

13. APPLICATION TO HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD 2011/12 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – FFION ALTREE MERCHANT-WILLIAMS

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board an application for funding assistance from the Hagley/Ferrymead 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme fund from Ffion Altree Merchant-Williams.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. Funding is being sought by Ffion Altree Merchant-Williams, a thirteen year old of Mt Pleasant to represent Canterbury/West Coast Region at the national Youthtown Get2Go Challenge on Great Barrier Island from 5 to 9 December 2011.
3. Ffion belongs to the Cashmere High School Get2Go team that won the Regional Challenge out of over 20 teams from the Canterbury/West Coast area. The team is made up of four girls and four boys. Ffion is the only applicant living in the Hagley/Ferrymead ward. Due to unforeseen circumstances the application was received on 29 November.
4. The Youthtown Get2Go Challenge is in its sixth year and is coordinated by the Sir Edmund Hillary Outdoor Pursuits Centre (OPC). It is intended to be an introduction to outdoor sports and further OPC challenges through the age ranges. Get2Go Challenges involve many outdoor pursuits including rock climbing, kayaking, rafting, mountain biking, orienteering and other mental or physical team challenges.
5. As well as participating in the Get 2 go Challenge, Ffion plays netball, climbs and enjoys running. She is also form representative at school, attending the school council meetings on a regular basis. Ffion is looking forward to going to Great Barrier Island to represent Canterbury with my Get2Go team because it will enable her to learn new skills and face new challenges, particularly after her family has struggled since the earthquake which affected their home and circumstances.
6. The team have organised their own fundraising activities together to help build on their teamwork skills. This includes car washes, sausage sizzles and an orienteering event.
7. The following table details event expenses and funding requested by the applicant:

EXPENSES	Cost (NZ \$)
Airfares	163
Accommodation	63
Fees (including Ferry, Meals, Island Accommodation, Instructors etc)	400
Total Cost	626
Other funding, Lions Club	62.50
Amount requested	500

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. This is the first time the applicant has applied to the Youth Development Scheme.
9. There is currently a balance of \$6,000 available in the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme fund.

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

10. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

11. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

12. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

13. Yes.

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

14. 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?

15. Application aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, Youth Strategy, Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy and Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board Objectives.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

16. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Hagley/Ferrymead Community Board support the application and allocate \$250 to Ffion Altree Merchant-Williams from the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme fund as a contribution towards representing Canterbury/West Coast Region at the national Youhtown Get2Go Challenge on Great Barrier Island from 5 to 9 December 2011.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

That the staff recommendation be adopted.