

Report toDevizes Area Board

25th January 2016

Title of report Youth Funding Procurement of PAYP providers

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the listed procurement purchases of positive activity providers; using youth funding, as detailed below, together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

This is for ratification only at this Area Board because this expenditure was approved inbetween Area Board meetings, by the elected members, as per the delegated powers: That in respect of urgent matters that may arise, the Community Youth Officer, in agreement with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support youth projects from the youth budget of up to £2,500 in total between meetings of an Area Board. The decision and reasons why it was considered urgent will be reported to the next meeting of the Area Board.

The reason this decision was urgent was due to the fact that the academic year is already underway and planning for students needs to be in place well in advance. Also, this project needs to be secured in advance, it is a very popular initiative with limited availability for the coming terms in 2016. Therefore, there needed to be confirmed agreement and booking of this to enable it to take place in early 2016.

PAYP Provider			Amount requested	Area Board in-between meetings decision, as per delegated authority & LYN Management Group recommendation		
The	Mother's	Union	£255.00	Virtual baby project for Year 10's		
Diocese of Salisbury				Spring 2016		

1. Background

The recommendations from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards
- Procurement Policies and Guidelines http://thewire.wiltshire.council/index/service-areas-carolyn-godfrey/business-services-procurement/procurement-policies-and-guidance.htm

Young people have considered these and identified them as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Funding procurement process, through the Local Youth Network Management Group.
- 2.5. Councillors will need to be satisfied that procurement policies and guidelines have been adhered to.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

8. Safeguarding Implications

Wiltshire Council has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place; through its' procurement process, to safeguard children and young people. However, the Area Board needs to be satisfied that the providers being procured have everything necessary in place. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this and agreed providers meet safeguarding requirements.

9. Procurement of PAYP for consideration

Procurement purchase ID	Provider	Project Proposal	Requested
Procurement purchase ID number	The Mother's Union Diocese of Salisbury	To secure the provider to enable Devizes School to engage year 10's in a virtual baby project	£255.00

Provider (details of the PAYP provider): The Mother's Union, Diocese of Salisbury

Positive activity description

Short paragraph description of the project: 15 year 10 students both male and female will

engage in this virtual baby project to enable them to be responsible for an infant over a period of time, typically one weekend per student. These are virtual infants and are programmed, whereby young people must respond to their needs and care for them. This aims to highlight the responsibility of caring for a baby, the demands it places on the carer and to measure how the individual responds/cares for the baby. This project will be supported by volunteers from the community and Devizes School. Students will receive instruction and parents/carers will consent to participation. This costs £17.00 per student.

Explanation why chosen this supplier

Experienced in offering this programme and they are trained, have the resources and are local. They are used to working with the schools across Wiltshire too.

Recommendation of the Area Board and Local Youth Network Management Group, with any conditions

That this procurement purchase of a PAYP meets the youth funding criteria, meets the needs of young people identified in the recent needs assessment and is approved for the amount of £255.00.

That the Area Board ratifies this decision taken between meetings of the Area Board.

Background documents used in the publication of this report:

Quotation form (from the procured service provider).

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