

Report to Trowbridge Area Board

Date of meeting 25th April 2016

Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group		
		recommendation		
Wiltshire Music Centre	£1700.00	The LYN MG Group wishes to recommend this project to the Trowbridge Area Board. The combined score for this funding grant was 75 showing that all members of the LYN MG group were impressed with this project and feel that it will have a benefit to young people with Special Educational Needs. It is based on a follow up project, which shows the needs in the local community. Some conditions to this funding would be recommended by the LYN to ensure it meets the aims of the youth funding grants.		

1. Background

The recommendation 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

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant 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 Grant Funding application.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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.

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

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 260	Ms Camilla Johns – Wiltshire Music	£7434.00	£1700.00
	Centre		

Project description

We are applying for support to deliver a Special Schools Festival in July at Wiltshire Music Centre. Following a programme of successful in-school music workshops in Autumn 15 we would like to bring children from up to 3 special schools together including Larkrise in Trowbridge to create music and perform on a professional stage. The autumn workshops involved music leaders working with 100 children aged 11 to 17 many with profound and multiple learning disabilities PMLD to support their wellbeing and nurture their skills through participatory music-making. We would like to extend the benefits of the work and encourage their motivation by bringing the children together to celebrate all they have achieved in front of parents and the community.

Funding:

The project is only asking for partial funding for this project to go ahead and has a level of grants and donations already in place. The project will cost more than the total amount of funding requested at present. Further conversation will be entered into to find out what will happen if they do not secure the additional funding required before the grant funding, if

approved at the Area Board is agreed.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1700.00, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The production of all the safeguarding policies / procedures required by Wiltshire Council.
- 2) To ensure a record of attendance to the provision for young people aged 13-19 years Old (up to 25 SEN).
- 3) The majority of the young people that attend live or attend schools in Trowbridge.
- 4) All workers have relevant DBS checks, and the correct ratio of workers to young people.
- 5) To ensure work is conducted to gather a valid evaluation for the project gaining valuable information about the needs of young people and supporting further projects with SEN young people.

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

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