Rent Support Assessment Process

Date of rent support assessment:	16.8.23
Carried out by:	Richard Gibson, Andy Taylor, Helen Down (information provided by Simon Hodges)
Name of Applicant:	1 st Hatherley Scouts
Is the applicant a legally constituted, not-for- profit voluntary and community sector organisation?	Yes
Name /address of property	The Scout Headquarters, Penrith Road, Cheltenham, GL51 3QB

Rent Support outcomes	Submission	Proposed score against the sub-elements (up to a maximum of 20% per outcome)
Cheltenham's environmental quality and heritage is protected, maintained and enhanced. This could include Promoting bio-diversity Responding to climate change Promoting sustainable living Protecting and enhancing parks, gardens and open spaces Protecting and enhancing the built environment	The Scout group provides educational and practical experiences to over 100 young people, including the value of recycling; litter picking in local parks; gardening in veg patches and planting hedgerows in the community. In the ongoing maintenance programme, the group has adopted LED lighting, improved insulation and installed a more sustainable source of heating.	Promoting bio-diversity – 4% Responding to climate change – 4% Promoting sustainable living – 4% Protecting and enhancing parks, gardens and open spaces – 4% Protecting and enhancing the built environment – 4% The recommended rent subsidy for this element is 20%
Sustain and grow Cheltenham's economic and cultural vitality. This could include:	The group has supported and made the hall available at cost to a newly established nursery group that provides care 4 days a week and employs several staff. The group delivers a range of culturally educational sessions, including understanding of different cultures and faiths. Recent examples include visiting the Synagogue and Thai cooking lessons.	Helping people into employment – 4% Helping businesses to get established – 4% Supporting cultural activity – 4% Providing advice and information Supporting tourist activities The recommended rent subsidy for this element is 12%

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People live in strong and safe communities. This could include	The group provides a place for over 100 young people to meet and feel safe by providing activities delivered by skilled and safeguarding trained volunteers. In addition to safe practices and education, the group is inclusive to all, and has recently rebuilt the entrance and pathways to be accessible for wheelchair users and people with limited mobility. Many members come from low income families, and the group provides funding to support young people ensuring social and economic barriers are not present.	Enabling local residents to meet together and socialise – 4% Engaging residents in positive social networks – 4% Enabling local residents to contribute their time and efforts into community activity – 4% Enabling local residents to feel safer in their communities A place for young people to meet and feel safe – 8% The recommended rent subsidy for this element is 20%, due to the significant opportunities provided for young people to meet and feel safe.
We will work to strengthen the emotional and physical wellbeing of all Cheltenham residents This could include: • Enabling local people to be active • Helping local people make healthy lifestyle choices • Reducing the harm caused by alcohol • Improving mental health • Improving health & wellbeing into older age	The group provides a wide range of physical activities young people, and in so doing helps them to understand the value of a healthy lifestyle. This includes practical education in the kitchen designing and cooking healthy foods. The environment created allows young people to express themselves and feel safe in doing so and this is vital outlet for some and key to preserving and promoting good mental health.	Enabling local people to be active - 4% Helping local people make healthy lifestyle choices – 4% Reducing the harm caused by alcohol Improving mental health – 4% Improving health & wellbeing into older age - The recommended rent subsidy for this element is 12%.
Summary and recommended rent support grant	The 1st Hatherley Scouts Group has demonstrated evidence of its role across the themes assessed against, in delivering activities and support to young people.	The total recommended rent subsidy is 64%.

Financial considerations	Panel assessment
Will the grant award will support the financial viability of the operation of the building?	As a charity youth organisation, every penny raised through fundraising and subscriptions goes into providing safe, adventurous and developmental activities for young people. These limited funds are spread thinly supporting activities and the ongoing maintenance of the premises. The grant award will help to maintain the ability to make a difference to the community.
Has the organisation got reasonable longer-term plans to sustain activities being delivered from the building beyond the term of the grant?	The Hatherley Scout Group has been at this location for 50 years, with a stable and steadily growing membership. There are currently over 100 young people in the group and an addition group is to be established soon.