

11. **APPLICATION TO THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FUND – NATASHA MICHELLE TAYLOR**

General Manager responsible:	General Manager, Community Services, DDI 941-8607
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Natasha Michelle Taylor, an 18 year old from Woolston has been selected from the Diva Rhythmic Gymnastic Club to attend the Malaysian Friendship Gymnastics Competition for rhythmic gymnastics from 1 to 5 September 2011.
3. The Diva Rhythmic Gymnastic Club is based at Spreydon School Hall. A small team of three athletes and their coach will be attending this competition. Natasha is a talented and accomplished rhythmic gymnast who has been doing gymnastics for eleven years. She trains 23 hours a week and is a member of the Diva Rhythmic Gymnastic Club. In 2010 she was the Level 10 New Zealand National Champion. Natasha works part time to enable her to stay committed to the intensive training required to compete at this level plus coaches five year olds once a week. She is also a qualified judge. Her goal is to represent New Zealand at the 2012 Pacific Rim Competition. This competition will give Natasha international experience and if she does well the recognition of succeeding in an international competition may lead to trialling for the New Zealand team and potentially representing New Zealand.
4. The Club has been involved in fund raising activities, including a raffle. Home stays will be arranged for all gymnasts throughout competition dates and all other expenses are included in the team's registration fee.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

Natasha Taylor	
EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
Airfares – return trip to Kuala Lumpur	1,003
Registration fee per gymnast	120
TOTAL (PER GYMNAST)	\$1,123
Total Requested from the Community Board (per gymnast)	\$500

6. This is the first time the applicant has applied for funding from the Community Board.

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

7. Yes, see page 172, Community Support, Council Activities and Service, Grants. This application is seeking funding from the Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme Fund which was established from the Board's 2011/12 Discretionary Response Fund. There is a balance of \$9,600 in the Community Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

8. There are no legal issues to be considered.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. 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?

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

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. All appropriate consultation has been undertaken.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board makes a grant of \$500 from the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme Fund to Natasha Michelle Taylor, to attend the Malaysian Friendship Gymnastics Competition in September 2011.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.