

12. APPLICATION TO THE RICCARTON WIGRAM 2010/11 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME — ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY COLLEGE WEIGHTLIFTING TEAM

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The St Thomas of Canterbury College Weightlifting Team has nine members that reside in the Riccarton/Wigram area that are applying for funding assistance to compete at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Weightlifting Championships in Auckland. This trip will take place 10 – 11 September 2010.
3. Representatives from Riccarton/Wigram ward are :
Sean Vijendra Nair aged 16
James Gordon Lobban aged 16
Tyler Graham Cowles aged 15
Kieran William Harrington aged 15
Alexander Edwin James Stewart aged 15
Thomas Elliott MacDonald aged 15
Max Alexander Mallinson aged 14
Samuel Roger Anthony Prendergast aged 15
Jack Thomas Mallinson aged 15
4. The High School Weightlifting Programme in the ward has developed over the past few years since the relocation of the Christchurch Weightlifting Association to the Sockburn Recreation Centre. The programme has specifically targeted local schools with a view to introducing and developing weightlifting as a serious sport to those athletes in the area.
5. This is the first time the school has sent away a large team of weightlifters and this reflects the success of their training and preparation. Most athletes train between four – six times a week and various titles have been won by members in this team, including Canterbury and South Island Championships and Oceania titles.
6. The aim of this trip is to compete at the highest school level in New Zealand and to win both individual titles and the overall Schools' Points Trophy from Auckland Grammar School. From here, some of the athletes have higher aspirations of further representing Canterbury and possibly New Zealand in the future. In 2011 the school will be hosting the Secondary Schools' Nationals in Christchurch for the first time, making the sport and this competition more available to the South Island Schools.
7. The team are holding a quiz night for their trip where they hope to raise \$120 for each athlete and they would appreciate any assistance from the Community Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. The following table provides a breakdown of funding requested:

| ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY COLLEGE – COST PER ATHLETE | |
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| EXPENSES | Cost (\$) |
| Airfares | \$160 |
| Entry fee | \$20 |
| Accommodation and food | \$160 |
| Uniform | \$150 |
| Transport | \$40 |
| Total Cost | \$530 |
| Total cost for 9 athletes | \$4,770 |

9. This is the first time the applicants have applied to the Board for funding.

10. At the time of writing this report, there was a balance of \$4,040 in the Youth Development Fund.

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

11. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

12. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

13. Aligns with page 184 in the 2009-19 LTCCP.

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

14. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

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

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

16. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

17. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board support the application and allocate \$100 to each athlete from the St Thomas of Canterbury College Weightlifting Team, totalling \$900, as a contribution towards their trip to Auckland from the Riccarton/Wigram 2010/11 Youth Development Scheme.