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**Community Infrastructure Levy Community Projects - Shottermill Junior School**

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Dear Haslemere Town Council

I am the ██████████ at Shottermill Junior School and I have been passed your details by a local resident (██████████) regarding the Community Infrastructure Levy. As a school we offer our families and local community support networks that extend beyond the school day, however, due to decreasing budgets we are finding it difficult to meet the costs of running these services. There are a couple of projects that we are looking to secure funding for to help pay towards these costs - which may be applicable to the Community Infrastructure Levy:

**Maintenance of Polecat Field:**

Every year the school pays for the maintenance of Polecat Field so that our pupils and local community can enjoy the field during the spring and summer months. The costs pay for the mowing of the field from March - October. The annual cost for this is approximately £2,500 which the school pays from its budget - we do not receive any additional funding for this. I have tried negotiating with the National Trust as the field is owned by them, but unfortunately this has not been successful and if the school is to continue to use the field we must pay for the maintenance of the field.

**Running our Breakfast Club:**

We set up our own school breakfast club over 2 years ago which allows our pupils to come to school before the school day at 7.45am. The school is run by our own staff, and pupils attending the club receive breakfast made and take part in a range of activities before heading into class. The club is also open to those children who suffer from anxiety and allows them to have a 'soft' start to the day by mixing with a smaller group of children and having the support from our trained staff (staff running the breakfast club are trained in offering emotional support to children). Whilst the club is proving popular with our families, the school is not making any profit from the club due to the increase of cost-of-living expenses (food and energy). Meeting these additional costs whilst paying our staff to run the club are proving to be difficult. It costs approximately £10,000 a year to run our breakfast club.

I have applied for a number of grants to help pay towards these projects, however, as these grants are in huge demand, it is difficult to be successful. We have been allocated a Tesco Community Grant for the maintenance of Polecat Field (this can pay from £500 - £1,500 towards the project), which is currently running in the Haslemere superstore - which is amazing, however, this will only cover part of the costs. Any help in receiving additional funding towards either or both of these projects, will greatly benefit our school, pupils and families.

If you think that these projects are suitable for the Community Infrastructure Levy and would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below. In addition, you are more than welcome to visit the school to find out more about us and meet our pupils and staff. If this is something that you are interested in, please let me know.

Thank you for your time.

Kindest regards

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