

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

22 JUNE 2016

REPORT OF HEAD OF COMMUNITIES & NEIGHBOURHOODS

THE SCOUTS- HOLWELL PASTURES PROJECT- COMMUNITY FACILITY GRANT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek members approval to award a Community facility Grant of £25,000 to the Melton Mowbray and District Scouts, to support their Holwell Pastures Project.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- 2.1 **Members approve the Business Case attached as Appendix C outlining a Community facility Grant of £25,000 to the Melton Mowbray and District Scouts in support of their Holwell pastures Project and include it into the capital programme for 2016/17.**

3.0 KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 Melton Mowbray & District Scout Council is the umbrella organisation for Scouting in Melton and has been active for over 80years. Their overall objective is to help young people enjoy new adventures, interact with others, gain confidence and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.
- 3.2. The funding being sought is to significantly improve the camp site facilities at Holwell pastures and make it more attractive location not only for Scouts but for a much wider range of community purposes.
- 3.3 Holwell pastures has two fields, a collection of old buildings along one side and a good size car parking area. Planning Permission has been granted for the significant work, which includes demolishing the old buildings and replace them with a 32m x 12m single storey wooden building on a brick base.
- 3.4 Full details of the work proposed and the business case developed by the group in support of this project are attached as Appendices A and B respectively. Appendix B is the Council's Community Facilities (Large Grants) form that was completed in the first instance, the costs indicated in the form have changed and Appendix A are more up to date.

4.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The project clearly has links into:-
- Helping to provide homes and environments that meet local needs.
 - Promoting equality of opportunity and encouraging strong, healthy and resilient neighbourhoods.
 - Enabling the most vulnerable to overcome disadvantage in order to live independent lives.

5.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Council’s Capital programme contains £40K allocated for the ‘Community facilities Grants Scheme’, should members approve this allocation; a recommendation will be sought from the Policy, Finance & Administration Committee seeking approval to carry forward the grants scheme into 2016/17.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS

6.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report

7.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY

7.1 There are links related to community safety and creating opportunities for young people to participate in other activities.

8.0 EQUALITIES

8.1 No Specific Equalities Impact Assessment has been undertaken, however, the faculties proposed will only positively impact on any groups.

9.0 RISKS

L I K E L I H O O D	A	Very High				
	B	High				
	C	Significant				
	D	Low		1		
	E	Very Low				
	F	Almost Impossible				
			Negligible 1	Marginal 2	Critical 3	Catastrophic 4

IMPACT

Risk No	Risk Description
1	Members do not approve the award of the Grant.

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10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE

10.1 No direct Impact has been identified.

11.0 **CONSULTATION**

11.1 The Melton District Scout Organisation has developed a Business case in support of the project (Appendix A) has been developed taking into account views from current users.

12.0 **WARDS AFFECTED**

12.1 All wards are affected

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Appendices: Appendix A – Business Case
Appendix B- Community Facility Grant Form

Background Papers: None

Reference: X/C'tees, Council & Sub-C'tees/CSA/2016-17/22-06-16/HR- The Scouts-Holwell Pastures
Community Faculties Grant.