

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision

Portfolio: Leisure and Community

Subject: Community Fund Application - Fareham - Vannes

Twinning Association

Report of: Director of Operations

Strategy/Policy: Leisure 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 Peter Davis, the Treasurer of the Fareham-Vannes Twinning Association, for the sum of £1,690 to support the Fareham-Vannes Fiftieth Anniversary Celebrations.

The application specifies that the funding would be used for the hire of a coach for a Borough tour, the hire of a coach for a trip to Whitchurch, and the purchase of commemorative paperweights as gifts for visiting participants in the celebrations.

The Fareham-Vannes Twinning Association is a constituted Association, which aims to 'encourage exchanges between cultural, educational, professional and sporting organisation, and individual members of the communities of Fareham and Vannes.

The Association plans to commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the twinning by holding an extended weekend of celebrations, beginning on 10th September, for approximately thirty visitors from Vannes.

In addition to celebrating the Anniversary, the celebrations aim to showcase local talent and highlight attractions to the benefit of the Borough's traders.

The Association has financial reserves of £7,124 and plans to use these funds towards the cost of the entire twinning celebration project, in addition to enabling future exchange visits.

Recommendation:

That Fareham-Vannes Twinning Association is awarded £1,294 towards the cost of the Fareham Borough Tour and the commemorative paperweights.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Funding Programme criteria for financial support for community projects.

Cost of Proposals:

The total allocation towards this project will be £1,294 which can be met from within the existing budget for the Community Fund Programme.

Risk Assessment:

There are no identified risks associated with this report.