

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Countryside and Rural Affairs
Date:	19 September 2019
Title:	Parish and Town Council Investment Fund: One4All – Application CG00019665
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the Parish and Town Council Investment Fund (PTCF) application from Pavilion on the Park (the Eastleigh Youth and Community Trust) with the reference CG00019665, entitled 'One4All'. Detailed information regarding the application as presented to the Rural Programme Board is included in the Summary Assessment Form attached as Appendix 1.

Recommendation

2. It is recommended that the Executive Member for Countryside and Rural Affairs approves the PTCF award of £29,600 to Pavilion in the Park to support the application as referenced above.

Executive Summary

3. The PTC Fund aims to support local partnerships and provide pump priming investments to pilot new innovative ways of working. Successful applications will need to demonstrate how they build resilience within a local community and in response to the growing pressure on County Council services.
4. This project will be delivered by Pavilion on the Park, supported by the Adults' Health and Care Demand Management and Prevention Team (DMPT). The Pavilion on the Park opened in 2008 and is managed by Eastleigh Youth & Community Trust, a charity formed by Cllr Godfrey Olson in 1962. They manage a growing team of volunteers and are seeking to address a

demonstrable local need to expand the support it provides in keeping those struggling with issues of failing health, loneliness and social isolation, connected and active.

5. The volunteers at Pavilion on the Park have pledged to devote a total of 2800 hours time over the two year pilot project, which together with own funds committed of £2000, totals a strong £22,720 in match funding contribution, equivalent to 43% of the project cost.
6. This application joins together HCC, local health professionals and the local community. The outcomes will be invaluable to Adults Services in being able to measure the benefits and challenges of this type of collaborative working, which is likely to be at the forefront of future plans for social care provision.

Contextual information

7. The PTCF was established in November 2018 to support working partnerships with Parish and Town Councils, and local Community Groups. The aim of the fund is to provide pump priming investments to pilot new innovative ways of working, building resilience within a local community, and responding to the growing pressure on County Council services. Applications are fully assessed and approved by the partnering HCC Service, in this instance the Adults' Health and Care DMPT (DMPT), and against the fund criteria (see Appendix 3).
8. Pavilion on the Park have worked closely with the local GPs practices, and HCC, and identified that whilst there is a keenness to increase social prescribing in the community, there is a known lack of community resources to refer into in the Eastleigh area. This project aims to deliver programs which address these gaps, allow social services, GPs and other agencies to refer directly into them and provide a valuable and trusted resource for the local community.
9. NHS England have identified seven key factors which increase the likelihood of an individual needing social care or support living their day to day lives. Some schemes are available across Hampshire which often deal with one of the seven factors in isolation, One4All seeks to be a one stop shop where residents can receive support for any or all of their issues as required.
10. For example, Eastleigh wards have the highest rate of falls in over 65s of any area in Hampshire, one of the lowest levels of adult nutritional awareness, and a higher than average rate of loneliness and social isolation making it the perfect area to pilot this one-stop-shop project.
11. A Project Co-ordinator will work together with an expanding group of volunteers to deliver a series of activities, courses and workshops based on

needs highlighted by HCC and Health Partners, as outlined in their Full Business Plan.

12. The project has gained strong support from DMPT, and from the Rural and Parish and Town Council Programme Board, as per the statements submitted in the summary form in Appendix 1.
13. The project is well supported by County Councillor Daniel Clarke and County Councillor Wayne Irish as local members for North and South Eastleigh, both of whom have provided written support for the project.

Finance

14. The PTCF was established in November 2018 with an availability of £500,000. The fund can offer both Capital and Revenue targeted investments to support to locally led initiatives which meet the criteria of the fund, usually up to £30,000 (see Appendix 3).
15. The total award sought is £29,600 in revenue funding to cover management, equipment and volunteer training costs for the two-year pilot.
16. Match funding has been secured through a contribution of £2000 from Pavilion on the Park's own funds, together with extensive pledged volunteer support with an equivalent financial value of £20,720.
17. Were the organisation to receive the full amount requested, this would leave £436,703 remaining in the PTCF account (pending 2 further applications also seeking approval with a combined value of £36,250, this would leave £400,453)
18. The proposed fund award has been broken down into two stage payments, £18,000 payable at the outset, and £11,600 payable after the first-year evaluation deadline.

Performance

19. The pilot project spans a period of two-years, within which are four evaluation deadlines. The programme of work has been clearly set out with measurable targets against planned benchmarks. Ongoing monitoring is planned ensuring regular updates to the Rural Programme Board and Adults' DMPT. These evaluated benchmarks will inform the successful second stage payment, as described above.
20. Review of the application's Full Business Case and Summary Assessment Form (see Appendix 1) was undertaken by the Rural Programme Manager and supported in principle by the Rural Programme Board and Head of DMPT.

Future direction

21. Both the County Council's DMPT and Health and Care Team recognise and support the value which this innovative approach could deliver for the Eastleigh community and its wider catchment. Close monitoring of the programme will be employed to ensure the targets are met. The ongoing review of delivery will inform the viability of further rollout across Hampshire to benefit a larger number of residents.
22. The Adults' Health and Care Department are currently in the design phase of a county-wide 'Connector Project' which seeks to link users of services to local projects, groups and charities who may be able to meet their individual needs and grow these services where required. The Connector Project has identified potential gaps in service provision for those who would benefit from a membership of a Community Shed. This proposal creates an opportunity to implement and measure the benefits of a pilot project to fill such gaps, which has the potential to be rolled out to other areas.
23. The 'NHS 10 Year Plan (2019)' placed significant focus on social prescribing in the community. Pavilion in the Park aims to use this two year pilot to measure and demonstrate proven effectiveness to position themselves for associated future funding from the NHS and Clinical Commissioning Groups.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	yes

Other Significant Links

Links to previous Member decisions:	
<u>Title</u> EMPR Report – Parish and Town Council Investment Fund.	<u>Date</u> 26/09/2018
Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives	
<u>Title</u> NHS 10 Year Plan (2019)	<u>Date</u> 07/01/2019

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents	
<p>The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)</p>	
<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

The project is expected to support referred members of the community free of charge, but also remains available to all members of the community, maintaining access to important services, and as such no negative impacts are anticipated.

Appendix 1.

Parish and Town Council Investment Fund 2019/20 funding assessment form

Organisation name:	Pavilion in the Park (Eastleigh Youth and Community Trust)
Project title:	One 4All
Project location:	Eastleigh and Nightingale Estate
Application reference	CG00019665
Total project cost:	£52,320
Amount requested:	£29,600
<i>Match funding – cash:</i>	Own funds committed £2,000
<i>Match funding - volunteer hours:</i>	(2800 hours volunteer time pledged for the pilot) £20,720
<i>Match funding - in-kind:</i>	
Match funding – total value	£22,720
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED:	£29,600

Eligibility checklist	Yes/No
Is the applicant a Parish or Town Council, or a Local Community Group, directly benefitting the local community, with clear management structure within its constitution or suitable governance/terms of reference?	Yes
Does the project/activity deliver against the scheme priorities (to build community resilience and ease pressure on HCC Services)?	Yes
Does the application have support from the local community and Parish/Town Council?	Yes

Project summary
<p>NHS England have identified 7 key factors which increase the likelihood of an individual needing social care or support living their day to day lives. Whilst schemes are set up across Hampshire which often deal with one of the 7 factors in isolation, it is uncommon that an individual will have just one of these factors, and One4All seeks to be a one stop shop where residents can be referred for one health factor, but where all of their issues can be explored and addressed.</p> <p>Pavilion in the Park have worked closely with the local GPs practices, and HCC, and identified that whilst there is a keenness to increase social prescribing in the community, there is a lack of community resources to refer into. With this project we aim to deliver programs which address these gaps, allow social services, GPs and other agencies to refer directly into them and provide a valuable and trusted resource for the local community.</p>

Pavilion in the Park intend to encourage identified people to participate in age/circumstance related activities - away from their homes providing local social interaction - which we believe is important if support is to be sustainable and of most benefit.

To ensure consistency and compliance we will appoint a 10 hour a week project co-ordinator. The first task will be to recruit a team of volunteer 'neighbourhood champions' who live within our specified target area, and who will receive training to be sensitively active in both helping to identify and if necessary, approach those that could be supported by our project.

HCC – officer feedback/comments (relevant Services)

Peter Stokes - Strategic Development Manager – Demand Management and Prevention

Adults Services have for some time been aware of the specific health challenges facing the residents of Eastleigh, with higher than average rates of falls, poor nutrition and isolation. Whilst there are services available to tackle these issues, they often only touch on one aspect and require multiple visits to multiple locations which can deter residents from seeking support.

A one stop shop trial, as proposed in this application, will eliminate many of the time, location and transport barriers which prevent residents from addressing their health concerns which, it is hoped, will improve their overall health and allow them to live healthy independent lives for longer.

This application joins together HCC, local health professionals and the local community and will be invaluable to Adults Services in being able to measure the benefits and challenges of this type of collaborative working, which is likely to be at the forefront of future plans for social care provision.

With an enthusiastic team of passionate volunteers already in place and a clear plan to grow these numbers further, this project has the ability to save Adults Services and the NHS significant resources by providing services which would otherwise require paid members of staff, whilst ensuring local residents have the chance to decrease their sense of social isolation and increase their connectivity to the local community. I fully support the application and endorse the benefits which are envisaged within it.

Officer comments and recommendation

Sam Jones- Rural Affairs Programme Manager

The proposal outlined in the Business Case presents an opportunity to trial a two-year, community led programme focussed on improving the health and well-being of some of the most vulnerable residents in Hampshire.

The programme has been clearly set out with measurable targets against planned benchmarks, with regular monitoring planned with updates to the PTC

Fund team, and Adults H&C. I'm pleased to see and support the two-staged payment approach, with a benchmark trigger to continue funding after 15 months.

Considering the above, and the match funding pledged through volunteer time, I would recommend (pending Local Member support) the organisation is awarded the requested £29,600, over the two-stage approach of £18,000 and £11,600 respectively.

Local Member comments

The project is well supported by County Councillor Daniel Clarke and County Councillor Wayne Irish as local members for North and South Eastleigh, both of whom have provided written support for the project.

Appendix 2.

Supporting information received from other organisations involved or impacted in this project/initiative:

- One Community – subsidised transport
- Eastleigh GPs – Parkside Practice and St Andrews Surgery, referrals for Social Prescribing are already being collated.
- Primary Care Development (South West) NHS West Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Omega House 112 Southampton Road, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO50 5PB

Appendix 3.

Eligibility and criteria of the Parish and Town Council Investment Fund

To secure investment from the Fund, the local partnership should ensure:

- They include representatives from both the relevant PTC/s or CG and the relevant County Council service
- The scheme will deliver measurable results against the priorities of the Fund
- The scheme has a project or business plan along with any additional documentation deemed necessary by the County Council service involved. For example, safeguarding measures for schemes engaging social isolation, or design standards for rights of way projects. Templates and support will be provided as necessary
- Clearly defined roles and responsibilities for all members in the local partnership
- Clear demonstration that without support from the Fund the scheme would not be able to proceed at all or to the extent outlined in the application
- Applicants with significant funds in place or higher levels of reserves must demonstrate why investment from the Fund is needed
- It is recognised that applicants will have varying levels of resources and reserves, therefore some flexibility will be permitted in terms of the amount of match funding required. Schemes will be assessed upon the value and financial saving the scheme will create to the community and in support of County Council services
- If the scheme is ongoing, how it will remain sustainable after the initial investment has been made
- An effective monitoring and reporting process are in place, including a final review of the benefits of continuing and/or variability of wider roll out of the scheme to more communities