



Portfolio Holder Decision Notice

Title of decision:	To award a grant of £10,000 to Potten End Cricket Club
Name of Portfolio Holder:	Portfolio Holder for Community and Regulatory Services
Name of Lead Officer	Niamh Thomas, Community Partnerships and Wellbeing Officer (Funding and Partnerships)
Proposed date of Decision to be made:	11 March 2022

If part 2, the reason:	
Decision:	<p>Potten End is a traditional village cricket club, located between Berkhamsted and Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire. While the official club records only date back to 1926, it is believed that the club was officially formed in 1910 and there was informal cricket in Potten End as early as the 1890's.</p> <p>In 2022, the club will have two teams playing in the Herts Saracens League on Saturdays; the first XI will play in Division 5B and the second team will be in regional Division A West. The club's Sunday fixtures are split between friendly games and some fixtures in the Chess Valley League (division 3).</p> <p>The club have applied to the community grants scheme for a grant as they do not have the funds to pay for the netting and installation in its entirety. They are contributing funds from their own resources as well as fundraising activities, and they have applied for grants from other funders, namely the English Cricket Board, Sport England, HCC Locality Funding and Hertfordshire Community Foundation.</p> <p>The proposed installation of safety netting will enable the club to host home games, both as part of leagues and friendly matches, while adhering to the requirements of the Parish Council.</p> <p>The application was assessed through the Community Grant Scheme, which is specifically set up to support Community, Voluntary, Arts and Sporting groups that benefit the residents of Dacorum. There are three</p>



rounds of Community Grant funding per financial year. Charities are invited to apply for funding and the applications are assessed by a panel of officers, who will be looking at how well it meets the criteria of the fund; whether the project supports the Councils objectives and how it supports the following five ways to well-being: be active, take notice, learn, give and connect.