

Report to	Chippenham Area Board
Date of Meeting	29 th February 2016
Title of Report	Area Board Funding

Purpose of the report: To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Community Area Grant No: 1626 Applicant: Christian Malford Sports and Recreation Association Project Title: Community Cricket Training Nets View full application	£6,000
Community Area Grant No: 1597 Applicant: Sutton Benger Rugby Football Club Project Title: New rugby goalposts View full application	£900
Community Area Grant No: 1670 Applicant: Yatton Keynell Recreation Association Project Title: Yatton Keynell Hall Revamp View full application	£10,000
Community Area Grant No: 1727 Applicant: Wilts & Berks Canal Trust Project Title: Restoration of Top Lock Pewsham View full application	£19,873
Community Area Grant No: 1730 Applicant: Ivy Wildlife Garden Project Title: Ivy Wildlife Garden cameras and tools View full application	£1,000
Digital Literacy Grant No: 1549 Applicant: Yatton Keynell Under 5s PreSchool Project: Bybrook Pre-school IT learning opportunities View full application	£746

Digital Literacy Grant No: 1739 Applicant: Rag and Bone Arts CIC Project Title: Filming equipment View full application	£739
Councillor Led Initiative Applicant: Councillor Mark Packard Project Title: Chippenham Games	
Area Board Projects and Councillor Led Init	£1,565

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the <u>Area Board Grants Guidance</u>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant 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.

If Councillors approve the applications contained in this report the balance of Chippenham Area Board funding will be:

Digital Literacy Funding: Balance £15

Community Area Grant Funding: £13,715

The Cabinet Member for Communities has confirmed that the balance of unspent funding 2015/16 will be carried over to 2016/17.

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

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Christian Malford Sports and Recreation Association	Community Cricket Training Nets	£6,000

Project Description:

To install new cricket net facilities in Christian Malford Recreation Ground

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves", Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- The project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board priorities "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"
- The applicant has secured support from Christian Malford Parish Council
- The applicant is working with Wiltshire Council Sports Development Team and Wiltshire Cricket to expand the cricket club, enhance the recreation facilities and encourage outdoor sports
- Wiltshire Council Sports Development Officer has provided the following comments:

- The project will provide the club with enhanced playing facilities which would attract both junior and adult members to the club
- We feel that there is strong evidence to suggest that Christian Malford would have the correct infrastructure to rapidly increase participation. In addition, there increase in creating both male and female opportunities heavily replicates the agenda of both Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire Cricket.
- It is apparent that Christian Malford Cricket Club is looking to build a sustainable, local club for all members within their community
- The Cricket Club will be able to generate new participants due to the improved infrastructure. This will offer both junior and adult members more opportunities to access training at the club opposed to travelling elsewhere. Both Wiltshire Cricket and Wiltshire Council's Sports Development team will be seeking ways in which we can attract new audiences to Christian Malford Cricket Club to ensure that they can increase participation throughout the club
- Officers are of the opinion that this project will help to deliver Chippenham Area Boards top priority to make "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and deliver wide community benefit; it would therefore be appropriate to make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000

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That the Area Board determines the application.

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TISU/		New rugby goalposts	£900

Project Description:

Provision of new rugby goalposts to enable Sutton Benger Rugby Club to continue to provide sporting opportunities for the local community. The existing goalposts were second-hand when acquired 12 years ago and have deteriorated into an unsafe condition as verified by the RFU Wiltshire Rugby Development Officer.

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves", Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- The project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board priorities "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"

- Match funding is not required for applications up to an including £1,000
- Wilshire Council Sports Development Officer has provided the following comments:

This project is a high priority for the club. After a recent inspection by the local Rugby Development Officer it was insisted that the current rugby posts were not fit for purpose and would not be allowed to use these for next season (September 2016). Therefore, the club would either have to locate an alternative venue or fold as a club.

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	_	Yatton Keynell Hall Revamp	£10,000

Project Description:

To revamp interior of Yatton Keynell Hall to create second multi-activity Hall with separate facilities and entrances allowing multiple users the ability to use the Hall throughout each day. This will be achieved by removal of internal walls and re-location of toilets catering for better disabled users' needs.

Comments from Community Engagement Manager:

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves" Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- The applicant has secured support from Yatton Keynell Parish Council
- Officers are of the opinion that this project will support the applicant's aspiration to create a second multi-activity hall with separate facilities and entrances allowing multiple users the ability to use the hall.
- Officers are also of the opinion that enhancing the existing well-used and popular facilities at Yatton Keynell Village Hall will be of wide community benefit and it would therefore be appropriate to make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>1727</u>		Restoration of Top Lock Pewsham	£19,874

Project Description:

Pewsham Locks is a unique heritage industrial site. There are three locks where boats laden with coal from Somerset Coal fields would have passed through on their way to the Thames and London 200 years ago. There is a rare shallow dry dock largely intact and evidence of a carpenters workshop saw pit and lime kiln. Top Lock is the first of the structures to be restored. It will be done using volunteer labour the local branch team who last year rebuilt a large brick culvert and some ex-service personnel from Help For Heroes helping them to rebuild their lives.

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves", Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- The project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board priorities "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"
- The applicant states that the local community will benefit from the restoration of the canal through their locality economically, environmentally and for recreation. Local school children have visited the site and have taken part in activity days. Education interpretation and audio trails are included in this bid. Restoration of the Wilts Berks canal is in the Wiltshire Core Strategy and the route is protected. At 4.8 restoration of the canal is mentioned as a solution to lack of green tourism. The majority funder for Pewsham Top lock is Dream Fund where led by the Canal River Trust the scheme is partnered by Help for Heroes and in association with the team at Tedworth house the project includes skills learning for their rehabilitation programme.
- Officers understand that the applicant is working in partnership with Help for Heroes and a full monitoring programme will assess the skills learning programme. Feedback is continuous from the local community from a number of sources including Wilts Berks Canal Trust stands at local events like the Chippenham Folk Festival . This so far positive feedback from local people also includes walkers and cyclists that pass the site on the North Wiltshire Rivers Route. From time to time this casual site monitoring is run in a more formalised way with questionnaires and WBCT is now developing an online survey system to open this to a wider cross section of the local community.
- Officers are of the opinion that this project will help to deliver Chippenham Area Boards
 top priority to make "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and deliver wide community
 benefit. Officers are also of the opinion that the restoration of the historic top lock will
 provide an attractive destination and enhance the applicant's efforts to promote the
 restored canal as a visitor attraction for the area; it would therefore be appropriate to
 make an exception and award more than the normal maximum amount of £5,000

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>1730</u>	Ivy Wildlife Garden	Ivy Wildlife Garden cameras and tools	£1,000

Project Description:

The Ivy Wildlife Garden has been created by local resident volunteers who have transformed an area of redundant green space on the Ivy estate. The garden has attracted numerous wildlife species and many residents visit it to learn about nature and enjoy the peace. We are looking to purchase some wildlife observation cameras and replace some of our ageing tools so the garden continues to improve and engage residents in volunteering and valuing the space. This project has galvanised the local community provided a neutral meeting space and stimulated numerous other community projects.

Comments from Community Engagement Manager:

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves", Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- The project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board priorities "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"
- Match funding is not required for applications up to an including £1,000
- Officers are of the opinion that this group has already demonstrated its ability to deliver valuable community projects. Most notably, the transformation of a previously redundant space into a garden for the benefit of local residents.
- The Ivy Estate is home to over 350 homes including over 200 flats that have no gardens the majority housing young families, the garden provides a valued space for the enjoyment of residents of all ages.

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ribaiu	Yatton Keynell Under 5s Preschool	Bybrook Pre-school IT learning opportunities	£746

Project Description:

We would like to apply for funding for 2 iPad tablets for use in the preschool. These would be multi used for online learning journals to enable more parental consultation to enable online tracking for children enabling the staff to monitor and progress children effectively. They would also be used for the children themselves in a number of ways from online learning to photography etc.

Comments from Community Engagement Manager:

- This application meets the current Digital Literacy Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves"
- No match funding is required

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>1739</u>	Rag and Bone Arts CIC	Filming equipment	£739

Project Description:

We have introduced our Theatre Makers Art sessions this year alongside dance for 7-10s and plan to introduce a drama session for 11-15s after Easter. The advertising is vital to maintain the photographing, recording and promotion in order to gain enough people to run and advertise our group.

The ability to film our own shows will enable us to make significant savings as we currently have to hire someone to do all of this for us. This equipment is vital to help us expand our offer to children and young people and to run smoothly and function well.

- This application meets the current Digital Literacy Funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves"
- The project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board priorities "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"

No match funding is required

Councillor Led Project	Project Proposal	Requested
	Chippenham Games 2016	£1,565

Project Description:

In 2012, the Chippenham Partnership of Schools worked in partnership with Chippenham Town Council to deliver a 6-day event for over 1000 children in the community area. Days 1-5 were targeted at Year 5 & 6 children, and day 6 at children with special education needs and/or disability (SEND); this sixth day was delivered at Hardenhuish School.

The Chippenham Games, a legacy event was delivered in 2013,2014 and 2015. Due to the success of previous events in promoting healthy lifestyles, transition into secondary schools, exit routes to sports clubs in the Chippenham area and the fact we also use Young Sports Leaders from the 3 secondary schools to lead activities, act as role models and experience the benefits of volunteering in the community we wish to repeat the event in 2016.

As it is our fifth year we need to purchase picnic tables, gazebos a PA system and staging as the current ones we have are either broken or in a poor state of repair. We also need to replace bunting and would like to give the children pedometers so they can record how many laps they achieve on the mini marathon which is always a talking point throughout the days.

- This application meets the current Community Area Grant Funding criteria for Councillor Led Initiatives
- This project demonstrates a link to Chippenham Area Board "Better Use of Outdoor Spaces" and "Improve Sports & Leisure Facilities"
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves", Outcome 5: People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities) Outcome 4 Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)
- This project aims to:
 - Address obesity in children in the Chippenham area which is above Wiltshire average
 - Improve the Health of Children and Young People
 - Increase levels of participation in sports and leisure activities
 - Encourage more young people to volunteer
 - Provide equal opportunities for children and young people (highlighted is the 10% increase in Child Poverty and Children in Need)

This project has secured support from Chippenham Town Council

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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