

## 12. STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES FUNDING – KEY LOCAL PROJECTS 2011 REPORT

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board to consider whether they wish to recommend any Key Local Projects to the Metropolitan Strengthening Communities Fund for 2012/13.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. In a public excluded workshop, held on 29 May 2012, the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board considered the issue of Key Local Projects for 2012/13.
3. As part of the Strengthening Communities Grants Funding Programme, each Board may nominate Key Local Projects (KLPs) in its area that are put forward to the Metropolitan Funding Committee for consideration for metropolitan funding.
4. The Metropolitan Funding Committee will make KLP decisions based on affordability and the following priorities:
  - Strengthening Communities Strategy Principles and Goals;
  - Funding outcomes and priorities as set out in Strengthening Communities Strategy;
  - Alignment to local Community Board objectives
  - Projects deliver benefits to the city outside of the local Board area;
  - Key community issues contemplated under Goal 2 of the Strengthening Communities Strategy.
5. In addition, staff recommendations for Key Local Projects are also based on whether the project meets the following criteria:
  - The organisation undertaking the project has a proven track record with the Council in providing a high quality level of service;
  - Significantly contributes towards the Council's Funding Outcomes and Priorities;
  - Demonstrates leadership and innovation;
  - Demonstrates best-practice and collaboration.
6. Previous KLPs for this Community Board are:

Name of Group	Year/s	Name of Project	Amount
Project Lyttelton Incorporated	2010/2011	KLP - Capacity Building Project	\$13,520
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7. Staff have reviewed all applications to the Strengthening Communities Fund 2012/13 to identify if there are any projects that should be considered for recommendation to the Metropolitan Funding Committee as Key Local Projects for 2012/13.
8. In a public excluded workshop held on 29 May 2012, staff recommended that the Board consider no KLPs. The Board requested that an application by Whakaraupo Carving Centre Trust be considered as a KLP. (**Attachment 1**)

Name of Group	Name of Project	Total Project Cost	Amount Requested	Recommendation
Whakaraupo Carving Centre Trust	Whakaraupo Carving Centre Project	\$83,770	\$55,000	\$15,000

#### **TIMELINE AND PROCESS**

9. KLPs that are approved by the Board will be put forward to the Metropolitan Strengthening Communities Funding Committee for consideration at its meeting on 13 July 2012. Unsuccessful KLPs are returned to the Community Board for consideration under the local Strengthening Communities Fund.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

10. In 2012/13, the draft annual plan includes \$38,398 for the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board Strengthening Communities Fund.

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

11. Yes, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes including Board funding.

#### **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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

12. Yes. Community Board funding decisions are made under delegated authority from the Council.

#### **ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS**

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

13. Yes. Strengthening Communities Funding and Community Board Funding, see LTCCP pages 176 and 177 regarding community grants schemes including Board funding.

#### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

#### **Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

14. The funding allocation process carried out by Christchurch Community Boards is covered in the Council's Strengthening Communities Strategy.

#### **CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

15. Not required.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

16. That the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board recommend Whakaraupo Carving Centre Trust's Project as a Key Local Project and recommend a grant of \$15,000 be considered by the Metropolitan Funding Committee for the 2012-13 Strengthening Communities Fund.

## BACKGROUND

17. In October 2007, the Council adopted the Strengthening Communities Fund operational procedures, which included the process for nominating Key Local Organisations (KLOs), subsequently renamed Key Local Projects (KLPs).
18. Each Board may nominate (KLPs) in its area that are put forward to the Metropolitan Funding Committee for consideration for metropolitan funding.
19. The agreed process to determine if a “local” funding application should be processed as a KLP is detailed as bullet point 16 in the report that was adopted by the Council on 4 October, 2007:

The Metropolitan Funding Committee will make KLP decisions based on affordability and the following priorities:

- Strengthening Communities Strategy Principles and Goals;
- Funding outcomes and priorities as set out in Strengthening Communities Strategy;
- Alignment to local Community Board objectives; AND
- Projects deliver benefits to the city outside of the local Board area
- Key community issues contemplated under Goal 2 of the Strengthening Communities Strategy.

20. The process for considering KLPs is as follows:
  - i) Community Boards nominate and prioritise their KLPs and make a recommendation to the Metropolitan Funding Committee.
  - ii) The Metropolitan Funding Committee makes decisions on Board recommended KLPs.
  - iii) Successful KLPs are allocated funding from the Metropolitan Strengthening Communities Fund.
  - iv) Unsuccessful KLPs are returned to the Community Board for consideration under the local Strengthening Communities Fund.
21. Community Boards are advised that where candidates for KLP funding consideration are successful in receiving funding from the Metropolitan Funding Committee, then there can be no further funding call on the Board for that project.
22. This is also the case, where a successful candidate is funded to a lower level than has been recommended by the Board. This reflects the “funding constraints” criteria agreed by Council in Appendix F of the 4 October 2007 report which states that *“Groups receiving funding at a Metropolitan level may only receive local level funding if the project is specifically local and no portion of it has been funded at the Metropolitan level”*.