

# Community Funding Subcommittee

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## **Notice of Meeting**

A meeting of the Community Funding Subcommittee will be held in the Council Chamber, Forum North, Whangarei on:

**Wednesday  
12 March 2014  
8.30am**

**Subcommittee of:**  
Planning Committee

**Committee**  
Cr S J Deeming (Chairperson)  
Her Worship the Mayor  
Cr S M Glen  
Cr G M Martin  
Cr B L McLachlan

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**OPEN MEETING**

**APOLOGIES**

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Members are reminded to indicate any items in which they might have a conflict of interest.

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**Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Act 2012 – Decision Making**

*Full consideration has been given to the provisions of the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Act 2012 in relation to decision making and in particular the current and future needs of communities for good quality local infrastructure, local public services and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost effective for households and businesses. Consideration has also been given to social, economic and cultural interests and the need to maintain and enhance the quality of the environment in taking a sustainable development approach.*

**Recommendations contained in this agenda may not be final decisions.  
Please refer to the minutes for resolutions.**

# 1. 2013-2014 School Scholarship Grants

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**Reporting officer** Bree Kurtovich (Community Funding Officer)

**Date of meeting** 12 February 2014

## ***Vision, mission and values***

*This item is in accord with Council's vision, mission and values statement as it contributes to ensuring that the youth of our District are employable by encouraging greater access to quality tertiary education and training opportunities.*

## **Background**

Whangarei District Council supports youth by annually awarding School Scholarship grants of \$1,000 each to 8 participating secondary schools.

Scholarship recipients are chosen by the school.

The scholarships are available to pupils who have attended secondary school in the Whangarei District for the 12 months immediately preceding the scholarship being awarded and who will be taking up a course of full time, full year post secondary education in the year immediately following their final year of secondary education.

It is required that schools use some or all of the following criteria in determining their scholarship recipient:

- achievement (actual or potential)
- hardship
- actual or potential benefit to the district.

The recipients receive payment of the scholarship grant once they have provided to Council proof of payment for their chosen course of study.

Recipients undertake to provide feedback to Council at the end of their first year of study summarising their progress.

## **2013-2014 School Scholarship Recipients**

The scholarship recipients for 2013-2014 are:

- |                               |                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| - Bream Bay College           | Emma Thirkettle |
| - Kamo High School            | Daniel Fraser   |
| - Mangakahia Area School      | Ethan Diamond   |
| - Pompallier Catholic College | Harry Linford   |
| - Tauraroa Area School        | Esther Brown    |
| - Tikipunga High School       | Atawhai Hape    |
| - Whangarei Boys High School  | Basil Eldo      |
| - Whangarei Girls High School | Cody Clarke.    |

## **2012-2013 Recipient Feedback Reports**

The following feedback reports have been received from the 2012-2013 scholarship recipients:

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|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| - Kamo High School            | Timothy Bohles    |
| - Pompallier Catholic College | Lea Turner        |
| - Tauraroa Area School        | Bronwyn Zimmerman |
| - Whangarei Girls High School | Kanupriya Diwan.  |

The Bream Bay College, Tikipunga High School and Whangarei Boys High School scholarship recipients from the 2012-2013 year did not uplift their scholarship grants.

One feedback report from the 2012-2013 year is outstanding.

### **2014-2015 Discontinuation of the School Scholarship Fund**

On 25 September 2013 the Community Funding Sub-Committee resolved that “the School Scholarships be discontinued in the 2014-15 financial year, to be replaced with an appropriate activity to celebrate and recognise young achievers in the District.”

## **Recommendation**

That the information be received.

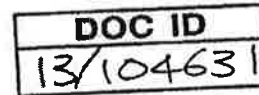
### **Attachment**

[2012-13 Recipient feedback reports](#)

Timothy Bohles

Whangarei 27/11/2013

Community Funding  
C/O Jenny Teeuwen  
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Private Bag 9023  
Whangarei 0148



Dear Jenny

Thank you and the Whangarei District Council for the scholarship you provided me with, it was a great help to paying the fee's, including the cost of the hall of residence.

This year I studied engineering and really enjoyed the challenge of the huge workload, the new teaching style, and motivating myself to achieve the results I wanted. Judging from some of my favourite courses, I have decided to specialize in civil engineering for my next three years. I am very interested in the design and problem solving in civil engineering, and I am interested in the theory behind it. I love my physics and mathematics (something you don't often hear).

I have not yet decided what type of civil engineering I will get into, but it is likely to be structural engineering, or road engineering. I am currently looking for work to fund this study, and will need to achieve 800 hours of engineering specific work before the completion of my degree. Next year will be another new experience as I am going to flat with friends, which should work out cheaper than living in a hall of residence.

Living in a hall with four hundred other people took some getting used to, as well as living in a large city, but University was very enjoyable the whole time. Creating programs to play 10,000 games of "uno" in a second and competing with other students who could create the best bridge out of 50 hot dog sticks (mine held 60 kg) were just some of the highlights of my year, as well as meeting a bunch of new friends. Even though I lived with a new group of friends, I still made sure to concentrate on my studies.

The results I have received in my engineering subjects are:

Mathematical Modelling: A+  
Mechanics (Physics): A+  
Engineering Biology and Chemistry: A+  
Electrical Engineering: A+  
Engineering Computation: A+  
Engineering Design: A  
Chemical and Materials Engineering: A

Again thank you for the scholarship,

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Timothy Bohles".

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**Bree Kurtovich**

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**From:** Lea Turner  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 January 2014 2:08 p.m.  
**To:** Bree Kurtovich  
**Subject:** Re: Lea Turner - School Scholarship Grant - feedback due - please respond to this email ASAP

Hi Bree,

Very sorry for the delay, I had misplaced the letter and had no idea how to contact you.

I would like to, again, thank you and your team very much as the grant has helped me tremendously! I am currently doing a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Psychology and Education at the university of Wellington, and the grant was of great help to paying off part of my first year. I am pleased to say that it went extremely well, was great fun and successful with great results. I am really looking forward to this coming year and what it has to offer! This year I have modified the course I am taking as I would like to perhaps pursue secondary school teaching. I will therefore be majoring in French and History, as well as studying Educational Psychology, which I am really looking forward to!

Thank you so much for the grant last year, I really appreciate all that has been done!  
And I apologise again for the delay of this information!!

Regards,

Lea Turner

On 24/01/2014, at 1:56 pm, Bree Kurtovich <[bree.kurtovich@wdc.govt.nz](mailto:bree.kurtovich@wdc.govt.nz)> wrote:

Kia ora Lea

Congratulations on your School Scholarship Grant last year. I hope your year has been wonderful and educational.

A condition of this School Scholarship was that you provide feedback to Council at the end of your first year of study, outlining your progress with your studies.

Could you please respond to this email with that information. You were send a letter about this in October, and this information is now urgently required.

I look forward to your speedy response.

Na, Bree

**Bree Kurtovich**  
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17/11/2013

Attention to Jenny Teeuwen at community funding  
Whangarei District Council  
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Whangarei 0148



To Jenny Teeuwen

Thank you once again for the scholarship that I received from you. This has definitely relieved some of the financial pressure of first year university.

I am currently studying Bachelor of veterinary science at Massey University in Palmerston north. I will be going into my second year (five years in total) in February 2014. There have been some really challenging days; however I absolutely love it and there is nothing else in the world that I would rather be doing. Highlights for me would definitely be getting selected into the BVSc degree halfway through the year after enduring a very challenging pre-vet semester. I get to spend time outdoors and of course learn so many amazing things about our animals and how they function. It has definitely been a year to remember that is for sure. The scholarship has been a lot of help especially towards textbooks and other course related costs. Thank you so much.

Regards

Bronwyn Zimmerman



**MASSEY UNIVERSITY**  
**TE KUNENGA KI PŪREHUROA**

Bronwyn Zimmerman

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Whilst this is an accurate record of your study it is not an official transcript as it does not carry the University seal.

Period	Paper	Description	Grade	Points	Credits	EFTs
1302	227110	Farm Practical Training	Unavailable		0.0	0.0000
1302	227111	Biochemistry for Veterinary Science	Unavailable		12.0	0.1000
1302	227112	Veterinary Structure & Function I	Unavailable		13.0	0.1083
1302	227113	Animal Production, Behaviour, Welfare and Handling	Unavailable		16.0	0.1333
1302	227114	Veterinary Professional Studies	Unavailable		7.0	0.0583
1302	227115	Integrative Studies in Veterinary Science I	Unavailable		12.0	0.1000
1301	123101	Chemistry and Living Systems	A+		15.0	0.1250
1301	124111	Physics for Life Sciences	A		15.0	0.1250
1301	162101	Biology of Cells	A		15.0	0.1250
1301	199101	Biology of Animals	A-		15.0	0.1250

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 A- ]

B+ ]  
 B ] 2nd Class Pass  
 B- ]

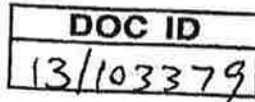
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 C ]

P = Ungraded Pass  
 AEG = Aegrotat Pass  
 CP = Compensation Pass  
 R = Restricted Pass  
 F = Fail  
 D = Fail  
 E = Low Fail  
 WD = Withdrew Without Academic Penalty  
 FT = Failed Terms  
 DNS = Did Not Sit  
 DNC = Did Not Complete  
 AES = Admission With Equivalent Status  
 CONT = Continuing

An explanation of EFTs can be found at: [www.studylink.govt.nz](http://www.studylink.govt.nz)

Examinations Office  
 Massey University, Private Bag 11 222, Palmerston North Telephone: 0800 MASSEY (0800 627 739)





Date: 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013

Respected Jenny Teeuwen

I, Kanupriya Diwan, finished studying first year of Bachelor of Commerce at The University of Auckland on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2013. It was one of the best experiences of my life. As a recipient of The Whangarei District Council School Scholarship 2013, I am writing to thank you for your generous financial support towards my first year tuition fee.

The year 2013 has been an amazing year for me with lots of ups and downs. I committed myself to challenging and rewarding situations while attending the University with a freedom of expression. Being settled down in a multicultural society in New Zealand, I enjoyed the ethnic diversity in Auckland.

I believe in the organisation of time, talent, and tasks. One of the most interesting times for me in Auckland was moving to The O'Rorke Halls of Residence. It provided me with a set routine for my life with a healthy refreshing breakfast to focus on my lectures, a healthy diet for lunch as well as dinner to excel with my studies.

On the first day of my stay, I experienced the drum rolls used by them to get us awake at 5 am. We all crossed the Grafton Bridge and walked towards the Domain and surrounded the residential assistants in a huge circle. They explained us the rules and regulations of hostel as well as the chant for the halls to be sung at various events. Not only the floor members, we all played games in large groups to communicate with each other and make new friends.

I am majoring in Accounting and Commercial Law and plan to pursue a career in Chartered Accountancy after my graduation. I am also steadily working towards my NZICA requirements.

The award of The Whangarei District Council Scholarship 2013 has enabled me to concentrate on what is important for me, education. Your financial generosity also allowed me to be one step closer to my goal and has inspired me to help others by giving back to the community. I hope that one day; I will be able to help other students to achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

In first semester this year, settling into the university and teaching myself how to study was a big challenge as it wasn't high school anymore. It was more about understanding a concept than just memorising what was taught in lectures. Hence, my grades for first semester were quite low compared to what I expected, B- for Business 101, C+ for Economics, C for Statistics and C- for accounting whereas, this semester I noticed a lot of improvement in my way of studying, teaching myself and achieved B+ in Business 102, B in Information Systems and C+ in Commercial Law. I have already started looking at the course structure and topics I could start studying from YouTube during the holidays for next year. I am also preparing myself for Accounting 102 paper for Summer School starting 6 January 2014.

I am highly privileged to receive this award.

Yours sincerely,

Kanupriya Diwan



## 2. Resident and Ratepayer Grants

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**Reporting officer** Owen Thomas (Community Services Manager)

**Date of meeting** 12 February 2014

### ***Vision, mission and values***

*This item is in accord with Council's vision, mission and values statement as it builds strong communities where people feel safe and able to participate.*

### **Introduction**

Each year residents and ratepayers groups in the Whangarei district, who are currently active in their community, are invited to apply to the Whangarei District Council's Resident and Ratepayer Fund.

At its September 2013 meeting, the Community Funding Subcommittee agreed to increase the total budget of the Resident and Ratepayer fund by \$4,000. This was to accommodate an increase to the grants provided by the fund from \$500 to \$700.

Groups applying for the grant are required to provide the following information:

- Proof of not-for-profit status e.g. a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or Trust Deed
- A list of current office holders and the number of members
- Details of their activities over the past six months
- Proposed activities for the next six months
- A copy of their latest AGM minutes
- A copy of their most recent set of accounts.

The budget allocated for the 2013-2014 financial year is \$14,000.

### **2012-2013 Applications**

In late November 2013, 21 residents and ratepayers groups within the District were invited to apply for the 2013-2014 Resident and Ratepayer Administration Grant. Applications closed on Friday 17 January 2013. In total 19 applications were received.

All of the applications received meet the criteria listed above:

- Hikurangi Friendship House Charitable Trust
- Kamo Community Incorporated
- Maungakareme Recreation Society Incorporated
- Onerahi Community Association Incorporated
- Pataua Area Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated
- Portland Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
- Ruakaka Parish Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
- Ruatangata Public Hall Society Incorporated
- Teal Bay Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated
- Tikipunga Community Trust (Tiki Pride)
- The Lang Cove Residents Association Incorporated
- Tutukaka Coast Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated
- Waipu Riding Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
- Whakapara Hall Society Incorporated
- Whananaki Beach Association Incorporated
- Whangarei Heads Citizens Association Incorporated
- Whangaruru Coastal Community & Sports Association Incorporated
- Whangaruru North Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
- Whangaruru South Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated.

Two groups that were invited to apply, but did not apply are as follows:

- The Urquharts Bay Association Incorporated
- Parua Bay Community Focus Group.

Both of these groups confirmed that they did not require the grant this year.

The total amount requested is \$13,300. The total amount recommended for disbursement is \$13,300, which is within budget.

## Recommendation

1. That the information be received.
2. That grants of \$700 be made from the Residents and Ratepayers Administration Grant Fund to the following groups:
  - a) Hikurangi Friendship House Charitable Trust
  - b) Kamo Community Incorporated
  - c) Maungakareme Recreation Society Incorporated
  - d) Onerahi Community Association Incorporated
  - e) Pataua Area Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated
  - f) Portland Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
  - g) Ruakaka Parish Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
  - h) Ruatangata Public Hall Society Incorporated
  - i) Teal Bay Ratepayers and Residents Association Incorporated
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  - m) Waipu Riding Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
  - n) Whakapara Hall Society Incorporated
  - o) Whananaki Beach Association Incorporated
  - p) Whangarei Heads Citizens Association Incorporated
  - q) Whangaruru Coastal Community & Sports Association Incorporated
  - r) Whangaruru North Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated
  - s) Whangaruru South Residents and Ratepayers Association Incorporated.