

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	Executive Member For Communities and International Relations
Date:	4 November 2010
Title:	Funding request from the Test Valley Borough Council for a feasibility study for a youth project via the Hampshire Action Team (HAT) for Test Valley.
Reference:	2187
Report From:	Chief Executive

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1. Executive Summary

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to seek approval for funding of £3,500 to Test Valley Borough Council to carry out a feasibility study to accommodate the Youth in Romsey Project at the Romsey Sports Centre.

2. Contextual information

2.1 The funding request is to cover the costs of Architects to carry out full professional design and costings for the improvements necessary for Romsey Sports centre to be a suitable host venue for the Youth in Romsey Project.

2.2 The current location of the Youth in Bell Street, Romsey project is deemed no longer suitable with access issues for young people with disabilities.

2.3 The feasibility study will provide costings and design to inform an application for a capital bid to Viridor for the rebuild of the building.

3. Finance

3.1 The total funding allocation available to the Test Valley HAT is £55,000.

3.2 The amount remaining following previous successful applications is £37,500.

3.3 The amount of funding requested is £3,500 and the detail of the bid is set out in the application form accompanying this report (Appendix C).

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 The County Council has the power under Section 56 of the Local Government Act 1958 to make contributions to the expenditure of a District Council in Hampshire.

5. Monitoring

- 5.1 The intended outcomes of the project are outlined in the application form accompanying this report (highlighted in page 2).
- 5.2 A detailed monitoring report setting out the final outcomes of the project will be sent out for completion at the end of the project.

6. Other key issues

- 6.1 There are no other key issues to report.

7. Statements of Support

- 7.1 This application has the majority support of the Test Valley Hampshire Action Team Members and supports partnership working in the locality. No Members declared an interest when the funding bid was discussed at a Hampshire Action Team meeting on the 24 September 2010.
- 7.2 Senior Officers in the County Council's Children's Services Department are aware of this application and are in support of this project.
- 7.3 The Executive Lead Member for Children's Services, Councillor Perry, as a Test Valley Hampshire Action Team Member is fully support of this funding request.

8. Recommendation

- 8.1 That £3,500 of funding be awarded to Test Valley Borough Council from the Test Valley HAT Community Budget to carry out a feasibility study to accommodate the Youth in Romsey Project at the Romsey Sports Centre, for 2010/11 only.

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

- 1.1 Potential outcomes as a result of the work could benefit in young people living in the Romsey area having a suitable safe environment to meet and increase participation in physical activity and reduce childhood obesity.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1 The Youth Facility would provide positive activities for young people that may distract from taking part in incidents of anti social behaviour.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption?
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts?

There are no impacts arising from this report.