

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision

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| Portfolio: | Leisure and Community |
| Subject: | Community Fund Application – 1st Sarisbury Green Scout Group |
| 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 Adrian Smith, Scout Leader of 1st Sarisbury Green Scout Group, for the sum of £750.00 to use towards the purchase of a marquee for the group.

1st Sarisbury Green Scout Group is a heavily subscribed unit based at Burridge Village Hall.

The 1st Sarisbury beavers, cubs and scouts go on group camps many times during the year, with approximately 60 children plus adults in attendance at each camp. The group currently has sufficient tents for all of the children to sleep in; however they do not have anything large enough to use for feeding, entertaining or for storing kit in the event of bad weather. They would therefore like to purchase a marquee for use at the regular group camps.

Financial reserves are limited, as the group is currently saving towards the cost of a new scout hut. The total cost of the marquee is £1580.00 and the group have applied to the Hampshire County Councillor grants fund for £750.00. They are therefore applying to the community fund for £750.00 and will pay the remaining £80.00 from their own funds. If approved, the £750.00 community fund award will only be released if the Hampshire County Councillor grant application is successful.

Councillor Swanbrow and Councillor Woodward are in support of this application.

Recommendation:

That the application for £750.00 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Smith of 1st Sarisbury Green Scout Group to use towards the purchase of a marquee, 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 £750.00 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.