

STAFF REPORT

TO: Communications Subcommittee
FROM: Communications Adviser
DATE: 23 September 2010
REFERENCE: C797
SUBJECT: Community Consultation Funding Grants – RFN10-09-22

Attached to this report is a copy of a letter forwarded to community organisations detailing criteria against which applications for 2010/2011 Community Consultation Funding.

The Community Consultation Grants are distributed for the purpose of providing funding assistance to ratepayer and community associations to assist consultation within their respective communities.

As at the time of writing this report only a small number of applications had been received. Of the four received and a verbal acknowledgement of the application from a fourth, indications are that the majority of the associations are seeking a similar level of funding to last year. Attached is the register of grants distributed last year for this purpose.

The applications received to date are as follows:

- Motueka Valley Association - \$750
- Mapua and Districts Association - \$3,000
- Murchison & Districts - \$2,000
- Tapawera and Districts - \$3,500
- Brightwater Community Assn - \$2,100

It is expected that all requests will be received by the time of the meeting and any outstanding applications will be tabled for decision by the Subcommittee.

Financial records submitted by applicant organisations will be retained by the Communications Adviser on the basis of confidentiality.

RECOMMENDATION

That community consultation grants for the 2010/2011 financial year be discussed and allocated by the Subcommittee

Chris Choat
Communications Adviser

31 August 2010

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Community Consultation Funding

Council has allowed a sum of money in its 2010/2011 operating budget for the purposes of providing funding assistance to ratepayer and community associations within our district.

Council's Communications Subcommittee will be considering applications for funding at its scheduled meeting of 29 September 2010

Should your organisation wish to avail itself of funding from this source for the 2010/2011 year, would you please provide detailed information as to the level of funding you seek and the purposes for which it is intended to be used. The criteria against which applications will be considered are:

- organisations must be formally constituted as an incorporated society;
- organisations must operate in wards where there is no community board;
- the office bearers of organisations must be publicly elected through a process approved by Council and they must hold regular (at least quarterly) publicly advertised meetings in the ward;
- they must have Council related matters as their primary function;
- they must carry out liaison and advocacy with Council.

In considering any application from your organisation for funding for the 2010/2011 year, the Communications Subcommittee would also like to receive details on how money previously granted by Council has been utilised, the current financial state of your organisation, details of membership, details of major community projects and any significant changes to your organisation that may have occurred within the past 12 months.

I would appreciate receiving your response to this request by **Friday 24 September 2010**. In understanding the timeframe for submitting is shorter than usual I have included the submission made last year as a reference for your latest application.

Should you have any queries on any community consultation related issues, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Yours sincerely

Community Consultation Funding Grants 09/10

Community Association	Amount
Dovedale Residents Group R D 2 Wakefield 7181	2,200
Rotoiti District Community Council PO Box 39 St Arnaud 7053	2,000
Tapawera and Districts Community Council P O Box 15 Tapawera 7181	2,500
Mapua and Districts Community Association 11 Moreland Place Mapua 7005	3,000
Wakefield Community Council 14 Meyer Crescent Wakefield 7181	3,730
Murchison & Districts Community Council P O Box 2 Murchison 7191	2,000
Tasman Area Community Association P O Box 6 Mapua 7048	1,500
Brightwater Community Association 6 Waimea West Road Brightwater	2,100
Motueka Valley Association 882 Motueka Valley Highway, R D 1 Motueka	750
Richmond Community Forum P O Box 3421 Richmond	
Marahau Community Association Old MacDonald's Farm Harvey Road Marahau RD2 Motueka	