# FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

# Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision

Portfolio:	Leisure and Community
Subject:	Community Fund Application – Sarisbury Athletic
_	Cricket Club
Report of:	Director of Finance and Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
<b>Corporate Objective:</b>	Strong and Inclusive Communities

## Purpose:

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

## **Executive Summary:**

An application for community funding has been received from Mr Andy Oliphant, of Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club, for the sum of £715.00 to use towards the purchase of a cricket cage and netting.

Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club is a local community club, playing at Allotment Road, Sarisbury. The Club caters for both colts and adults, with members ranging in age from 7 years to 70 years.

The Club would like to add a grass practice net to their artificial practice area, to provide a match surface for the colts section, as well as the adults, to practice on and get used to playing on grass. The current framework will therefore be extended, allowing the club to develop a natural turf net. All their nets are open to anyone for practicing cricket and it is also hoped that Sarisbury Junior School will make use of them during school hours.

The total cost of the project is approximately £2000.00. Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club is applying to the community fund for £715.00 towards these costs and will be contributing the remaining costs from their own funds. The Club will also be providing the labour for preparing the ground for the works and will cover all ongoing expenses.

Councillor Swanbrow and Councillor Woodward are in support of this application.

# **Recommendation:**

That the application for £715.00 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Oliphant of Sarisbury Athletic Cricket Club towards the purchase of a cricket cage and netting, be approved.

# Reason:

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

# Cost of Proposals:

The total cost of this project will be £715.00 and can be met from within the existing budget for the Community Fund Programme.

## **Risk Assessment:**

There are no identified risks associated with this report.