

**Cabinet**  
**24 July 2018**

**Councillor Maurice Sheehan**  
**Operational Services**  
**Portfolio Holder**  
**Report No. COMM1806**

**Key Decision – No**

## **FARNBOROUGH AIRPORT COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL FUND**

### **Summary and Recommendation**

The Operational Services Portfolio Holder has considered two applications and has awarded £11,000, which Cabinet is recommended to approve.

### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 This paper seeks approval to award grants from the Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund to assist two local projects.

### **2. Background**

- 2.1 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.
- 2.2 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
  - 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

### **3. Details of Bids**

- 3.1 The Cabinet Member for Operational Services has considered two applications (Appendix A) and has made two award recommendations:

• Rotary Club of Aldershot	£6,000
• Friends of Basingbourne Park	£5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£11,000</b>

#### **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1 The Community Environmental Fund is currently £38,467. Taking the two applications recommended in this paper totalling £11,000 would leave £27,467 available for allocation.

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#### **Background Documents:**

Completed application forms - Appendix A

Environment Fund applicant bid							
<b>Name &amp; address of Applicant</b>	Rotary Club of Aldershot Army Golf Club, Laffan's Road, Aldershot GU11 2HF						
<b>Grant requested (Total cost of project)</b>	£6,000 (£8,000)						
<b>Purpose of grant</b>	To purchase a second hand electric milk float to be converted into a multi-purpose vehicle, primarily to replace the current 60 year old Christmas float trailer						
<b>Previous grants from this fund</b>	None						
<b>Distance from centre of runway</b> (within 5 kilometres (3 miles))	Within distance						
<b>Other sources of funding for this project</b>	£2,000 – own funds						
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<b>Additional Info</b>	<p>The project is to replace the 60-year-old Christmas Float trailer with an electric milk float. The current heavy trailer requires a four wheeled drive vehicle to tow it, and on board the trailer, there is a petrol generator for the music and lighting.</p> <p>By replacing, the float with an electric vehicle means there will be two less engines contaminating the atmosphere with exhaust fumes (the towing vehicle and the petrol generator). LED lighting will be used where possible and the vehicle's batteries will be sufficient to power the lighting and music. This will contribute to reducing noise pollution in Aldershot.</p> <p>The club often struggle to find drivers qualified to tow the current heavy trailer and turn it in some of the estates. This problem would be overcome with the new float as no towing is involved. It is the club's intention to make the display removable to enable the float to be used for other events in the year such as Victoria Day and Kids Out day.</p> <p>The major use of the electric float will be in December each year when the float travels the streets playing festive music. Each year the club collect around £10,000, which is shared with local charities and youth organisations, many of who help with the collection.</p>						
<b>Aim of organisation/group</b>	Rotary is an international service organisation, carrying out projects all over the world as well as in the local community.						
<b>Application recommendation</b>	£6,000						

## Environment Fund applicant bid

<b>Name &amp; address of Applicant</b>	Friends of Basingbourne Park Basingbourne Road, Fleet
<b>Grant requested (Total cost of project)</b>	£5,000 (£60,000)
<b>Purpose of grant</b>	Purchase and installation of play equipment for over 8s
<b>Previous grants from this fund</b>	None
<b>Distance from centre of runway (within 5 kilometres (3 miles))</b>	Within distance
<b>Other sources of funding for this project</b>	£2,000 – Tesco Bags of Help £1,500 – HCC County Councillor grant £1,000 – Co-op £40,000 – Fleet Town Council £2,250 – fundraising (secured) £5,000 – Church Crookham Parish Council (unsecured) £3,250 – further fund raising & grant applications (unsecured)
<b>Accounts</b>	Income: £3,208 Expenditure: £334 Balances: £9,694
<b>Additional Info</b>	<p>The Friends of Basingbourne Park are a community group who work to enhance the play park and woodlands in the area. The woodlands are a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation.</p> <p>The group works with local uniformed organisations and faith groups for conservation work, litter picks and community events such as wildlife walks, bat surveys, Easter egg hunt and Community picnics.</p> <p>Basingbourne Park has play equipment for under 8s but nothing new for the over 8s. About six years ago a second hand climbing frame was added, but parts of this are now broken and does not meet the needs of all over 8s who access the park and woodlands.</p> <p>The park is located near a secondary school and close to six infant and junior schools. The new equipment could benefit over 2,300 young people. This will provide something for young people to do, reducing anti-social behaviour and contribute to the overall health and wellbeing of the local community.</p> <p>Fleet Town Council supports the group, managing the day-to-day upkeep of the play park.</p>
<b>Aim of organisation/group</b>	The aim of the Friends of Basingbourne Park is to improve the park and woodlands for the whole community to enjoy and to provide community events.
<b>Application recommendation</b>	£5,000