13. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE 2010/11 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – JESSICA WATSON, YVETTE PUGH, VERONICA PUGH

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Board, three applications for funding assistance from the Spreydon/ Heathcote 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2. Funding is being sought by the following applicants:
 - a) Jessica Watson, 12 year old from Addington to attend the 19th NZ Scout Jamboree, with Holmes Park Scout Group, at Mystery Creek Hamilton from 29 December 2010 to 6 January 2011.
 - b) Yvette Pugh, 13 year old from Cashmere, to compete in the 2010 New Zealand DanceSport Championships (Class A) in Auckland from 23-24 October 2010.
 - c) Veronica Pugh, 15 year old from Cashmere, to attend the 2010 New Zealand DanceSport Championships (Class A) in Auckland from 23-24 October 2010.
- 3. Jessica Watson's application is not considered high priority as her participation is not based on a selection process due to outstanding achievement rather, its part of a scout group trip. Veronica Pugh's application is not considered high priority as her participation in this competitive event is non-competitive.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

a) Jessica Watson

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Jamboree fee	\$645
Travel (airfares and coach)	\$302
Uniform	\$95
Pre-Jamboree training camp	\$40
Equipment Hire	\$85
Subsidy of leaders fee	\$243
Total Cost	\$1,410
Amount raised with group	\$147
Other grants (Riccarton/Wigram	\$204
and Pub Charity)	
Amount requested	\$200

b) Yvette Pugh

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Accommodation	\$168.75
Flights	\$140
Insurance	\$20
Registration Fee	\$60
Ground Transport	\$111
Total cost	\$499.75
Amount raised	\$0
Amount requested	\$499.75

c) Veronica Pugh

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Accommodation	\$168.75
Flights	\$140
Insurance	\$20
Spectator Fee	\$60
Ground Transport	\$111
Total cost	\$499.75
Amount raised	\$0
Amount requested	\$499.75

- 5. This is the first time all applicants have applied for funding from the Spreydon/ Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme.
- 6. Holmes Park Scout Group has been granted \$1,250 from Riccarton Wigram 2010/11 Small Grants fund towards the 19th NZ Scout Jamboree fees for 12 scouts. Other members of the scout group have also applied to their Community Board Youth Development Scheme for funding.
- 7. There is currently a balance of \$5,950 available in the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

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

8. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

9. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

10. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Yes.

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

12. 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?

- 13. Application aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.
- 14. Application also aligns with the following Spreydon/ Heathcote Community Board Objectives: 'Increased participation of Spreydon/Heathcote residents in local and city-wide recreation events/ programmes.'

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board decline the application from Jessica Watson for \$200 from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to assist her to attend the 19th NZ Scout Jamboree to be held at Mystery Creek, Hamilton from 29 December 2010 to 6 January 2011.

It is recommended that the Board allocate Yvette Pugh \$150 from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to assist her to compete in the 2010 New Zealand DanceSport Championships (Class A) in Auckland from 23-24 October 2010.

It is recommended that the Board decline the application from Veronica Pugh for \$499.75 from the 2010/11 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to attend the 2010 New Zealand DanceSport Championships (Class A) in Auckland from 23-24 October 2010. This is because Veronica is not competing.

CHAIRPERSONS' RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND OF EACH APPLICANT

Jessica Watson

- 16. Jessica has been a scout for five years. She loves sport, adventure and also plays touch and hockey. Jessica has never been on the Jamboree and is really looking forward to the opportunity. She aims to achieve bronze, silver and gold badges in scouts in the future.
- 17. The aim of The Scout Association of New Zealand is to "encourage the physical, mental, social and spiritual development of young people so that they may take a constructive place in society". Thereby building a better community.
- 18. The Holmes Park Scout Group meet at the Scout hall on English Street in Upper Riccarton. They currently have seven leaders, 13 scouts, 12 keas, 14 cubs members that meet weekly during school term. The Jamboree is being held in December 2010 at Mystery Creek Hamilton and the Holmes Park Scout Group plan to take 12 Scouts and two leaders.
- 19. The scout Jamboree is only held every three years, so most scouts only get one opportunity to attend. Over a nine day period up to 5,000 youth and adults will be engaged in activities ranging from confidence courses, team building, abseiling, plus life skills which range from cooking, keeping their tents tidy to hand washing their clothes.
- 20. The Holmes Park Scout Group have raised over \$4,000 dollars towards the total cost of \$16,800. Jessica has helped the group fundraise by running sausage sizzles, cleaning up rubbish at Motukarara Races and selling chocolate.

Yvette Pugh

- 21. Yvette attends Aidenfield Christian School and has been dancing competitively in Ballroom and Latin dance for seven years. She currently holds a number of age-group national titles including the Juvenile Level 4 Titles in Standard (Ballroom), Latin and New Vogue and Juvenile Open Titles in Latin, Standard and New Vogue. Yvette has also performed demonstrations at several community events including Dancing Under the Stars (Fendalton/ Waimairi), The Christchurch Art Gallery and the city-wide 'Dancing Like the Stars' school program in 2010. Yvette has also featured on television in 'Dancing with the Stars' and 'New Zealand's got Talent'.
- 22. The New Zealand Dance and DanceSport Council is the controlling body for Dancesport in New Zealand. New Zealand Dance and DanceSport Council recognise multiple dance championships throughout the year of which seven are chart ranking events. Of these seven events only two events are Class A such as the event Yvette is competing in.
- 23. The New Zealand DanceSport Championships in Auckland is open to Junior, Juvenile and Youth competitors in Ballroom, Latin and New Vogue dancing in Class A. Yvette plans to defend the national titles that she holds at this event in Auckland. In July, Yvette competed at the other Class A event, New Zealand Open DanceSport Championships, held at Pioneer Leisure Centre in Christchurch. At this event Yvette and her partner Kurt won the Junior Level 2 and 3 Latin and took third place in the Junior Open Latin.

Veronica Pugh

24. Veronica attends Middleton Grange School and is an accomplished Ballroom Dancer although she currently does not have a dance partner in order to compete. She has won and placed in Ballroom, Latin and New Vogue at the South Island Championships. Veronica plans to attend the New Zealand DanceSport Championships to support her younger sister and the other Canterbury dancers, and to gain experience through attending the lectures and practical workshops put on by national and international champions.