

Appendix B - MATCHED FUNDING REQUEST

APPLICANT	Portchester Community School
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	<p>Portchester Community School has extensive community provision including adult education, childcare, an adult day centre, facility hire, a 3G football pitch and tennis courts.</p> <p>The existing fitness suite has been in use of over 20 years, with the result that much of the equipment has become tired and many of the items are now beyond repair. As a result of the poor standard of the equipment, community use of the fitness suite has declined and there are now only six regular members.</p> <p>The school is seeking to replace all of the current fitness equipment to allow the community use of the facility to increase.</p> <p>The improvements would enable more people to use the fitness suite and for the community to have access to a low cost facility in the Portchester area. There is no other such provision locally.</p>
PROJECT COSTS	The total project cost is £19,800.
PROJECT FUNDING	<p>Portchester Community School currently has £121,000 in reserve funds.</p> <p>Of this, £84,000 is allocated to existing projects. Within this, £10,000 is being put towards the replacement of the fitness equipment.</p> <p>The remaining balance of £37,000 is used to pay for staff cover and unforeseen expenses.</p> <p>The school propose to fund the project from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• £9,800 from the Councils Community Fund.• £10,000 from the existing reserves.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS	The proposed works will mean that the service can be enhanced by the provision modern and reliable fitness equipment. This will help ensure that the current community provision can continue and be increased.
ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS	There are no significant environmental benefits.
LINKS TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PRIORITIES	<p>This application is consistent with the Council's role of "a partner", as identified in the Leisure Strategy, to continue, where possible, to actively collaborate with other providers within the local area to maximise potential opportunities for sport.</p> <p>The ward councillors are fully supportive of the application and proposals. The Executive Member for Leisure and Community has given "in principle" support subject to consideration by the Executive.</p>
PROJECT RISKS	The project would be managed by the community school.
RECOMMEND	<p>That the Executive gives consideration to making a matched funding award of up to £9,800 to this application, subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The remainder of funding being in place. 2. The club entering into a Community Use Agreement.