

FARNBOROUGH AIRPORT COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL FUND

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATION

The Operational Services Portfolio Holder has considered one application and is recommending Cabinet approve the following award:

- **Oak Farm Preschool - £10,000**

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This paper seeks approval to award a grant from the Farnborough Airport Community Environmental Fund to assist one local project.

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 BID

3.1 The Cabinet Member for Operational Services has considered one application (Appendix A) and is recommending the following award:

- **Oak Farm Preschool** **£10,000**

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The Community Environmental Fund is currently £22,467. Taking the application recommended in this paper totalling £10,000 would leave £12,467 available for allocation.

Background Documents:

Completed application form - Appendix A

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Environment Fund applicant bid	
Name & address of Applicant	Oak Farm Preschool Ballantyne Road, Farnborough GU14 8SS
Grant requested (Total cost of project)	£10,000 (£23,000)
Purpose of grant	Sensory garden with canopy
Previous grants from this fund	None
Distance from centre of runway (within 5 kilometres (3 miles))	Within distance
Other sources of funding for this project	£500 – Cherrywood Ward Community grant (secured) £156 – Waitrose green token scheme (secured) £50 – Princes Mead Noah's Ark boat collection (secured) £10,000 – Co-op (unsecured) £2,294 – preschool fundraising (unsecured)
Accounts	Income £79,539 Expenditure: £83,248 Balances: £53,614
Additional Info	<p>The project is to create a sensory garden with a canopy so that the children have access to free flow play inside and outside all year round.</p> <p>Some of the children who attend the preschool live in the local Totland flats and do not have access to regular outside play. A number of children attending the preschool have extra developmental needs such as speech and language and behavioural problems. Having access to sensory garden throughout the year will be particularly beneficial for these children.</p> <p>In the sensory garden, there will also be space to grow fruit and vegetables so the children will learn where their food comes from. They will be involved with growing the produce and then eating it, giving them a sense of achievement and pride. The children will have opportunities to take seedlings home and families will be encouraged to grow them, which will offer new talking points and hobbies, with children sharing these experiences with the staff and children at preschool.</p>
Aim of organisation/group	<p>Oak Farm Preschool is a small committee-run charity preschool based in a deprived area of Farnborough.</p> <p>The Preschool aims to enhance the development and education of children by providing appropriate play and care facilities and family learning.</p>
Application recommendation	£10,000