

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Cabinet
1 March 2016

Head of Community and Environmental
Services Report No. COMM1604

Farnborough Airport - Community Environmental Fund

Introduction

- This paper seeks approval to award grants from the Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund to assist local projects.
- The Cabinet Member for Environment has considered three applications and has made award recommendations for all (Appendix A).

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| ▪ Community Youth Work Service (Surrey CC) | £1,350 |
| ▪ Farnborough Street Residents' Association | £2,000 |
| ▪ Rushmoor Voluntary Services – Blooming Marvellous | £5,000 |
| Total | £8,350 |

- The Community Environmental Fund is currently £70,374. Taking the three applications recommended in this paper totalling £8,350 would leave £62,024 available for allocation.
- The guidelines for allocating the funds are attached in Appendix B

Recommendation

- Cabinet is recommended to approve the awards totalling £8,350 in Appendix A

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| Environment Fund applicant bid | |
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| Name & address of Applicant | Community Youth Work Service (CYWS – Surrey CC) Frimley Green Youth Centre |
| Grant requested (Total cost of project) | £1,350 (£1,350) £250 – tools including lawnmower £440 – shed/outside lighting/benches £300 – Gardener/landscaper £150 – overalls/gloves £210 – top soil/pots/bin/grow bags etc |
| Purpose of grant | <p>Youth gardening project at Frimley Green for Club Shout (a Special Education Needs and Disability group for vulnerable young people aged 11 – 25). The young people have identified this area to redevelop to make it more welcoming and to able to grow their own food.</p> <p>The project will enable the young people to work together and learn about the environment and the production of food. The produce will be used as a resource for all 5 youth groups across Frimley Green Youth Centre to cook with. In addition, the produce can be offered to supply local food fairs and summer events, and be offered to local residents and community groups, as part of young people giving back to their local community.</p> |
| Previous grants from this fund | None |
| Distance from centre of runway (within 5 kilometres (3 miles)) | Yes |
| Other sources of funding for this project | None, but they are looking into landfill funding |
| Accounts | Income - £1.8m) Expenditure - £2m) Surrey CC Balances - £199k) |
| Additional Info | <p>Club Shout runs once a week and is attended by 20 young people from Surrey, Berkshire and Farnborough.</p> <p>The project will be carried out and led by young people with the support of youth workers and a gardener. It will take place once a week during Spring and Summer 2016. The plan is to continue the project once the resources are in place.</p> <p>The tools will be available to other local groups in the vicinity of Frimley Green Youth Centre and local residents by contacting the youth centre.</p> |
| Aim of organisation/group | Aim of CYWS is for all young people to be able to achieve employability, with the following outcomes: Young people are equipped with the skills to join the workforce; are resilient and safe; overcome barriers to employability; make informed decisions and are active members of their communities. |
| Application recommendation | £1,350 |

Environment Fund applicant bid

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| Name & address of Applicant | Farnborough Street Residents' Association (FSRA) |
| Grant requested (Total cost of project) | £2,000 (£16,300) |
| Purpose of grant | Heritage Street Furniture Restoration of Farnborough Street - Purchase and installation of: 6 Heritage style lamp posts = £13,200 1 Finger signpost = £3,100 (funded by TAG) |
| Previous grants from this fund | None |
| Distance from centre of runway (within 5 kilometres (3 miles)) | Yes |
| Other sources of funding for this project | <u>Secured:</u> (£11,590) £11,160 – Corporate sponsorship £430 – FSRA <u>Unsecured:</u> (£3,200) £1,000 – Persimmon Housing £2,200 – Awards for All |
| Accounts | Income - £11,942 Expenditure - £311 Balances - £11,631 |
| Additional Info | By installing heritage style street furniture, some of Farnborough Street's heritage will be restored and recognised in keeping with other conservation areas in Hampshire. It will provide a welcoming environment to the thousands of people accessing the street/town via Farnborough North Station. The project will only go ahead if full funding is obtained and the aim is for completion before the 2016 Air Show. The Finger signpost will be installed by Hampshire Highways Department to their specifications and standards. Southern and Scottish Electricity (SSE) will install the lamp posts. RBC have arranged for the installation of a community noticeboard in the street, a Farnborough Aviation sign and an additional litter bin at the station entrance, and a dog litter bin (to be installed). Long term plans are to support Farnborough North station improvements. |
| Aim of organisation/group | FSRA was formed in 2013 to work in partnership with the local community to protect and preserve the historic heart of Farnborough town. There are currently 31 members. Farnborough Street is now a designated conservation area. Aims are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent the community that uses Farnborough Street and in doing so serve the wider community of Farnborough town residents and businesses • Enhance the environment for residents and street users • Protect the historic base of the street • Monitor local developments, ensuring that they are sympathetic to the street's values and standards |
| Application recommendation | £2,000 |

Environment Fund applicant bid

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| Name & address of Applicant | Rushmoor Voluntary Services (RVS) |
| Grant requested (Total cost of project) | £5,000 (£27,640) |
| Purpose of grant | Towards the cost of the Blooming Marvellous project working with 28 residents in Rushmoor suffering with/recovering from mental illness. The grant will provide opportunities for clients to work on the allotment, tend gardens of elderly and disabled residents, improve community open areas and participate in a training programme to gain new skills and/or accreditations. |
| Previous grants from this fund | 2013 - £6,000 (towards cost of Blooming Marvellous project) |
| Distance from centre of runway (within 5 kilometres (3 miles)) | Yes |
| Other sources of funding for this project | £20,000 – Broadhurst Welcome Home Ltd £2,600 – RVS Donations from private garden improvements (£757 has been donated since April 2015 & ploughed back into project) |
| Accounts | Income - £599k (£278k is restricted) Expenditure - £566k (£283k is restricted) Balances - £427k (£34k is restricted) |
| Additional Info | The project is achieving three key outcomes: improving health and wellbeing, and quality of life; and making a positive contribution. This year the project is due to complete 60 private garden improvements (free of charge with some donations made). Six of the volunteers have found employment as a result of skills learnt on the project; eight volunteers have been introduced to further training and 43 sessions have been completed on community open spaces. The project is dependent on external funds. |
| Aim of organisation/group | RVS supports voluntary organisations and local people, and champions volunteering in the borough. RVS also manages Rushmoor Dial a Ride, RVS Home Help and Blooming Marvellous. |
| Application recommendation | £5,000 |

Guidelines

- 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 A310 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)
 - Within this 5 kilometre radius, is demonstrably and regularly affected by aircrafts travelling to and from Farnborough Airport
 - Will result in the improvement or provision of an outdoor facility or area that is accessible to the public and able to be enjoyed by the community as a whole
 - Is a community or environment based bid, projects may include: -
 - Green or open spaces
 - Natural habitats
 - Environmental improvements or outdoor play
 - Community projects with an emphasis on improving the local environment or outdoor education