



Andover Town Council

Item No.

To **receive** and **approve** a grant application from: Me & My Dad Club

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This application **complies** with the current grant policy.

Produced for: Full Council

By: Communication and Events Officer

Date of Report: 25 June 2025

Name of applicant Organisation:	Me & My Dad Club
Amount requested:	£500
Subject of application:	Dad Club Family Fun Day

Summary

Location of Project / Event:	Spring Meadow Children Centre
Date of project / event / purchase of asset:	16 th August 2025

Project description:	<p>It is our intention to run an additional / one-off family friendly event in reaction to the recent announced closure of the Long Meadow Centre provisions at the end of August this year.</p> <p>We understand that a significant contingent of residents in the area make use of the Family friendly provisions there, particularly those on low incomes who will be hit hard by the withdrawal of these provisions from 12th August 2025.</p> <p>As a result, we are proposing to run a one-off Family Friendly Event by making use of our own provisions, plus a few more to make the event something slightly different from what we already offer. As a result, the intention is for this event to NOT generate excess income for our club, but to enable a cost-effective solution to the gaps within our community provisions.</p> <p>Whilst we are providing our provisions and have access to our usual centre to run this, we see this as a stand-alone project which is separate from our usual club funding/ expenditure (Although will do for accounting purposes). We are hoping to raise our proportion of the costs via our usual methods of donations at the door, and the BBQ and stalls that we run. The intention is mainly to ensure the clubs finances are not impacted negatively by running this event, but we do accept that we may incur some liability should fundraising be limited. Should surplus occur, we will endeavour to re-invest the funds back to the community via a wider offering/ additional event, or even a donation to other local provisions such as ACE or the food banks etc.</p>
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Information supplied on the application form

Which groups of people will benefit	
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	Our group is focused on providing a cost effective and inclusive setting for dads and their children. The benefit will be a fun accessible day focusing on those on lower incomes.			
How many people will benefit	100-150 families (if not more)			
What evidence of need for the project, activity, event, equipment or service can you provide us with?	The closure of The Longmeadow Centre family provision is scheduled for 12 th August 2025. Our aim is to fill part of the gap with a one-off event which is affordable. Our regular sessions cater for around 50 families. As this is a one off, larger event we are looking to triple our usual service user numbers on the day.			
Total project amount	£1,000			
Financial breakdown of costs	Item	Cost	VAT	Total
	Bouncy Castle			£200
	Childrens entertainer			£150
	Face painter			£150
	DAISCO Hire			£200
	Food & drink			£250
	Prizes			£50
	Total project costs:			£1,000
Have previous grants been awarded by ATC	No			
Have all previous grant reports been received?	N/A			
Other Funding applied for:	Hampshire County Council are providing the venue free of charge.			
Are financial reserves and expenditure in line with ATC policy?	Yes			
Have all the other documents been received?	Yes			
Has insurance been checked?	Yes			

Has a Risk Assessment been received?	No
Are other licenses / permissions required?	No
Are other licenses / permissions obtained?	N/A
Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To receive and approve a grant application from: Me & My Dad Club • This application complies with the current grant policy.