

Appendix II.

Background or 'Project Specifics' – Application MF090/T2

To acquire essential grounds maintenance equipment for Dyfed Road Bowls Association in Neath North.

This bid has been developed to 'Assist Voluntary Sector providers' building upon the goodwill and time invested by a small loyal band of volunteers.

The funding will be used to purchase a Club Sprayer with the requisite supply of liquid fertiliser.

The new acquisition will help the Club keep grounds maintenance costs low and avoid the need to arrange for expensive hiring in of equipment or the loaning of equipment. There is a need to maintain high standards and the quality of the fine sports turf is important in maintaining a true and accurate playing surface. The state-of-the-art light weight sprayer will add to the arsenal of precision grounds maintenance equipment that the Club can deploy pre-season keeping the green adequately nourished, hence improving the standard of performance. This in turn will add to the enjoyment and further recruitment of the players.

The need for this initiative has come to the attention of the local Ward Member. The Club has been able to develop a new Pensioners Section over the last two years and this acquisition will help further consolidate and grow the offer of active participation, health and well-being.

The scheme has no further financial implications for NPTCBC as the Club has a fully insuring and maintaining lease on the green and its associated premises, the maintenance being vested in the Club. Equipment will be securely stored and insured.

Recommendations

The project is valued at £1,147.43, which is the full cost of procuring the equipment and the fertiliser. The Applicant, Councillor Mark

Protheroe would wish to fund the whole of this project, with a proportion of his remaining Members Fund allocation.

The project proposal is recommended for approval and financial support under the Members Community Fund.