeting from which a subsequent grant of \$5,000 has been made to the City Choir leaving \$35,000 still available in the fund for distribution.
7. The Council could make an allocation of \$6,000 and stay within the budget for this fund for 2006/07.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Council approve a grant of \$6,000 to the Adam International Cello Festival and Competition from its Annual Grants fund for the 2006/07 year.