

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

Portfolio: Leisure and Community

Subject: Community Fund Application – 1<sup>st</sup> Fareham Scout

Group

Report of: Director of Finance and Resources Strategy/Policy: Community Engagement Strategy 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 Jonathon Skinner, Group Scout Leader/Group Manager of 1<sup>st</sup> Fareham Scout Group, for the sum of £2,148.97 to enable flooring works to be carried out at their headquarters at Crescent Road.

1<sup>st</sup> Fareham Scout group has been running for 105 years and currently has approximately 70 members made up of Cubs, Scouts and Beavers, between the ages of 6-14, and 10 adult leaders. The group operates from their headquarters on Crescent Road which is owned by them. They receive a small regular income from the hire of their hall to a dance school and occasional income from hiring the hall to other community groups, however all other income is gained from membership fees, fundraising and grants.

The linoleum flooring throughout the building is very old and needs to be replaced. If funding is approved, works will take place during the summer holidays to ensure there is minimum disruption to the scout and dance school programmes. Works will include the supply and fitting of non-slip linoleum throughout the main hall as well as in the kitchen, hallway and toilets.

The total cost of the project is £3,368.97 and the scout group has raised £1,220.00 towards the project themselves. They are therefore requesting the remaining £2,148.97 from the community fund.

Councillor Bryant and Councillor Mrs Bryant are in support of this application.

### Recommendation:

That the application for £2,148.97 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Skinner of 1<sup>st</sup> Fareham Scout Group, 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 £2,148.97 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.