

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Officer Decision Record

<b>Decision Maker:</b>	Nicola Horsey, Assistant Director Community and Regulatory Services
<b>Title:</b>	Change in purpose of grant to Westside Community Association

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### 1. The decision:

- 1.1. Westside Community Association was awarded £25,000 Community Buildings Capital Fund on 4 October 2016 towards an extension at the Russell Howard Pavilion.
- 1.2. The decision is to change the purpose of grant to support a revised capital project in two stages, converting an area into community space in phase one and then refurbishing toilets in phase two, subject to available funds remaining.

### 2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The proposals for the extension proved to be too costly when the Community Centre went out to tender and additional delays and costs were caused when surveys showed that much more work than anticipated would be required to bring services up to requirements for the additional use proposed.
- 2.2. The organisation has worked an external project manager appointed by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, which has awarded a grant of £130,500 towards the project, to identify an alternative proposal that could still deliver additional community space within the budget available. This alternative is to remodel, converting an area into community space in phase one and then refurbishing toilets in phase two, subject to available funds remaining.
- 2.3. Although the project has had to be amended, it still meets the object of the original proposal (to increase space available locally for community use) and will provide community benefit.
- 2.4. On that basis, it makes sense to change the purpose of grant to support the revised plans.

**3. Other options considered and rejected:**

3.1. None.

**4. Conflicts of interest:**

4.1. None.

**5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:**

5.1. None.

**6. Supporting information:**

**Approved by:**

**Date:**

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16 May 2019

**Nicola Horsey, Assistant Director Community and  
Regulatory Services**

**On behalf of the Director of Culture, Communities  
and Business Services**