

# 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 – Y-Services</b>
<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Community
<b>Strategy/Policy:</b>	Community Engagement Strategy
<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:**

Y-Services are a charity who provides outreach and youth work sessions for young people primarily between the ages of 11 and 19 years old.

Mr Andy Kennedy, Chair of Trustees of Y-Services, has requested £4,481.93 to assist with a number of small projects.

Y-Services work out of a number of locations and are looking for funding that will assist with the service provision at 3 of their locations:

#### **X-perience**

At this location they are looking to purchase a pool table as their current table is due to be returned to the hire company that owns it. The pool table is a very popular piece of equipment with the young people who attend the youth provision at X-perience.

#### **Genesis**

At this location they would like to purchase some outdoor equipment for use during the summer and at the Access all Areas Sessions. They would like to purchase five aside goalposts which can be transported to different open spaces. They would also like to purchase a number of craft activities for the summer programme. All the equipment will be shared with other projects used at different locations

#### **Odyssey**

The resources at Odyssey House have become tired and Y-Services would like to up-date theses. This includes the purchase of new arts and crafts activities and music resources for the Thursday Jammit session. They would also like to purchase aprons and cooking utensils for use at cooking classes.

Finally, Y Services are requesting funding to assist with the development of volunteering opportunities whereby young people will take part in a training

programme which is linked to each of the centres, and will support the paid employees in developing and expanding the programmes. This will attending training programmes in the basic skills of working with young people e.g safeguarding, recording and delivering activities which would be certificated through the AQA.

The total cost of the project is £4,481.93 and Y-Services are requesting full amount. Y-Services have money in the bank however; this is reserved to pay three months of employee salaries should Y-Services close down.

As the application covers a number of CATs areas and Wards, the views of the Councillors in respective Wards have been sought. Councillors Mrs Bayford, Fazackarley, Price, Evans and Trott are all supportive of the application. Councillor Howard as Chairman of Fareham Town CAT area is also supportive.

**Recommendation:**

That the application for £4,481.93 from Fareham Borough Council's Community Funding Programme, submitted by Mr Andy Kennedy of Y-Services 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 £4,481.93 and can be met from within the existing budget for the Community Fund Programme.

**Risk Assessment:**

There are no identified risks.