14. APPLICATION TO THE BOARD'S YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – EPENSA FETU

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for an application for funding from the Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.
- 2. There is currently \$5,800 in the 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The Riccarton High School Volleyball team have one member that resides in the Fendalton/Waimairi ward, who is seeking Board support to travel to Palmerston North to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools National Volleyball Tournament. This trip will take place 25 – 31 March 2012.
- 4. The applicant's name is Epensa Fetu age 17. She is the head prefect of Culture at Riccarton High School. In previous years Epensa has been selected for the school volleyball team, however has been unable to attend the New Zealand Secondary Schools Nationals due to costs. As a year 13 student this is her last opportunity to represent the school.
- 5. Epensa is assistant coach of the school junior team and is described by her teacher as a positive team member and an excellent role model for the junior players.
- 6. The Secondary Schools National Volleyball Tournament is one of the biggest secondary events in New Zealand with over 150 schools competing and Riccarton High have set themselves a goal of placing in the Division 1 National Girls section. Individually they are also aiming for selection in tournament and Canterbury age group teams.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7. The cost per person to attend the tournament is \$867 which covers airfares, accommodation, entry fee and transport. To date Epensa has raised \$300 through sausage sizzles, selling chocolates and cleaning jobs.
- 8. This is the first time that the applicant has applied to the Board for financial support.

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

9. This application is seeking funding from the Community Board's 2011/12 Youth Development Scheme which was established as part of the Board's 2011/12 Discretionary Funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

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

10. There are no legal implications in regards to this application.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

11. Aligns with page 170 LTCCP, regarding Community Board Project funding.

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

12. As above.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

13. Application aligns with the Council's Youth Strategy and local Community Board objectives.

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

14. As above.

CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

15. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board make a grant of \$200 to Epensa Fetu towards the cost of attending the New Zealand Secondary Schools National Volleyball Tournament.