

# FAREHAM

## BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

<b>Portfolio:</b>	Leisure and Community
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Community Fund Application – Burr ridge Cricket Club</b> Director of Community
<b>Report of:</b>	Community Engagement Strategy
<b>Strategy/Policy:</b>	
<b>Corporate Objective:</b>	Strong and Inclusive Communities

#### **Purpose:**

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

#### **Executive summary:**

Burr ridge Cricket Club (Colts) has requested funding of £2,000 to purchase bowling machine equipment.

The Colts Section has gone from strength to strength and now has over 100 children playing cricket from the beginning of January through to the end of August. Their U9, 11, 13 and 15 teams play in the South East Hants Cricket Leagues and have done exceptionally well over the last few years. Some of the children have got into the district teams throughout this period and also enter and compete at the Ageas Bowl in summer competitions.

The adult teams have been very successful in recent years and the first team played in the regional cup final at the Ageas Bowl in 2013. The Colts Section is used as a feeder for young talent going into adult cricket and the adult teams.

The Colts Section is in desperate need of equipment this year so that they can continue to provide quality coaching and cricket for local children, who come from areas such as Whiteley, Botley, Locks Heath and Hedge End etc. The club also require a bowling machine so that they can develop batting skills. The sum of £2000 is required so that the club can purchase this equipment.

Councillor S Woodward, the Executive Leader supports the application, Councillor D Swanbrow, Ward Councillor supports the application and Madam Mayor Councillor S Bayford the Western Wards Community Action Team Chairman also supports the application .

**Recommendation:**

That the application for £2,000 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Burrige Cricket Club to provide new equipment be approved.

**Reason:**

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

**Cost of Proposals:**

The total cost of this project will be £2,000 and can be met from within the existing budget for the Community Fund Programme.

**Risk Assessment:**

There are no risks associated with this application.