

STAFF REPORT

TO: Grants and Community Facilities Subcommittee
FROM: Mike Tasman-Jones
DATE: 21 May 2006
SUBJECT: SPARC Rural Travel Applications, October round

We have received eight applications for the SPARC Rural Travel Fund for the April 2006 round.

BACKGROUND

The fund is targeted at the travel costs of young people aged between 5-19 years participating in regular local sport teams competition. The allocation of the fund is based on a population density formula for territorial authorities whom have less than 10 people per square kilometre. Tasman is allocated a total of \$11,027.34 available to allocate for the 2005/2006 financial year with the October round allocation of \$4,366.00, there is \$6,661.34 available for allocation. There are eight applications requesting \$18,210.00 – see spreadsheet attached.

RURAL TRAVEL FUND ELIGIBILITIES

The following criteria shall be applied when considering applications for funding:

School club teams and sport club teams are defined as:

“a school club team participating in local sport competition in weekends, that excludes inter school and intra school competitions played during school time”; and/or “a sports club team participating in organised sport competition through club membership outside of school time”.

Please note: The rural travel fund **should not** be provided for the purpose of travel to **regional** or **national events**.

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