FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision 14 September 2023

Portfolio:	Leisure and Community
Subject:	Voluntary Sector Support Fund Application – The Dementia Care Hub
Report of:	Assistant Director (Democracy)
Corporate Priorities:	Leisure Opportunities for Health and Fun

Purpose:

This report presents an application for funding under the Council's Voluntary Sector Support Fund Programme.

Executive Summary:

An application for Voluntary Sector Support Funding has been received from The Dementia Care Hub for £30 to cover the costs of one year's membership to Action Hampshire.

The Dementia Care Hub was formed for the 'public benefit to relieve the needs of persons living with a dementia, their families and carers, by providing support, training and guidance and by the provision of facilities for respite and recreation in a safe and stimulating environment.' To aid this objective in August 2023, The Dementia Care Hub started running trial sessions at Titchfield Community Centre, with a view to making this support permanent. Already 25 members are attending, the vast majority of which live in the Borough of Fareham.

The Dementia Care Hub would like to become a member of Action Hampshire to help support the dementia community in the borough and enable them to access Action Hampshire support, information and events. The organisation is not currently a member of Action Hampshire and had a turnover last year of £9,864.61.

Recommendation/Recommended Option:

It is recommended that this application be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the Voluntary Sector Support Fund criteria for governance support.

Cost of Proposals:

The total allocation will be £30 which can be met from the existing budget for Voluntary Sector Support Fund.

Risk Assessment:

There are no risks associated with this report.

Enquiries:

For further information on this report please contact Gemma Rowland, Leisure and Community Officer (Tel: 01329 824471)