

20. OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAMME SUBCOMMITTEE

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The purpose of this report is to inform the Board of the recommendations from the Out of School Programme Subcommittee in relation to funding holiday and after school programmes in Spreydon and Heathcote, and to update the Board on the progress of the new Rowley After School Programme, which began on 14 August, 2000.

BACKGROUND

In setting its Project Fund allocations for the 2000/2001 financial year the Board allocated \$20,000 for holiday programmes and \$40,000 for after school programmes. To date \$20,000 has been allocated from the after school project fund for the Rowley After School Programme.

On Tuesday 22 August 2000 the Out of School Programme Subcommittee met to consider applications for funding from the following organisations:

- Programmed Activities After School (PAAS)
- Waltham out of School Hours (WOOSH)
- Hoon Hay Youth Centre
- SHARP
- Addington After School Programme.

Applications were measured against the criteria that was set by the Community Board (see attached criteria). Whilst using these criteria the Subcommittee recommend that the following change to be made:

“That the programmes cater for the age range of 5–14 years in line with the recently adopted Christchurch City Council Out of School Programme Policy.”

It was also recommended that the application form be revamped to enable better representation of the applicants and to more provide more relevant information for good funding decisions to be made (see attached minutes).

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMES				
Organisation	Amount Requested	Recom-mended	Cost/child/day	Comment
Addington After School Programme	\$2,565	\$2,565	\$5 per session	Meeting needs of families in low decile communities
WOOSH	\$15,000	\$14,435	\$5 per session or lower depending on subsidy scheme	To fund continuation of successful sponsorship scheme for families unable to afford fees and do not qualify for the WINZ subsidy.
PAAS	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$8 per session	Programme currently struggling to meet costs. Serve a variety of schools in the area
TOTAL	\$20,565	\$20,000		

It was noted by the Subcommittee that the WOOSH funding request was for a significantly higher amount than other applications. WOOSH have successfully targeted families in the Waltham community who receive great benefits from the service that WOOSH offers. These families unfortunately slip through a loophole in the OSCAR subsidy system, and hence require the sponsorship scheme to be able to afford the WOOSH programme. Of the 50 families enrolled on the WOOSH programme 20 families utilise the sponsorship scheme. This means there is an average of ten *sponsored* children attending the programme each day.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES				
Organisation	Amount Requested	Recommended	Cost/child/week	Comment
Hoon Hay Youth Centre	\$1,200	nil	Koha \$1 or more for trips away	Does not meet OSP criteria, but could be funded from Youth Recreation funds.
SHARP	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$40 per week	Professionally run programme which has grown quickly over the last 12 months.
PAAS	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$60 (9am-3pm) \$80 (9am-6pm)	Programme currently struggling to meet costs. Serve a variety of schools in the area.
TOTAL	\$8,200	\$7,000		Remaining Holiday programme funds unallocated in anticipation of new needs developing.

ROWLEY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMME

The Rowley OSCAR After School Programme started on 14 August 2000. It is currently operating three days per week from 3-5pm. By the end of the first week 17 children were registered (the programme has a maximum of 20 children). Feedback from the school by teachers and the Principal, Graeme Farrant, has been very positive.

It is anticipated that an open day will be held soon and all Board members will receive an invitation.

The programme will operate five days per week in term 4.

Recommendation: That the Board allocate funds as per the above schedules from 2000/2001 Holiday Programme and After School Programme Project Fund.