

SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS FUND 2006

Southland Indoor Leisure Centre Charitable Trust: Extension of Stadium Southland Velodrome

This project will receive a grant of up to \$1 million.

The grant is for the extension of an existing community multi-purpose stadium (Stadium Southland), in Invercargill that is used for sporting, cultural and entertainment purposes.

The project comprises the construction of a covered velodrome, indoor courts and associated facilities. The grant is primarily for the velodrome, which will provide a base for New Zealand indoor track cycling.

The velodrome, which has the support of Bike New Zealand, will be the only covered facility of its type in New Zealand. It will be built to international standards and will provide a world-class infrastructure.

The project as a whole will add significantly to the existing complex. It will create more opportunities for recreational and sporting activities, at both junior and senior levels, and, through the provision of an indoor, all-weather training base, it will enhance New Zealand cyclists' training opportunities and performance.