

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision 13 December 2023

<b>Portfolio:</b>	Leisure and Community
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Voluntary Sector Support Fund – Priory Park Community Association</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Assistant Director (Democracy)
<b>Corporate Priorities:</b>	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 Priory Park Community Association for £30 to cover the costs of one year's membership to Action Hampshire plus £446 for one day's one-to-one guidance from Action Hampshire to support the charity's transition to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Priory Park Community Association's objects are to '... advance education and to provide facilities in the interest of welfare for recreation and leisure-time occupation' for the inhabitants of Priory Park. The organisation runs Priory Park Community Hall to this purpose, which is home to a pre-school, pilates classes, and guide / scout groups in addition to having facilities for hire by the local community for private parties.

Priory Park Community Association would like to become a member of Action Hampshire to enable them to access support and information, to help them with the effective running the charity. The organisation is not currently a member of Action Hampshire and had a turnover last year of £26,443.

**Recommendation/Recommended Option:**

It is recommended that this application is approved.

**Reason:**

This application meets the Community Fund criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

**Cost of Proposals:**

The total allocation will be £476 which can be met from the existing budget for Voluntary Sector Support Fund

**Risk Assessment:**

There are no risks associated with this report.