

RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION



Decision taken by individual Cabinet Member

DECISION MAKER

Councillor Sue Carter, Community Portfolio Holder

DECISION AND THE REASON(S) FOR IT

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund grant requests from:

- **£3,135 awarded to Parkside** for new garden group set up.

The Community Environmental Fund commenced in 2001. It is levied by Farnborough Airport on business aviation movements at a rate of £2 per aircraft movement and £5 per aircraft movement where the aircraft is a Boeing Business Jet or an Airbus Corporate Jet.

The fund is available to groups and organisations under the following criteria:

- Located within 5 kilometres (3 miles) from the centre of Farnborough Airport (taken to be halfway down the main runway) and is demonstrably and regularly affected by aircrafts travelling to and from Farnborough Airport
- Has public access to be available to be enjoyed by the community as a whole and result in the improvement of an outdoor facility or area
- Includes an environmental improvement
- Projects may include: -
 - Green or open spaces
 - Natural habitats
 - Environmental improvements
 - Outdoor play
 - Community projects with an emphasis on improving the local environment

In addition, the panel met on 7th November 2023 to consider applications from Farnborough FC Community Trust and Heart of Farnborough. The Panel agreed that neither met the environmental impact/improvement criteria and have been sign posted to other potential funds for the projects.

There is £33,753 available for allocation from the Community Environmental Fund.

DATE DECISION TAKEN

9 January 2024

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

(Those examined by officers and generated by consultation, etc)

None.

ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

(conflict of interests of any executive member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision. A note of dispensation should be attached).

N/A

Signed _____ Sue Carter _____

Designation _____ Community Portfolio Holder _____

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Parkside (Aldershot & District Learning Disability) 57 Guildford road, Aldershot, Hants GU12 4BP		
Purpose of grant:	New Garden Group set up		
Grant amount requested:	£3,135	Total cost of project:	£3,255
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	£1,200 – Garden project (2020) £3,120 – Gardening and sharing in the community (2022)		
Criteria met?	Y/N	Comment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located within distance? • Regularly affected by air movements? • Public access enjoyed by whole community? • Result in improvement of outdoor facility/area? • Include an environmental improvement? 	Y Y Y Y Y	Gardening and being outdoors is a proven wellbeing activity and by offering this activity will have health benefits which help with overall health. The aim is to create raised beds that will attract bees and to look attractive so that they can be visually enjoyed by many people. The goal is to cultivate produce for sale at reasonable prices at the Parkside entrance, fostering community engagement. Whilst the area can be viewed by public without an organised event, they wouldn't access the property all the time mainly due to safeguarding issues.	
Other sources of funding for this project:	£54 £66	Sale of Christmas wreaths On going fundraising	
Accounts:	Income: £466,447	Expenditure: £501,290	Balances: £865,909
Additional information:	<p>Following the recent sale of their garden located near Parkside's main premises, they want to create an inviting and thriving outdoor space at the main premises that not only benefits the service users but also enriches the community as a whole. Moreover, increased visibility outside is expected to foster community inclusion and promote a better understanding of Parkside's activities. The raised beds will require soil for cultivation and new composters as these did not survive the move.</p> <p>The Thursday gardening group currently has a dedicated group of six service users. By moving location there is the potential to welcome an additional 40-plus day care users into the garden. It will also be enjoyed by many others who attend shorter day and evening services.</p> <p>The garden will reach those with a learning disability at Parkside: approx. 46 Day care service users, 13 children, and 90 other service users, as well as 30 staff, 100+ parents and carers and many members of the public walking past to get to Aldershot Park.</p>		
Aim of organisation/group:	Parkside's mission is to provide support to all children and adults with learning disabilities and any associated special needs by actively involving them, their families, and circles of support in creating and developing services. Service users are provided with innovative and progressive services which reflect personal needs and wishes.		
Application recommendation:	£3,135		

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Farnborough FC Community Trust (FFCCT) BR Saunders Community Stadium, Cherrywood Road, Farnborough GU14 8UD		
Purpose of grant:	Football for the whole community		
Grant amount requested:	£17,017	Total cost of project:	£17,017
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	None		
Criteria met?	Y/N	Comment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located within distance? • Regularly affected by air movements? • Public access enjoyed by whole community? • Result in improvement of outdoor facility/area? • Include an environmental improvement? 	Y Y Y ? ?	By free offering local activities in the heart of a deprived ward, this will encourage participants to walk, cycle or lift share to the sessions, therefore resulting in improving the local environment. The football club is in the deprived Cherrywood ward. Being able to the financial cost and provide free activities will open these sessions to more of the community and offer benefits including improving physical and mental health, and wellbeing through bringing people together.	
Other sources of funding for this project:	£0	Looking to apply to the National League Trust when funding opens in February 2024. Other funding may come from private donors and sponsors.	
Accounts:	Income: £3,890	Expenditure: £3,958	Balances: £4,612.27
Additional information:	<p>Farnborough FC Community Trust's (FFCCT) project is to offer everyone in the Farnborough community an opportunity to play football for free, no matter what their background, gender, age, sex, religion, or belief.</p> <p>The hour-long sessions would be for mental health groups, children, walking football for men and women over 40, women, girls, Nepalese women, Nepalese men and men's 35+ vets. These would take place in a safe inclusive environment that has good safeguarding practices at its heart, such as at Farnborough Football Club or another local facility and be run by highly qualified coaches (paid and volunteers).</p>		
Aim of organisation/group:	<p>FFCCT is a not-for-profit organisation whose purpose is to engage and support the whole of the local, diverse community using meaningful activities. The vision is to support any age group in accessing local services and meeting the needs of the local community by offering or promoting services that are purposeful and engaging, improving mental and physical health, well-being and giving people the opportunity to connect with others to create impact and change.</p>		
Application recommendation:	£0		

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Heart of Farnborough		
Purpose of grant:	Community service bench		
Grant amount requested:	£1,779	Total cost of project:	£2,379
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	None		
Criteria met?	Y/N	Comment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located within distance? • Regularly affected by air movements? • Public access enjoyed by whole community? • Result in improvement of outdoor facility/area? • Include an environmental improvement? 	Y Y Y Y Y	The bench is situated next to waste bins. It is hoped that this will encourage users to dispose of their waste / rubbish responsibly. As a "knock on "effect it is hoped that it will cut down on general litter in the adjacent area. The level of general litter in this area made the group choose this area for a targeted litter pick.	
Other sources of funding for this project:	£600	RBC Supporting Communities grant (applied for, awaiting decision)	
Accounts:	Income: £	Expenditure: £	Balances: £
Additional information:	<p>The Heart of Farnborough group has been asked by Fernhill Ward Councillor Abe Allen to request a grant to purchase a bench to mark 30 years Community Service from Chapel Lane Pharmacy. The Committee believes that as the Pharmacy has supported the community for the last 30 years that its staff have as some time helped and supported many members of the surrounding community in that time. This included during the pandemic when the pharmacy was still open, supporting the community.</p> <p>The Grant request covers the preparatory groundworks (authorised by Hampshire Highways) and purchase of the bench.</p> <p>The bench will offer an opportunity for members of the community to rest and communicate with each other. The bench will be situated adjacent to a bus stop, so will provide respite for those waiting for their bus.</p>		
Aim of organisation/group:	To promote "all that's good about Farnborough" and engage with various communities, charities in activities and initiatives (Community litter picks, guided historical tours) and to act as support for local events e.g. Frost Fair.		
Application recommendation:	£0		