

Report to the Executive Member for Leisure and Community for Decision 24 April 2019

Portfolio: Leisure and Community

Subject: Community Fund Application – Burridge Cricket Club

Report of: Director of Leisure and Community

Strategy/Policy: Leisure Opportunities for Health and Fun

Purpose:

This represents an application for funding under the Council's Community Fund Programme.

Executive Summary:

An application for community funding has been received from Burridge Cricket Club for the sum of £2,894.28 to contribute towards the purchase of a new cricket net cage and cover sheet for the Club.

Burridge Cricket Club is a thriving organisation, with 35 senior players, 71 Colts (9-17 years of age), 70 Allstars (under 8 years of age), 12 ladies and 20 social members. In addition to the nets being used by members, the Club holds a weekly Friday evening session that is open to the community, is holding a ladies' open day in June (in conjunction with Cricket World Cup) and is hosting the Fareham Schools Cricket Festival on various days throughout the summer term.

The club has existing nets, but they are limited and demand for their use is high.

The grounds in which the Club practice are owned by the Burridge Sports and Social Club, of which the Cricket Club is an affiliated member.

At the close of 2018, the Club listed £3,869 in their accounts. From this, they propose to contribute £357.72 towards the project, which has a total cost of £3,252.

Both Ward Councillors, Councillor Woodward and Councillor Butts, are supportive of this application.

Recommendation:

That the application for £2,894.28 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Fund, submitted by Burridge Cricket Club, be approved.

Reason:

This application meets the agreed Community Fund criteria for financial support for community capital projects.

Cost of Proposals:

The total allocation towards this project will be £2,894.28 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.