

13. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE 2009/10 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – SAMUEL WYNSTON-RICHARDS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Board, an application for funding assistance from the Spreydon/ Heathcote 2009/10 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by Samuel Wynston-Richards, 16 year old of Cashmere, to represent St Andrews College on an English Premier League football training tour.
3. The application was received prior to the event taking place as required in the criteria.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. The following table detail event expenses and funding requested for each applicant:

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Accommodation & Food	\$1,710
Flights	\$3,200
Training Fees	\$1,000
Uniform	\$100
Ground Transport	\$200
Total Cost	6,210
Amount raised	\$1,750
Amount requested	\$400

5. This is the first time the applicant has applied for funding from the Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme.
6. There is currently a balance of \$2,000 available in the 2009/10 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

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

7. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

8. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

9. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

10. Yes.

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

11. Yes, Community Grants (pg 176), Strengthening Communities (pg 172), and Recreation and Sports Services (pg.108).

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

12. Application aligns with the Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

13. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board allocate Samuel Wynston-Richards \$350 from the 2009/10 Youth Achievement Scheme fund towards costs to travel with St Andrews College on an English Premier League football training tour.

CHAIRPERSONS RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND OF APPLICANT

Samuel Wynston-Richards

14. Samuel attends St Andrews College where he plays football (soccer) for the first eleven and where he has been the captain for the last two years. He has played for the Cashmere Wanderers but, since being at secondary school he represents his school. His school team competes in the Under 17 year old league and they came second last year.
15. St Andrews College takes a group of boys on the English Premier League tour every two to three years. The school selects senior boys from the first eleven team who are performing well since the trials in Term one. The tour includes the following:
- Tour of the Stamford Bridge Stadium in Chelsea followed by a double training session at the Chelsea Football Club Academy.
 - Friendly match against a local side in London.
 - Double training with Fulham Football Club's youth coaches and a chance to watch professionals train.
 - Watch a Premier Youth League Academy match and Premier League match in London.
 - Training session at Liverpool Football Club Academy and guided tour of complex.
 - Friendly match against local side in New England.
 - Double training session at Manchester City training grounds followed by tour of match stadium.
16. Samuel hopes to improve his football skills and learn more about the professional teams in England. The tour is described in the itinerary as '*a dream come true for any football enthusiast*'. The players will learn the history of successful English football clubs and get to experience the latest training techniques from internationally qualified trainers with a youth focus. The tour also includes the opportunity to do some sightseeing around London and New England.
17. The boys who were chosen to go on the tour are committed to fundraising. Sam estimates he has worked at least 20 volunteer hours and has worked 100 hours for his parents and their business for an allowance. The school confirmed the tour 6 months prior to the trip which has not given the team long to fundraise compared to most senior school trips (usually 1-2 years). The team plans to fundraise \$3,500 per player. They have pooled all their money and worked on the following fundraising activities; sold food at the Chinese Lantern Festival, sold raffle tickets, ran a pub quiz, sold cookies, and ran several sausage sizzles.