

Appendix A - MATCHED FUNDING REQUEST

APPLICANT	Holy Rood Church, Crofton.
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	<p>Crofton is a Church of England parish within the villages of Stubbington and Hill Head. The Holy Rood church is one of two buildings that the church has in the parish and is the larger of the two and holds traditional church services. One of the morning services includes children groups, activities and crèche.</p> <p>The church has a selection of rooms of different sizes that are available for hire to groups or individuals including a main hall and kitchen facilities.</p> <p>The church is seeking to extend and upgrade its kitchen which is 22 years old. It has reached the end of its useful life and requires complete replacement.</p> <p>The project will extend the kitchen to incorporate the old boiler space. It will include the installation of replacement stainless steel furniture and equipment in the kitchen, to meet current health and safety requirements.</p> <p>The improvements would enable the church to continue to provide catering facilities to those members of the community who hire their rooms on a private basis and to encourage additional community use of the facilities.</p>
PROJECT COSTS	The total project cost is £62,000.
PROJECT FUNDING	<p>As of 31 December 2013 the church had £155,000 of restricted funds and £73,000 of unrestricted funds (which could potentially be used for this project) in their current and deposit accounts respectively. These are grants or donations with conditions attached by the donor and therefore cannot be used for the kitchen project.</p> <p>The applicant has allocated £23,000 of their reserves</p>

	<p>to this project and seeks to fund the balance from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A £6,000 grant from the Hammond Trust. • A £6,200 grant from Portsmouth Diocese Mission Opportunities Fund. • £25,000 from the Council's Community Fund.
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<p>COMMUNITY BENEFITS</p>	<p>The proposed works will ensure that the current community provision can continue. Installing larger serving hatches to each of the two rooms directly served by the kitchen will allow additional community groups to benefit from the facilities.</p> <p>Currently, 20 community groups make use of the kitchen facilities. Approximately 1800 people make use of the facilities from these groups and from festivals.</p> <p>The community facilities are provided to both church and non-church related groups, all age ranges, the vulnerable and is also accessible for those with a disability.</p>
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<p>ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS</p>	<p>There are no significant environmental benefits. However, the use of modern kitchen appliances will be more energy efficient.</p>
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<p>LINKS TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PRIORITIES</p>	<p>This application is consistent with the Council's role of "a partner", as identified in the Leisure Strategy, to continue, where possible, to actively collaborate with other providers within the local area and to maximise potential opportunities for sport.</p> <p>The ward councillors are fully supportive of the application and proposals and the Executive Leader has given "in principle" support subject to consideration by the Executive.</p>
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<p>PROJECT RISKS</p>	<p>The project would be managed by the church who would appoint a sole contractor to carry out all of the works.</p>
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RECOMMEND	<p>That the Executive gives consideration to making a matched funding award of up to £25,000 to this application, subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The remainder of funding being in place.2. The club entering into a Community Use Agreement.3. Receipt of all Local Authority approvals, i.e. building regulations.
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