

RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION



Decision taken by individual Cabinet Member

DECISION MAKER

Councillor Sophie Porter, Community & Residents Portfolio Holder

DECISION AND THE REASON(S) FOR IT

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund grant requests from:

- **£10,850 awarded to Aldershot Civic Society** for Station Community Garden
- **£674 awarded to Bohunt School** for Recycling Project
- **£10,000 awarded to Shademakers** for Wonderful Water Community Carnival Workshops

The Community Environmental Fund commenced in 2001. It is levied by Farnborough Airport on business aviation movements at a rate of £2 or £5 per aircraft movement (dependent on aircraft).

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
 - Community projects with an emphasis on improving the local environment

There is £50,8883 available for allocation from the Community Environmental Fund.

DATE DECISION TAKEN

04 April 2025

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 _____ Sophie Porter _____

Designation ____ Community & Residents Portfolio Holder _____

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Aldershot Civic Society - Aldershot Train Station, GU11 1HN					
Purpose of grant:	Station Community Garden to mark 200 years of Railways					
Grant amount requested:	£10,850	Total cost of project:	£10,850			
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	2024 – Aldershot Station Adoption Planters					
Criteria met?	Y/N	Comment				
• Located within distance?	Y	<p>Residents from a care home nearby will be invited to be involved in this project for access to a garden.</p> <p>The station sees 1,229,064 passengers a year, who could benefit from the addition of this green space.</p> <p>The garden will include the growing of sustainable plant, that will benefit pollinators, bees and other insects. They also intend to grow fruit and vegetables which can be harvested by volunteers for the local community.</p>				
• Regularly affected by air movements?	Y					
• Public access enjoyed by whole community?	Y					
• Result in improvement of outdoor facility/area?	Y					
• Include an environmental improvement?	Y					
Other sources of funding for this project:	£0	n/a				
Accounts:	Income:	£995.20	Expenditure:	£1,584.00	Balances:	£1,488.80
Additional information:	<p>This project will see a derelict site to be turned into a community garden. This will provide a welcoming space and improve the attractiveness of the stations surrounding area.</p> <p>The project will be delivered by volunteers and paid staff to create the garden. The ongoing maintenance will be overseen by volunteers.</p>					
Aim of organisation/group:	<p>The Station Adoption Scheme is a voluntary programme to help maintain and improve the local train station, to make it more welcoming to commuters, staff and the local community. The scheme is part of the Community Rail Network – a movement of 75 community rail partnerships which promotes engagement of local people to promote social inclusion, sustainable and healthy travel and economic development.</p>					
Application recommendation:	£10,850					

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Bohunt School, Neville Duke Road, Farnborough, GU14 9BY		
Purpose of grant:	Recycling Project		
Grant amount requested:	£674	Total cost of project:	£674
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	n/a		
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	<p>Bohunt School, Farnborough is located within the 5km Radius</p> <p>The school will engage with the wider community, including feeder primary schools to ensure the impact of the project extends beyond the Bohunt campus to foster a long-term culture of sustainability in the local area.</p> <p>It will aim to also help reduce the litter in the surrounding areas on Hawley Lane, Neville Duke Road, Derry Road, Field Road by reducing the amount of waste in the surrounding area. Through teaching pupils how to dispose of waste correctly will help to reduce waste in the community.</p>	
Other sources of funding for this project:	£0	None	
Accounts:	Income:	£5,232,000	Expenditure: £3,922,000 Balances: £104,000
Additional information:	<p>This project will be used for the purchase of recycling bins within the school to continue promoting sustainability and environmental stewardship.</p> <p>There will be a wider community benefit by teaching student skills and importance of recycling to empower them to take these practices home and into the community. As students learn the impact of recycling on the environment, they will share this knowledge with family and friends hopefully creating a positive ripple effect. This will aim to see a reduction in litter in the school surrounding areas.</p> <p>The success of this project will be managed through the tracking of reduction of waste and increase of recyclables, which will be measured through their waste management service.</p>		
Aim of organisation/group:	<p>Bohunt School is an Academy located within Farnborough. This initiative will extend Bohunt's ethos of "Keep Bohunt Beautiful" into a broader community effort, fostering a collective mindset of environmental responsibility. Their vision is to inspire others with a message of "Keep Farnborough Flourishing" ensuring that sustainable practices are embraced beyond their school gates.</p>		
Application recommendation:	£674		

Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund applicant bid

Applicant name and address of project site:	Shademakers UK (Various Sites throughout Rushmoor).		
Purpose of grant:	Wonderful Water Community Carnival Workshops		
Grant amount requested:	£10,000	Total cost of project:	£11,000
Previous grants from this fund in the last five years:	n/a		
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	<p>All sites within 5km Radius.</p> <p>The project will give young people a unique creative opportunity to learn about their local environment, create artworks with inspirational professional artists and join in a huge, shared experience at the Victoria Day parade. The workshops will result in more people valuing nature, understanding how to access it and appreciating their responsibility for caring for the natural world.</p>	
Other sources of funding for this project:	£1,000	Support in-kind – Rushmoor Borough Council / Hampshire Cultural Trust (workshop venue hire discounts)	
Accounts:	Income:	£	Expenditure:
		£	Balances:
		£	
Additional information:	<p>This project is a climate-themed carnival workshops around Victoria Day's Wonderful Water theme and will take place during the Summer. Arts projects have long been recognised as a powerful force for community building and driving social change, such as environmental action.</p> <p>Workshops (minimum of 14)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The content will depend on the participants, but may include activities such as costume and movement, creating and decorating flags and sails and costume design. - There will also be environmental themed classroom carnival workshops and assemblies, as well as environmental themed youth club carnival workshops, in partnership with the Army Welfare Service Youth Group. - There will be Community costume and movement workshops, open to people of all aged and abilities. 		
Aim of organisation/group:	Shademakers UK are outdoor arts & carnival specialists based on the Isle of Wight. We are an Arts Council funded organisation with over 30 years of experience working with schools, the community and artists.		
Application recommendation:	£10,000		