

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision

Portfolio:	Leisure and Community
Subject:	Community Fund Application – Talisman Bowmen Archery Club
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 Martyn Paine, Chairman of Talisman Bowmen Archery Club, for the sum of £1,000 to use towards the purchase of a storage container to replace their current storage shed at Hunts Pond Road.

Talisman Bowmen Archery Club was established in the early 1970's and currently has 40 active members of different ages. The club is open to beginners, improvers and experienced archers alike and their coaches offer instruction at all levels. Members of different ages are able to compete alongside each other and archery is also a sport in which many disabled people partake.

In the summer months the club shoots at land off Hunts Pond Road, which is owned by Hampshire County Council and leased by Fareham Borough Council. In the winter months the club uses Brookfield School and West Hill Park School.

The club currently has a very old and deteriorating small hut on the land at Hunts Pond Road where their archery equipment is stored; however this is in need of urgent replacement due to its condition.

The club has obtained planning permission and permission from Hampshire County Council to place two 20 foot dark green containers on the land at Hunts Pond Road; however Fareham Borough Council will only give consent for the placement of one 20 foot container on the land which will be used for storage. This container will be end opening and will stand on the concrete on which the current hut is sited.

The total cost of one container is £2,000 and the club are able to contribute £1,000 from their own funds. They are therefore requesting the remaining £1,000 from the community fund; however this money must be used towards the purchase of one container only.

If approved the following conditions must be met by Talisman Bowmen Archery Club:

1. Talisman Bowmen Archery Club must ensure the current structure is safely removed from site.
2. Talisman Bowmen must contact the Leisure Development team once a delivery date for the container is known, so that a member of staff from Fareham Borough Council can be on site.
3. The vehicle delivering the container must make every effort to ensure minimal damage is caused and Talisman Bowmen must make good any damage that may be caused.
4. Whilst Talisman Bowmen has Planning permission for the placement of two containers, as leaseholders of the land Fareham Borough Council will give consent for the siting of one 20 foot container only which will be used for storage.

Talisman Bowmen Archery Club's occupancy of the land at Hunts Pond Road will also be formalised with a tenancy at will.

Councillor Englefield and Councillor Pankhurst are in support of this application.

Recommendation:

That the application for £1,000 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Paine of Talisman Bowmen Archery Club, 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 £1,000 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.