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Organisation Type	Parish Council							
Ward	Ermine							
Project Type	Venue refurbishment							
Green option considered?	N/A							
NHC Councillor involvement that may constitute a conflict of interest	None known							
Previous financial support within six years	NA							
Documentation reviewed and	Safeguarding		Yes	Accounts		Yes		
approved*	Demonstrates clear governance		Yes					
Total applied for	al applied for £1,350 T		Total project cost £5,75			52		
Officer Summary								

Barkway Parish Council (BPC) planned internal and external refurbishment works to The Reading Room, fully funded by Parish Council reserves. The external renovation work, including installing an access ramp, has now been completed, however due to unexpected higher costs for these works they are requesting a grant to help with the internal refurbishment.

The requested funding would go towards display units to allow permanent display of local documents, materials and artefacts representing the history of Barkway.

Small local groups use the venue for meetings, and it is also frequently used by the Barkway Local History Group to showcase items of interest. The history group is a thriving community organisation and generates interest in local history and ancestry searches. The village contains a significant number of listed buildings and monuments with a rich and varied history.

BPC do not charge for the use of the venue, due in part to the venue not having a toilet and wishing to support local organisations.

The Parish Council are using reserves and a £500 donation from the Barkway Market to fund most of the costs for the inside refurbishment.

^{*}Funding will only be released on receipt and approval of all supporting documentation