

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision

Portfolio:	Leisure and Community
Subject:	Community Fund Application – The Abbeyfield Fareham Society
Report of:	Director of Finance and Resources
Strategy/Policy:	Community Engagement Strategy
Corporate Objective:	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 Roy Taylor, Chairman of The Abbeyfield Fareham Society, for the sum of £1000.00 towards a large shed for their Potting Shed project.

The project was originally considered as part of the Youth and Community Roots Grant scheme but it was felt that it fell more closely within the criteria of the Community Fund Application programme.

The Abbeyfield Fareham Society is a not-for-profit charity which provides affordable sheltered accommodation for older people.

The Potting Shed project will include the purchase of a large shed with a potting area, a concrete base and access. The potting shed will enable residents and their friends, family and visitors to enjoy gardening throughout the year and will provide them with a sense of pride and achievement as their seedlings and plants develop.

The total cost of the project is £3500.00 and the Society will be paying for the remainder from their own reserves.

Councillor Mrs Trott and Councillor Whittle are in support of this application.

Recommendation:

That the application for £1000.00 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Taylor of The Abbeyfield Fareham Society for the purchase of a potting shed, 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 £1000.00 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.