

Report to	Leighton -Linslade Partnership Committee
Subject	S106 Community Facilities – application for funding
Date of Meeting	6 September 2018
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1.Purpose of report

To consider two application for funding received from :
 Leighton -Linslade Town Council
 Leighton Buzzard Hockey Club

2. Introduction

Two applications for s106 community facility funding has been received from the above organisations. **£47,960.81** remains available for distribution.

- a) Leighton Buzzard Hockey Club **require £18,025** towards the costs
 - i) to dismantle and move a new clubhouse facility which is 15m by 12m and made up of 5 separate units.to Vandyke School.
 - ii) Groundworks to the site so that the clubhouse can be constructed safely and utilities set up to provide toilets, running water and electricity.
 - iii) Once the building is moved, it needs to be put back together again and the interior made functional once again.
 - iv) Once in place it will be clad the facility so that it is in keeping with the school's other buildings.

- b) Leighton Linslade Town Council **require £30,000** as part of a £300,000 refurbishment project for
 - i) the refurbishment of the kitchen facility updated to provide a clean, safe food preparation area and is vital in the success of any community building and
 - ii) community hall parts of the building which need updating and modernising and which is looking tired and unappealing to prospective hirers.
 - iii)

3. Background

The Committee requested greater influence over S106 funding and a grant scheme was established to distribute the S106 funds secured for improving / enhancing community facilities in Leighton – Linslade.

The funding available for generic investment is **£50,610.81 - £2650** which was approved to the 1st Leighton Scouts to provide disabled access. **£47,960.81** remains available for distribution.

It can be spent on the following types of projects:

- External improvements such as an extension or new roof.
- Internal refurbishment and improvements, such as a new kitchen / toilet facilities, windows etc.
- Improvements to access and security.
- Installation of a hearing loop or other similar improvements.

Routine maintenance such as painting and decorating cannot be supported.

4. Comments

Feedback from S106 officers and planning officers will be updated verbally at the meeting

From a Partnerships and Community Engagement perspective both applications are supported.

Hockey Club- the new community clubhouse facility will provide new opportunities for the Club to engage with the wider community and offer a much needed to the growing number of hockey players.

Pages Park- a new kitchen and hall as part of a bigger regeneration project will lead to more bookings and greater sustainability for the facility.

5. Conclusion

The applications fit the criteria and the investment will make a substantial contribution to community facilities in the town.

Appendix 1 : Community Facilities Application form (2)