



# Faversham Town Council

## COMMUNITY GRANTS APPLICATION

The Town Council wants to help local Groups who serve the community in Faversham.  
If you need assistance to complete this form please contact the office using the details on page 6

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Pitch and Facility Support</b>
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	<b>£864</b>

<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>Faversham Strike Force FC</b>
<b>Organisation Address</b>	<b>16 Edward Vinson Drive Faversham Kent ME13 8FD</b>
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<b>Contact Name</b>	<b>Lee Suter</b>
<b>Position Held in Organisation</b>	<b>Club Development Officer</b>

### 1. About the project you are planning

#### 1.1. What do you plan to do with the Community Grant funding you are seeking?

##### 1. 3G Pitch Equipment

We have a fully maintaining lease of the King George Playing Fields (The Mount) with a major asset being the 3G Artificial Grass Pitch.

The pitch is maintained by the volunteers who look after the pitch 4 hours a week over two sessions.

The pitch is used 7 days a week from 5pm-9:30pm Monday to Friday and weekends from 9am – 8:30pm for both training and matches. The pitch is used by players aged 5 up to our Walking Football sessions. The footfall on the pitch is 420 per week.

The life expectancy of the pitch is 10 years and we are entering year 9. Each season we ring fence a sinking

fund to ensure when the pitch is no longer suitable and does not pass the FA Pitch Test we can replace the carpet. However, the better looked after the pitch is and the more years on the FA Pitch Register the more sinking fund the club can achieve.

Recently we had a service on the pitch and while we were commended for our care of the pitch we were encouraged to purchase additional equipment to support the longevity of the pitch.

We would be grateful for financial support to purchase

Greensweep provides the perfect complement to the regular in-house maintenance of a synthetic surface.

The Greensweep is effective on synthetic it helps to clean large surfaces swiftly and efficiently.

The price for the GreenSweep is £1080.

## **2. New goals**

We would like to purchase new mini goals to support our Mini Bolts, Wildcats, and our new Special Educational Needs & Disabilities sessions.

The Bazooka Goals can be used for a variety of drills to help improve young people's enjoyment of the game with a focus on being active, social while improving accuracy and finishing. Quick decision making and first touch are the two areas that see immediate improvement to support the fundamental skills for young people to be physically active.

We would like to purchase 4 new Bazooka goals which costs £762.50.

## 1.2. How have you identified this need?

1. Technical Surfaces who service and test our pitch annually recently carried out works on our 3G AGP and while we were commended for our effort to maintain the pitch, it was recommended that purchasing the equipment would improve the surface and prolong the life of the pitch.
2. The goals will be regularly used by all teams but mainly by our Mini Bolts, Wildcats, and our new Special Educational Needs & Disabilities which will be over 100 young people every week.

## 1.3. How will you measure the success of your project?

1. Purchase and implementation of the equipment on a weekly basis while passing the next FA Pitch Register in July 2024.
2. Purchase goals and use in sessions every day.

## 1.4. What positive legacy will your project leave for future residents of Faversham?

1. The 3G AGP is a fundamental pitch and facility used by the club and the community we have 40 sessions throughout the week including our Mini Bolts, Women's team, Walking Football and 3 turn up and play sessions. The total number of teams using the pitch is  
  
At weekends the pitch is fully utilised for match play with competitive matches hosted on the pitch both on Saturdays and Sundays.  
  
Without the pitch we would not be able to run these sessions and provide facilities for the community to be active and social.  
  
The new equipment would mean we can prolong the life of the pitch for the community.
2. The goals will aid our commitment to the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation activities in Faversham through the provision of facilities for the playing of Association Football for all age groups, and with a particular focus on young people.  
  
The goals will support long term aims of advancing the lives of young people through help and education in Faversham through the provision of recreational and leisure time activities, provided in the interests of social welfare and designed to improve their conditions of life, which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities, helping them to mature as responsible individuals able to interact with adults, their peer group and the wider community.

## 2. Project Funding and Costs

### 2.1. Please advise of any other organisations you have asked to support your project and indicate whether any funding has been committed by these organisations.

<b>Organisation Name</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>Status</b> - Approved / Awaiting Decision or other support (non-financial)
Faversham Strike Force FC	£450	Approved
<b>Total - Other Funding Requested</b>	<b>£</b>	
<b>Total - Community Grant Funding Requested</b>	<b>£1442.00</b>	Should be the same figure provided on page 1
<b>Total funding required for your project</b>	<b>£1842.50</b>	

**2.2. Please provide a breakdown of your project's costs. Please note that this should be a breakdown of your total project costs**

<b>Expenditure (eg Equipment, Transport etc)</b>		<b>£</b>
<b>3G Pitch Equipment</b>	<b>£1080.00</b>	
<b>New goals</b>	<b>£762.50</b>	
<b>Total Project Costs</b> This should match the Total funding required for your project, above.	<b>£1842.50</b>	

**2.3. If the Town Council makes an offer less than the amount requested, how will the project cover the shortfall?**

We would make other funding applications and look to fundraise if needed.

It is worth nothing we have already spent over £2k in 3G pitch works and new goals in July while seeing a 5% increase in hire of other facilities.

We remain committed to keeping our membership fees low and affordable for everyone.

**2.4. What plans do you have in place to ensure that your organisation is not reliant on grant funding in the future?**

The equipment will come with a warranty of 10 years.

**3. About your organisation**

**3.1. What type of organisation are you? Please tick the relevant category:**

<b>Registered Charity</b>	<b>Yes</b>	Registration Number: 1189764
<b>Voluntary Organisation</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Limited Company</b>		Company Number:
<b>Community Group</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Other</b>		Please Specify:

**3.2. Briefly describe your organisation.** Describe your organisation, how many members/users you have, if you charge subscription fees and the usual activities/services you provide. If you are a new organisation please describe the activities/services you plan to provide.

We are a registered charity and 3 Star England Accredited Club who provide a safe, enjoyable, learning environments for all children and adults. This is underpinned by our policies and constituted structure.  
We offer training sessions and matches for all ages and abilities and teams compete in countywide and local leagues.

All coaches have FA coaching qualifications and are both First Aid and Safeguarding Children trained. All Club Officials have completed the criminal records check process, so you can be sure that all players receive the best possible support and care whilst they are with the club.

We currently have over 140 volunteers supporting 604 playing members from Year R through to our Senior Men's and Women's teams, who can play in one of our 40 teams which features 5 girls' teams.

In addition, we offer 3 turn up play sessions, Walking Football and Wildcats sessions (Girls only) to encourage all our community to engage with others and be active.

**3.3. Do you have a Constitution or Memorandum of Association?** Please state which and include a copy with your application.

**Constitution**

**3.4. What are your current sources of funding?** For example subscriptions, donations, sponsorship, fundraising, grants etc.

Membership joining fee of £20  
Donations between £10 and £16 a month.

**3.5. Projects working with children, young people or vulnerable adults must have a safeguarding policy.** If you don't have a safeguarding policy or relevant DBS checks in place you can still apply for funding but you will be required to put these in place before any grant is awarded.

**Do you have a safeguarding policy?** Yes

**Do your Staff/Volunteers have valid DBS checks?** Yes

**3.6. Depending on the nature of your project, you may require public liability insurance.**

**Do you have public liability insurance?** Yes

**3.7. Please provide the following details from your most recent annual accounts.**

<b>Total Income</b>	£
<b>Less Total Expenditure</b>	£
<b>Surplus / Loss</b>	£
<b>Savings (Reserves, Cash, Investments)</b>	£

**Please attach a copy of your most recent audited accounts with your application. If you are a new organisation please include a projected income and expenditure report for the next 12 months.**

**3.8. Any Other Information.** Please provide any other information which you consider to be relevant to your application.

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**4. Declarations**

**4.1. To be completed by a senior member of your organisation**

I confirm that I am authorised to sign this declaration and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all replies are true and accurate.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Mike Ellett</b>
<b>Post Held</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Signature</b>	

**4.2. To be completed by the person completing the application (must be different to above)**

I confirm that I am authorised to sign this declaration and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, all replies are true and accurate.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Lee Suter</b>
<b>Post Held</b>	<b>Club Development Officer</b>
<b>Signature</b>	

**5. Checklist**

- Have you answered every question?**
- have all signatures been completed?**
- Have you included a copy of your constitution?**
- Have you included a copy of you accounts?**
- Have you included any other relevant policies?**

Please submit your completed Application Form and Additional Documents to:  
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