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**JOINT REPORT BY THE CHAIRMEN OF THE
AKAROA-WAIREWA COMMUNITY BOARD AND
LYTTELTON-MT HERBERT COMMUNITY BOARD
28 APRIL 2008**

PART A - MATTERS REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION

1. SPARC RURAL TRAVEL FUND FOR BANKS PENINSULA WARD



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PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of the report is to:

1. Seek the Council's approval to consider recommendations from the Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board and the Lyttelton-Mt Herbert Community Board regarding the allocation of the 2007/08 SPARC Rural Travel Funds for Banks Peninsula.
2. And to ask the Council to consider a process for the future allocation of the SPARC Rural Travel Fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

3. SPARC Rural Travel Funds are provided to encourage participation in sport by young people living in rural communities. It is open to rural sports clubs and rural school teams in areas that have less than 10 people/km². The fund is for young people aged between 5-19 years who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions. The fund is not available for travelling to regional or national events. A school club team is defined as one participating in regular local sport competitions in weekends, excluding inter-school and intra-school competitions during school time. A sports club is defined as participating in organised, regular sport competition through membership outside of school time. 'Local' for Peninsula young people means travelling to other sub-unions such as Ellesmere, Waihora, Lincoln and further afield to participate in regular competitions.
4. For the 2007/08 funding round SPARC have allocated \$8,000.00 (ex GST) for the Banks Peninsula area. The allocation is based on a population density formula for areas with less than 10 people per square kilometre and therefore excludes Lyttelton and Governors Bay.
5. Five per cent of funds may be allocated to advertising. Two advertisements were placed, in the Akaroa Mail and one in the Bay Harbour News, for a total cost of \$326.33. This means with a small surplus from last year there is a total of \$8,319.67 for distribution. All past applicants and the local schools have been mailed the funding application guidelines.
6. For the 2007/08 fund one application has been received from Lyttelton Mount/Herbert Ward & four from Akaroa/Wairewa Ward. Historically funds have been split between the two wards on the basis of areas that qualified for the funding – 64% for Akaroa-Wairewa and 36% for Lyttelton-Mt Herbert. Because there are more active sports clubs in the Akaroa-Wairewa area, previous years have seen surplus funds in the Lyttelton Mount Herbert area and over-budget requests in the Akaroa/Wairewa area. It is suggested that an assessment committee is formed by representatives from the two communities and that, in future, the SPARC rural travel fund comes under the combined jurisdiction of the two community boards. For this to occur the Council would need to delegate the decision making for these grants to the two Community Boards. A review of the delegations to the Community Boards is being carried out by Council staff. It is intended that the Council be asked as part of that process to include this delegation to the two Banks Peninsula Community Boards jointly.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The total amount available to distribute is \$8,319.67. The total amount of funds requested is \$14,500.

Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

8. The funding has been provided to the Christchurch City Council from SPARC and is aligned to the Council's community grants scheme.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. There are no legal considerations.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. This funding assists the Council to meet the community outcomes of Recreation Leisure in the 2006 – 2016 LTCCP by "giving everybody the opportunity to participate in sport and physical activity...."

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

11. Applications align with the Physical Recreation & Sport Strategy 2002, objective 4.1 "Sports clubs and associations are meeting the needs of the public."

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Akaroa-Wairewa Community Board and Lyttelton-Mt Herbert Community Board recommend:

- (a) That the Council approve the staff recommendations, contained in the attached matrix, for disbursement of the SPARC Rural Travel Fund for 2007/08
- (b) That the Council considers, as part of the review of Community Board delegations, to delegate to the two Banks Peninsula Community Boards jointly, the annual allocation of the SPARC Rural Travel Fund.

BOARD CONSIDERATION

The Boards were informed that further information had come to the attention of staff, which had necessitated the changing of the original calculations and recommendation. The new information related to the number of children from the Akaroa Area School who were eligible for the Rural Travel Fund subsidy, under the criteria set down by SPARC. The matrix had been altered accordingly with a second staff recommendation having been added for members consideration.

BOARDS RECOMMENDATION

The Boards **resolved:**

- (a) That the Council approve the recommendations, contained in the following table, for disbursement of the SPARC Rural Travel Fund for 2007/08.
- (b) That the Council considers, as part of the review of Community Board delegations, to delegate to the two Banks Peninsula Community Boards jointly, the annual allocation of the SPARC Rural Travel Fund.

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AKAROA AREA SCHOOL	\$ 1,092.26	TO ASSIST WITH AFTER SCHOOL TRAVEL COSTS OR WEEKEND TEAM COMPETITIONS IN THE LOCAL AREA PLUS TRAVEL TO COMPETITIONS IN CHRISTCHURCH AND THE CANTERBURY AREA.
DIAMOND HARBOUR RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB	\$ 2,000.00	TO ASSIST WITH THE COST OF TRANSPORT FOR JUNIOR CLUB TEAMS TO ATTEND AWAY GAMES IN ELLESMERE AREA AND TO TRANSPORT PLAYERS FROM OUTSIDE DIAMOND HARBOUR FOR PRACTICES.
BANKS PENINSULA NETBALL CLUB	\$ 1,386.33	TO ASSIST WITH TRAVEL EXPENSES TO COMPETE IN THE SELWYN NETBALL COMPETITION.
BANKS PENINSULA RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB	\$ 3,000.00	TO ASSIST WITH PROVIDING BUSES AND ASSIST WITH TRAVEL EXPENSES OF CAR POOLING TO TRAINING & COMPETITIONS FOR ALL JUNIOR GRADES.
BRITOMART SCOUT GROUP	\$ 840.20	TO ASSIST WITH TRAVEL COSTS TO LYTTTELTON AND OTHER LOCAL REGATTAS IN CHRISTCHURCH

**ARTICLE VIII.
CITY COUNCIL**

SPARC RURAL TRAVEL FUNDING APPLICATIONS 2007/2008 BANKS PENINSULA WARD OF THE CHRISTCHURCH

Name of group applying	Amount requested	Amount allocated last funding round(\$)	Distance travelled for competitions (km)	Purpose of travel grant	Number of members in organisation	Number of members Aged 5-19 yrs	Staff Recommendation	Second Staff Recommendation
Akaroa Area School	\$3,500	\$4000	Up to 150 km (return each trip)	To assist with after school-travel costs or weekend team competitions the local area, plus travel to competitions in Christchurch and the Canterbury area.	123	423 26	\$1,750 This is 50% of requested amount based on the rationale that a % of the sports travel is part of the school curriculum, and that the majority of the children who attend sports clubs in the Akaroa/Wairewa area would also attend Akaroa Area School	\$1092.26 (26 X \$42.01)
Diamond Harbour Rugby Football Club	\$2000	\$1000	Up to 100 kms (return)	To assist with the cost of transport for junior club teams to attend away games in Ellesmere area and to transport players from outside Diamond Harbour for practices.	100	63	\$2,000 As requested Figure based on a per capita basis for the balance of funds between the four sports clubs less the Akaroa school grant. \$31.89 per head x 63 children - (less \$9.00 in excess of their application	\$2,000.00 As requested

ARTICLE IX. SPARC RURAL TRAVEL FUNDING APPLICATIONS 2007/2008 (CONTINUED)

Name of group applying	Amount requested	Amount allocated last funding round(\$)	Distance travelled for competitions (km)	Purpose of travel grant	Number of members in organisation	Number of members Aged 5-19 yrs	Staff Recommendation	Second Staff Recommendation
Banks Peninsula Netball Club	\$4,000	Did not apply	100km return	To assist with travel expenses to compete in the Selwyn Netball competition.	43	33	\$1055 Based on per capita \$31.89 x 33 children plus \$3.00	\$1,386.33 (33 X \$42.01)
Banks Peninsula Rugby Football Club	\$3,000	\$2,000	Up to 150 km (return) each trip	To assist with providing buses and for U18 & U16 teams. To assist with travel expenses of car pooling to training & competitions for all junior grades.	130	90	\$2873 Based on per capita \$31.89 x 90 children plus \$3.00	\$3,000.00 As requested
Britomart Scout Group	\$2000	\$1714	100-200 kms (return)	To assist with travel costs to Lyttelton and other local regattas in Christchurch	20	20	\$641 Based on per capita basis \$31.89 x 20 children plus \$3.00	\$840.20 (20 x \$42.01)
TOTAL CHILDREN						232		

Staff recommendation Number Two - On the basis of further information about the school teams. This information was not available at the time the report went for approval. New information shows that the grant applies to only 26 students from Akaroa Area school.

New Total = 232 children Per capita grant = \$35.86 (\$8319.67/232)

This would give Diamond Harbour and Banks Peninsula Rugby Clubs more than requested.

Therefore: Recommend \$2,000 to Diamond Harbour Rugby Club – as requested

Recommend \$3,000 to Banks Peninsula Rugby Club – as requested.

The balance of funds - \$3,319.67 divided amongst the remaining applicants on a per capita basis of \$3,319.67/79 = \$42.01