

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Record of Decision by Executive Portfolio for Policy, Strategy & Finance

Thursday, 25 April 2013

Portfolio	Policy, Strategy & Finance
Subject:	Community Fund Application - Fareham and Portchester Camera Club
Report of:	Director of Community
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

An application for an award from the Community Fund has been received from Geoffrey Foote on behalf of The Fareham and Portchester Camera Club. The application is for the sum of £1,144 for the purchase of a replacement photographic quality digital projector for the club.

The application explains that the club's purpose is for the encouragement and furtherance of all forms of photography through talks, discussions, practical evenings and competitions. The club meet in Portchester on a regular basis and membership is open to anyone over the age of 18.

In order to enable the club to host events with other clubs in the local area they are in need of a photographic quality digital projector. The ability to take part in these shared events will benefit club members. The club's application explains that novice and experienced photographers alike will gain enhanced skills and confidence through group learning, sharing and competition.

Cllrs Bell & Walker are fully supportive of the application.

Cllr Price has commented on the application to request the club receive a higher award of £1,700. However, he is still supportive of the lesser requested sum of £1,144 being awarded.

Cllr Norris has expressed reservations about this application commenting that the award amounts to £26 per club member and that the club does not involve persons aged under-18.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

That the application for £1,144 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Fund Programme, submitted by The Fareham and Portchester Camera Club for the purchase of a photographic quality digital projector be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Confirmed as a true record:

Portfolio	Policy, Strategy & Finance
Subject:	Community Fund Application - Portchester Indoor Bowls
Report of:	Director of Community
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

An application for an award from the Council's Community Fund Programme has been received from Mrs Patricia Illott on behalf of Portchester Community Bowls.

Formed in 1982, the organisation is a local club for residents wishing to play indoor short mat bowls.

The application is for the sum of £3,440 for the purchase of four "short mat indoor bowling" mats measuring 6' x 45' for the club's use. The request is for 100% of the cost of purchasing this equipment. Officers understand that, whilst the club already have mats they are old and heavy for members to move around. The club intend to use £500 they have in reserves to purchase a roller for the new mats to be stored on and transported more easily.

Cllrs Bell, Walker, Norris and Price are supportive of the application.

Cllr Norris has also commented further to ask for the club's old equipment to be gifted to another aspiring club.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

That the application for £3,440 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Fund Programme submitted by Portchester Indoor Bowls for the purchase of four short mat indoor bowling mats be approved.

Officers would be happy to ask if the club would be willing to donate their old equipment to another club, however it is not recommended that the grant of the award be dependent on such.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Confirmed as a true record:

Portfolio	Policy, Strategy & Finance
Subject:	Community Fund Application - The Rainbow Centre
Report of:	Director of Community
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

Joanne White, on behalf of The Rainbow Centre, Fareham has requested funding of £4,999 to help upgrade their ICT systems.

The Rainbow Centre works with children and adults with motor impairment; in particular children who have cerebral palsy, adults recovering from strokes and those suffering from multiple sclerosis and Parkinson disease.

The Rainbow Centre is requesting funding to help with an up-grade of their ICT systems. The current servers are over 7 years old and have reached capacity. They are prone to systems failure which impacts on the centre's ability to function effectively. The Rainbow Centre also has a number of out of date laptops and PC's, all of which are using different operating systems. This has a limiting effect on staff being able to work flexibly with attendees at the centre.

The total cost of the project is £20,568. The remainder of the finances will be supplied by the Rainbow Centre applying for funding from Hampshire County Council, Tesco Charity Trust and the from their own finances.

Councillors Steadman and Howard are supportive of this application.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

That the application for £4,999 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by The Rainbow Centre to assist with the purchase of a new computer server be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Confirmed as a true record:

Portfolio	Policy, Strategy & Finance
Subject:	Community Fund Application - Military Mentors
Report of:	Director of Community
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

Tony West of Military Mentors has requested funding of £4,999 to purchase various pieces of equipment.

Military Mentors, based next to Bath Lane Recreational Ground, is a new organisation of Ex-British Forces men and women who have had successful military careers.

Military Mentors runs a variety of educational and recreational programmes including School Outreach Programmes for 14 to 16 year olds, a Forces Ready Programme for 16 to 19 year olds and personal fitness training for pupils at schools and colleges. They have been involved with, and actively seek out, community projects where the attendees can become involved and learn practical and social skills whilst giving something back to the community.

The equipment they want to purchase includes sports equipment, signage and advertising products, Armed Forces style equipment (tents, bergans, field equipment etc), litter picking equipment and personal protection clothing/equipment to enable the attendees to undertake community cleaning projects. The funding will also be used for the raw materials to produce a secure bicycle area for students bikes;, the building of which will be used as project for the attendees.

Councillor Steadman as Chairman of Fareham Town CAT and Councillor Trott are supportive of the above application. Councillor Whittle failed to respond.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

That the application for £4,999 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Tony West of Military Mentors, to purchase various pieces of equipment to enable Military Mentors to continue and improve the services they offer local young people in Fareham, be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Confirmed as a true record:

Portfolio	Policy, Strategy & Finance
Subject:	Community Fund Application - Girl Guides, Fareham
Report of:	Director of Community
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objectives:	Strong and Inclusive Communities

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

Liz Dunning, Fareham Division Administrator for the Girl Guides has requested funding of £4,999 to help purchase a Compton garage.

The Fareham Division of the Girl Guides, which includes 7 Guides Units and 14 Brownie Units, has been given some land in Serpentine Road on which they wish to place a garage to store camping equipment. The current store is leaking and in a state of very poor repair.

The total cost of the project is £5,582. The remainder of the funds will be supplied by the Guides; they will also be using their own funds to purchase new shelving. Volunteers will move all the equipment from the old store to the new area

Councillor Steadman, as Chairman of Fareham Town CAT, and Councillor Trott are supportive of the above application and Councillor Whittle failed to respond.

Options Considered:

As recommendation.

Decision:

That the application for £4,999 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Liz Dunning, Girl Guides, Fareham Division for the purchase of a Compton garage be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Confirmed as a true record: