

**TO: THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CULTURE, RESOURCES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
26 MARCH 2018**

**S106 CONTRIBUTIONS FARLEY WOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE
Director of Resources**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval for S106 funds for community facilities to be used to improve the Farley Wood Community Centre.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **That approval is given for expenditure of £8,460.76 of S106 social and community facilities contributions on improvements to the Farley Wood Community Centre.**

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Farley Wood Community Association would like to install a new type of flooring that is more suitable for physical activities in the small hall and improve the sound proofing between it and the main hall so that more groups can make use of the space.
- 3.2 This project will directly support three of the Councils strategic objectives,
- People live active and healthy lifestyles
Numbers of adults and young people participating in leisure and sport has increased
 - A clean, green, growing and sustainable place
Appropriate infrastructure development is completed to support housing growth including; Warfield Link Road, Coral Reef Junction, Jennetts Park, town centre
 - Strong, safe, supportive and self-reliant communities
High levels of community cohesion are maintained

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 None. To not make improvements to the small hall floor and the soundproofing between it and the main hall will mean that many groups will continue to not be able to make use of the small hall.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 To decide that this was the best way to spend these contributions, the Farley Wood Community Association and user groups were consulted. A number of the user groups said a new sprung floor in the small hall would enhance their activities.
- 5.2 The Centre Manager advised that they get many new enquiries for the small hall from physical activity groups, however, the current concrete floor with vinyl tiles is unsuitable for them, so cannot be used.
- 5.3 There is also an issue with noise pollution generated from the activity in the main hall, which leads directly from the small hall via a double set of doors. This also

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makes it difficult to hire out the small hall for any activities, so a set of acoustic curtains will enable more use of this space.

- 5.4 The S106 contributions to fund this improvement project come from social and community facilities contributions in the Binfield and Warfield ward, namely Crossways, St Mark's Rd contribution of £8,460.76 out of the total £12,533 available.

6 **ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS**

Borough Solicitor

- 6.1 The allocation of funding proposed in this report complies with the requirements of the s106 agreement.

The approval of the recommendation in the report falls within the decision making remit of officers in consultation with the Executive member pursuant to the Bracknell Forest Council Constitution November 2016 Part 2, section 6 paragraph 6.2 (a)(vi).

Borough Treasurer

- 6.2 The relevant financial information is included in the body of the report

Equalities Impact Assessment

- 6.3 Not applicable

Strategic Risk Management Issues

- 6.4 Not applicable

Other Officers

- 6.5 Not applicable

7 **CONSULTATION**

Principal Groups Consulted

- 7.1 Farley Wood Community Centre Management Committee and Bracknell Forest Council building surveyors. The ward members for the Binfield and Warfield ward have been consulted by the Executive Member for Culture, Corporate Services and Public Protection.

Method of Consultation

- 7.2 Through meetings and email

Representations Received

- 7.3 Incorporated into this paper

Background Papers

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