

**FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY BOARD**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2009**

**AT 8.00AM**

**IN THE BOARDROOM**  
**FENDALTON SERVICE CENTRE**  
**CORNER JEFFREYS AND CLYDE ROADS**

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**1. APOLOGIES**

**2. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT**

**2.1 JAN ROGERS AND TRACY SCOTT – COMMUNITY MEDIATION SERVICE**

Jan Rogers and Tracy Scott will be in attendance to provide information to the Committee about community mediation services.

**2.2 YALDHURST RURAL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION – REQUEST FOR FUNDING**

Bob Cross, representing the Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association, will be in attendance to discuss clause 7 on the agenda.

**3. CORRESPONDENCE**

**3.1 NEW ZEALAND POLICE – PORTABLE CRIME CAMERA**

Correspondence has been received from the New Zealand Police requesting funding for a portable CCTV camera to assist in the reduction of crime within the ward. The letter is **attached**.

## 4. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – KATRINA SHERWOOD

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8607
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Unit Manager, Recreation and Sports
<b>Author:</b>	Ken Howat, Community Recreation Adviser

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

2. The applicant is Katrina Sherwood, a 17 year old Burnside High School student living in Avonhead. Katrina has been selected to represent the Canterbury Philippine Culture and Sports Club in volleyball at the Annual Filipino Reunion in Wellington 23 – 26 October 2009.
3. The Filipino Reunion is held annually and brings together Filipino communities from throughout New Zealand to compete in a wide variety of sports and cultural activities. The event attracts up to 7,000 people. To meet the criteria for this event participants must be either Filipino, of Filipino descent or have a Filipino partner.
4. The Philippine Culture and Sports Club co-ordinate a local basketball and volleyball sports programme that involves weekly training sessions and competitive and social games. Their programme also involves other sports such as tennis, table tennis and badminton and is run by volunteers from the Club. This programme not only encourages new migrants to be active and socialise, but is developing links with Canterbury sporting bodies for some of their players.
5. The Philippine Culture and Sports Club is a long standing member of the Federation of Filipino Associations, Societies and Clubs in New Zealand and players from their local competition have been selected to represent Christchurch at the Wellington tournament. The tournament is an opportunity for players to further develop their skills in a more competitive environment that will improve the quality of their own competitions in Christchurch.
6. The work of the Philippine Culture and Sports Club continues to grow in Christchurch and in September 2009, the annual 'Global Basketball' competition was held at Cowles and Pioneer Stadiums. Teams from various ethnic groups were invited to compete in a formal competition over a two-day period. The Philippine Culture and Sports Society came up with the initial concept for this competition three years ago, which is now being supported by the Christchurch City Council Recreation and Sports Unit and co-ordinated in conjunction with Canterbury Basketball Association 'Junior Advisory Group'.
7. All participants have been meeting weekly over past months to train intensively in their chosen sport, develop leadership skills and increase cultural awareness to enable them to excel as representatives of the Canterbury Philippine Culture and Sports Club. All members are actively involved in raising the funds required to attend the event. This includes a social night, a singing contest, a garage sale, selling of food and raffle tickets.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

8. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs per person for this trip.

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>Cost (\$)</b>
Return airfares	100
Domestic Transport	50
Registration fee	20
Accommodation	84
<b>Total Cost per person</b>	<b>254</b>

9. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

**4. Cont'd**

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

10. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Funding.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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

11. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

12. Aligns with page 184 of the LTCCP (Volume 1), regarding Community Grants funding.

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

13. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

14. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

15. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

16. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Board approve the application and allocate \$75 from its 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme to Katrina Sherwood to compete in the Filipino Reunion.

## 5. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – PHOEBE SHILLING

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8607
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Unit Manager, Recreation and Sports
<b>Author:</b>	Ken Howat, Community Recreation Adviser

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The applicant is Phoebe Shilling, a 13 year old Christchurch Girls' High School student living in Fendalton.
3. Phoebe has qualified to compete in the New Zealand National Open and Junior Diving Championships being held in Auckland from 23 – 25 October this year.
4. Phoebe is a member of the Canterbury Diving Club based at QEII and trains six days per week including sessions at the Christchurch School of Gymnastics. This year Phoebe won the Canterbury and Otago Championships in the 12-13 year girls one metre and three metre springboard section and will be competing in the South Island Championships in Dunedin.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The following table provides a breakdown of the costs per person.

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>Cost (\$)</b>
Air fares	162
Accommodation	150
Event fees	100
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$412</b>

6. This is the second time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support. In 2008 Phoebe was allocated \$150 to compete in last year's Diving Nationals.

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

7. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund.

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

8. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

### ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. Aligns with page 184 LTCCP (Volume 1), regarding Community Grants funding.

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

10. As above.

**5. Cont'd**

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

11. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

12. As above.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

13. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Board approve the application and allocate \$150 from its 2009/10 Youth Development Scheme to Phoebe Shilling to compete in the New Zealand National Open and Junior Diving Championships.

**6. REQUEST FOR FUNDING FROM CRIMEWATCH (CHCH) INC.**

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager, Community Services Group, DDI 941-8607
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Unit Manager, Community Support Unit
<b>Author:</b>	Maryanne Lomax, Community Development Adviser

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to present a request for funding to the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board on behalf of Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc. The request is for \$1,250 from the Board's Discretionary Response Fund. There is currently \$51,496 remaining in this fund for 2009/10.
2. Crimewatch is seeking funding for the sign-writing of five community patrol cars. The total amount requested for this project is \$2,500, half of which is being requested from the Shirley/Papanui Community Board.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. Papanui Community Watch Inc was incorporated in 1995 and recently (April 2009) changed its name to Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc.
4. Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc acts to "assist the New Zealand Police in the promotion and fostering of law and order within the Christchurch Police sub-district by means of mobile and foot patrols, encouraging the general public to assist in this objective and to endeavour to provide a safer community for residents to live in" (Rule #2, Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc).
5. The area in which this organisation operates is covered by both the Fendalton/Waimairi and Shirley/Papanui Wards. However, the organisation does also assist on projects outside this area, notably in other areas of the Northern Policing Area and at functions at AMI Stadium.
6. Because of the change of name, the organisation now wishes to update the signage on its vehicles.
7. Previously the organisation used to get sponsorship for the sign-writing but its sponsor is unable to assist it with such a large number of vehicles as previously it only had one done at a time which was usually as it replaced a vehicle.
8. As part of the project it will also be fitting emergency lighting to each vehicle. The additional cost of this will be met by the organisation.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9. The total cost of this project is \$5,500, of which Crimewatch is requesting a \$2,500 grant. This request is shared between Fendalton/Waimairi and Shirley/Papanui Community Boards.
10. The latest Annual Audited Accounts (to 31 March 2009) of this organisation show an annual turnover of approximately \$12,000 with a surplus for the year of just over \$3,000. Its accounts showed a balance of almost \$3,800.
11. There is currently \$51,496 remaining in the Board's 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund.

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

12. Yes. Page 184 of the LTCCP (Volume 1).

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

13. There are no legal considerations.

**6. Cont'd**

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

14. Yes.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

15. This application aligns with LTCCP and Activity Management Plans.

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

16. Yes.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

17. This application aligns with the Council's Strengthening Communities Strategy, specifically:

- Enhancing the safety of communities and neighbourhoods.

18. It also aligns with the following Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board's objective:

- That the Fendalton/Waimairi Ward is a safe place for all residents.

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

19. Yes.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

20. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Services Committee recommends that the Board makes a grant of \$1,250 from its 2009/10 Discretionary Response Fund to Crimewatch (ChCh) Inc towards the costs of updating the signage on five patrol vehicles.

## 7. YALDHURST RURAL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION - REQUEST FOR FUNDING

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager Community Services, DDI 941-8607
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Community Support Manager
<b>Author:</b>	Karen Wason, Community Engagement Adviser

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to present a funding request from the Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association for \$15,000. The request is for funding from the Fendalton/Waimairi Discretionary Response Fund.
2. The request is for funding to cover legal expenditure to be incurred in relation to its appeal to the Environment Court. The appeal opposes the granting of a retrospective land use consent to Blackstone Quarries Limited.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

3. The Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association ('the Association') is a registered Incorporated Society. The Association's Funding Application Form states that one of the objectives of the Association is to advocate for the rural residents of Yaldhurst on any issues they wish to pursue. They estimate that 50% of their residents reside in the Riccarton/Wigram ward and 50% in the Fendalton/Waimairi ward. Statistics provided by the Strategy and Planning Group (Christchurch City Council) show however that 77% of the Association's population (453) are located in the Fendalton/Waimairi Ward with only 23% (138) in Riccarton/Wigram Ward.
4. The Association advised that over the past three years they have been involved in six major applications by companies trying to establish industrial activities in the rural community. The appeal in this case relates to Blackstone Quarries Ltd.
5. In 2007 Blackstone Quarries Limited was issued with a Certificate of Compliance by the Christchurch City Council for 325 Old West Coast Road. The Certificate states that the crushing, screening and storage of recycled concrete and/or gravel not quarried on the site, for the use in the production of roading materials, is a permitted activity on the site.
6. In 2008 Blackstone Quarries Limited applied for a retrospective land use consent to operate a contracting depot from the same site. The Association made a submission on the land use consent application. As part of the submission the Association challenged the validity of the Council's decision to issue the earlier Certificate of Compliance.
7. The Commissioner ruled in favour of Blackstone Quarries Limited and granted the retrospective land use consent. The Association has since obtained its own legal opinion in respect to the Commissioner's decision, including the validity and relevance of the earlier Certificate of Compliance. On the basis of this opinion the Association has lodged an appeal in the Environment Court. They estimate that it will take six months to achieve an outcome in respect to the appeal.
8. The Association seeks financial assistance for their appeal to the Environment Court. The estimated total project cost is \$29,250. They requested \$15,000 from the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board to assist with these costs. The Riccarton/Wigram Community Services Committee recommended \$5,500 in September 2009 and this goes to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board for ratification on Wednesday 7 October.
9. The Association also made an application for funding to the Environmental Legal Assistance Fund (administered by the Ministry for the Environment) for the entire project cost. The Ministry for the Environment declined their application concluding the case was of local interest only and did not meet the minimum threshold for environmental public interest (decision **attached**). The Panel noted that:
  - (a) The certificate of compliance to crush concrete on the site extends the life of mineral processing activities on the site but the certificate cannot be challenged at the environment court hearing.

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- (b) The remaining issues in the case relating to the storage of trucks and earthmoving equipment might give rise to amenity effects on neighbouring properties but are not of sufficient moment to warrant a contribution from the Fund.
- (c) The group and/or its members have some private interest in the outcome.
10. Staff also gave advice to the Association that they should make enquiries to Community Law, who do have some Resource Management expertise on board. The Association to date has not done this.
11. A letter has been received from Mr Blakely, the Managing Director of Blackstone Quarries Limited. Mr Blakely questions why the Council, through a Community Board, would fund a community group (Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association) to take action against itself. In the letter he also points out that (a) the work of Blackstone Quarries Limited is promoting sustainability as targeted by the Council and (b) previous Resource Management Act issues have led to the company laying off staff and he does not want to have to repeat this. Mr Blakely has been advised that the issues he raised will be considered when the Community Board makes its decision in respect to the funding request.
12. Blackstone Quarries Limited is situated on the corner of Old West Coast Road and Miners Road, and lies in the Fendalton/Waimairi ward.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

13. The estimated total project cost is \$29,250, broken down into \$10,500 preparation costs, \$5,250 for the presentation at the hearing, \$1,500 legal instructions and disbursements and \$12,000 planners' preparation. The Association is seeking \$15,000 from the Board's Discretionary Response Fund.
14. All of the Association's funds at present are tagged for operational expenses and the payment of legal costs already incurred which are not part of the \$29,250 project cost with the exception of \$495 which they have budgeted for this project.
15. The Board's Discretionary Response Fund is one of the Council's grant funding schemes under the Strengthening Communities Strategy. In accordance with the Guide to the Discretionary Response Fund (**attached**), legal expenditure cannot be funded unless the particular issue is one of "precedence which has previously been supported by Community Boards". Therefore, unless there is any evidence that the Blackstone Quarries appeal is an issue that has previously been supported by the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board, or any other Community Board, this application does not fall within the terms of the Discretionary Response Fund.
16. The Community Funding Manager has advised that this project is not eligible for Strengthening Communities funding.
17. However, as set out in a Memo, dated May 2008, from the Regulation and Democracy Services General Manager, Peter Mitchell, the Community Board '*does have absolute discretion over the allocation of its discretionary funding allocation of \$60,000 (subject to being consistent with any policies, or standards adopted by the Council)*'.
18. The Memo sets out suggested guidelines for Community Boards in respect to providing funding for resource management related issues, as follows:
- "The Community Board supports groups that are involved in cases where:*
- The matter before the Council or Court is of an environmental public interest.*
  - The focus of the case is the protection or enhancement of environmental quality.*
  - The case affects the wider community or general public.*
  - There is likely to be an imbalance between the level or quality of evidence and case management due to a lack of financial resources.*
  - The group has shown why financial assistance is required.*

**7. Cont'd**

*Other matters that could be considered by the Community Board include:*

- *The commitment of the group and resources they can contribute.*
- *The group's ability to manage the case and previous experience in legal cases.*
- *The prospects of success for the case.*
- *Whether the case is unreasonable (frivolous) or undesirable.*
- *Whether the group has a financial interest in the outcome.*
- *Any overlap with other parties' cases.*
- *Whether or not the group is open to mediation."*

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

19. From page 186 of the LTCCP (Volume 1), under Community Funding, the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board has discretionary funds for allocation during the 2009/10 financial year.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

20. Advice has been sought from the Council's Legal Services Unit. The Legal Advice in summary is that the application for funding falls outside the Discretionary Response Fund criteria (unless the Community Board has previously supported the issue). However, the Community Board does have the discretion to accept the application for funding despite this. Regard should be had to the criteria discussed above when deciding whether to exercise this discretion.

**ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

21. Under the Community Grants Activity Management Plan, funding for this project aligns under the Community Grants Funding Priorities and Outcomes, but does not align with the Discretionary Response Fund guidelines.

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

22. As above.

**ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

**Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

- 23.. Funding for this project aligns with the Council's Community Outcomes - A Safe City and A Healthy City as well as Healthy Environment and Liveable City strategic outcomes.

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

24. Nil.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

25. It is recommended that the Committee recommend that the Fendalton/Waimairi Community Board decline funding to the Yaldhurst Rural Residents' Association for legal expenditure related to the Environment Court appeal.

## 8. NEIGHBOURHOOD WEEK FUNDING

<b>General Manager responsible:</b>	General Manager Community Services, DDI 941-8534
<b>Officer responsible:</b>	Community Support Manager
<b>Author:</b>	Karen Wason, Community Engagement Adviser

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to provide information about the applicants who have applied for funding for Neighbourhood Week to assist the Board with its decisions about the allocation of that funding.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Neighbourhood Week is a dedicated week in which individuals and groups are encouraged to run a neighbourhood event to get to know one another better. This year Neighbourhood Week is being held from 31 October - 8 November 2009. Applications for funding closed on 4 September 2009. This funding is seen as a subsidy to small local events.
3. Local community groups, including residents' associations and neighbourhood support groups were sent information in August 2009 inviting them to apply for the Neighbourhood Week Funding.
4. Forty nine applications for funding were received and all applicants meet the set criteria and are worthy applicants. This compares with 34 applicants last year (2008).
5. Total funding requests totalled \$6,947.50, for the \$3,750 allocated by the Board. In making recommendations for funding, a \$2 per head approach was first applied (using the lowest expected number of people likely to attend the event), with applications for large amounts capped at \$150. None of the recommendations include giving more funds than was applied for by the applicant. Some minor adjustments were made to ensure a consistent and fair approach to all applicants.
6. A matrix with application details and options is **attached** to this agenda.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The Board has set aside \$3,750 from the Strengthening Communities Fund to assist individuals and groups to run Neighbourhood Week events. It is not the intention of this funding to totally fund events and those applying for funding are expected to partially resource their events themselves, either financially or through supply of materials.

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

8. Page 182 off the LTCCP 2009 - 2019 under Strengthening Communities.

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. Nil.

### ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Yes, in the Community Support section of the LTCCP 2009 – 2019 (Volume 1); pages 170 - 176.

### ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

#### Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

11. Funding for Neighbourhood Week events aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, 2007.

**8. Cont'd**

**CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

12. Not applicable.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Community Services Committee consider the recommended allocation of Neighbourhood Week Funding as set out in the matrix and allocate funds to the value of \$3,750.

**9. COMMUNITY BOARD ADVISER'S UPDATE**

**9.1 BOARD COMMENT ON "ALCOHOL IN OUR LIVES" ISSUES PAPER**

Board members have received copies of the above Issues Paper and this is an opportunity to discuss any comments the Board may wish to put forward in a submission. The Christchurch City Council will be making a formal submission on this matter and it is recommended that the Board forward any comments to the Council for consideration in developing its submission.