14. SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE 2011/12 YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT FUNDING APPLICATION – ANNA CONSTABLE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to present to the Board an application for funding assistance from the Spreydon/Heathcote 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Funding is being sought by Anna Constable, 16 years old from Beckenham, to participate in the Junior Tall Ferns (JTF) U19 (basketball) programme which includes a tournament in China from 25 April – 8 May 2012 and a Fédération Internationale de Basketball Amateur (FIBA) Oceania World Qualifying Series in Wellington from 20-22 September 2012.
- 3. The following table details event expenses and funding requested by the applicant.

EXPENSES	Cost (\$)
JTF Preparation Camp	346
China Flights	942.50
Ground transport	125
Meals	25
Insurance	212.50
Travel Visas	175
Admin Fees	25
Uniform	37.50
Total Cost	\$ 1,888.50
Total Raised	300
Total Requested	\$ 500

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4. The applicant has never received funding from the Spreydon/Heathcote Youth Achievement scheme.
- 5. There is currently a balance of \$4,550 available in the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund.

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

6. Yes see page 184, regarding Board funding.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7. There are no legal issues to be considered.

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

8. Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

9. Yes.

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

10. 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?

- 11. Application aligns with the Strengthening Communities Strategy, Youth Strategy and the Physical Recreation and Sport Strategy.
- 12. 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

13. Not applicable.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board allocate Anna Constable \$500 from the 2011/12 Youth Achievement Scheme fund to participate in the Junior Tall Ferns (U19) programme including a tournament in China from 25 April – 8 May 2012 and a FIBA Oceania World Qualifying Series in Wellington from 20-22 September.

CHAIRPERSON'S RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

BACKGROUND

- 14. Anna attends Cashmere High School where she has played Basketball for four years and is currently their Head Girl. She has been captain of the Senior A Basketball team at Cashmere High for the last two years and is also a regular member of the national age group teams. Anna has also been a member of the Cashmere High School Sports Council since her first year at the school. The School Sports Coordinator, Taka Kuze, describes her as; "very well organised and always shows great care and passion towards sport and our school in general".
- 15. In early February 2012, Anna was selected for the Junior Tall Ferns (U19) Basketball Team. Basketball New Zealand has prioritised the team in 2012 in order to help them qualify for the World Championships. The Junior Tall Ferns (U19) programme in 2012 includes three preparation camps and a Four Nations Tournament in China. The team's main activity is the FIBA Oceania World Qualifying Series against Australia in September. If the team is successful they will then attend the FIBA U19 World Championships in 2013.
- 16. Anna is fundraising by putting money aside from her part time job and she is also planning to run a sausage sizzle at a local park during Saturday football.