

GRANTS SUBCOMMITTEE 11 MAY 2009

REPORT 3 (1215/52/03/IM)

A.W. NEWTON BEQUEST – ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

1. Purpose of Report

To allocate funds from the A.W. Newton Bequest.

2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Grants Subcommittee:

- 1. Receive the information.
- 2. Agree that the funds from accrued interest from the A.W. Newton Bequest be allocated as specified in Appendix 1.

3. Background

Mr Alexander Whitelaw Newton died in 1936. He left a bequest to Wellington City Council to apply at its discretion, for the benefit of: Arts, Athletics and Education (particularly those night schools, technical or otherwise, which undertake the education of working people).

The last payment from the fund was made in 2004 when it was agreed that when interest on capital held under the A.W. Newton Bequest exceeds \$15,000 annually, applications be invited to use the money in line with the criteria of the bequest. It was also agreed that allocations be made alongside the annual Wellington City Council Community Grants. Accumulated interest on principal now totals \$15,000.

4. Discussion

The attached appendix contains a recommended list of recipients for the current funding available which has been prepared by officers with the Grants team. It is not necessary to invite applications, and this has not been done in the past. The selection of organisations is based on their fit with the bequest deed, and dividing the pool fairly across the three stated areas. The organisations have also been selected on their past grant history and their ability to complete projects satisfactorily to the benefit of the people of Wellington.

5. Conclusion

The Subcommittee is asked to consider the recommendations for allocation of funds from the A.W. Newton Bequest as per the bequest deed. This is presented to this committee for its consideration.

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Supporting Information

1)Strategic Fit / Strategic Outcome

WCC General grants are allocated to support outcomes from the Cultural, Social, Economic and Environmental strategic areas.

2) LTCCP/Annual Plan reference and long term financial impact

The Cultural grants come under project C661, the Environmental grants under project C652, the Social & Recreational grants under C678 and the Economic grants under project C647.

3) Treaty of Waitangi considerations

Any grants application that could have implications for Maori is referred to WCC Treaty Relations Office for recommendations. .

4) Decision-Making

This is not a significant decision.

5) Consultation

a)General Consultation

The Grants Team sends the full list of applicants and projects for comment to appropriate Council officers prior to presentation to the Subcommittee. Applicants and persons or organisations referred to in the applications and others may be spoken to for comments where appropriate. No other external consultation occurs

b) Consultation with Maori

no other consultation occurs

6) Legal Implications

N/A

7) Consistency with existing policy

The grant pools have been created to assist community initiatives in line with Council strategy.

Appendix 1: Recommendations