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| Report to | Chippenham Area Board | |
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| Date of Meeting | 5 th September 2016 | |
| Title of Report | Area Board Funding | |

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

| Applicant | Amount requested |
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| Applicant: Off The Ground Project Title: Litter picking equipment storage super-bin for community use View full application 2038 | £934 |
| Applicant: Stanton St Quintin Parish Hall Committee Project Title: Stanton St Quintin Parish Hall disabled toilet refurbishment View full application 1898 | £4925 |
| Applicant: GreenSquare Project Title: College Green Parking View full application 2023 | £5000 |

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</u> <u>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.

The award of £1,195 on 2nd March 2015 towards a Communications Campaign and Toolkit has been rescinded. If Councillors approve the applications contained in this report the balance of Area Board Funding will be **£76,657 Capital** and **£1,195 Revenue**

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 | | | Requested |
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| 2038 | OFF THE GROUND | Litter picking equipment storage bin for community use. | £934.00 |

Project Description:

We would like to empower local volunteers to do informal litter picks by providing a super-bin which stores litter pickers with keypad access allowing people to spend whatever time they have when they can to pick up litter without involving the council by borrowing and returning equipment. These super-bins are very popular in parks and beaches and create an atmosphere of community spirit.

- This application meets the 2016/17 funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves"

- The applicant has consulted with the Local Highways & Streetscene Team regarding the style of super-bin and agreed a suitable location near Monkton Park offices.
- Chippenham Area Board recognised the efforts and positive impact of Off the Ground in October 2015 when the group received a Community Award. The group is now a well-established community group carrying our regular litter picking events in the town. The group is also keen to address the issue of preventing litter and is working with the Cabinet Member for Highways, Local Highways & Streetscene Officers and the Community Engagement Manager to implement other initiatives.
- Match funding is not required for applications for up to and including £1,000

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

| Application ID | Applicant | Project Proposal | Requested |
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| | Stanton St Quintin Parish Hall Committee | Stanton St Quintin Parish Hall disabled toilet refurbishment | £4925 |

Project Description:

This project aims to allow the refurbishment of the Parish Hall to provide a multifunctional space capable of fostering and strengthening a strong sense of community cohesion. Geographically located in the centre of the Parish the potential for the Hall to resume its role at the heart of the village through providing a warm comfortable and safe venue to hold community events and act as a hub for information and to encourage community involvement was recognised and a hard working Committee formed to realise this vision. Professional advice has been obtained on the condition of the Hall and urgent and essential works required.

- This application meets the 2016/17 funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves"
- This project is supported by Stanton St Quintin Parish Council. The Parish Council has made a financial contribution to the project.
- Officers are of the opinion that this project will support the applicant's aspiration to improve the facilities at the hall.
- If members are minded to award funding to this project, the award is conditional upon the balance of funding being in place.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

| Application ID | Applicant | Project Proposal | Requested |
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| <u>2023</u> | GreenSquare | College Green Parking | £5000.00 |

Project Description:

To provide additional parking spaces at College Green Sutton Benger. Additional parking spaces to be created on land currently designated as grass.

- This application meets the 2016/17 funding criteria.
- This project demonstrates a link to Wiltshire Council Business Plan "To support and empower communities to do more for themselves"
- This project is supported by Sutton Benger Parish Council. The Parish Council has made a financial contribution to the project.
- The applicant has secured agreement with the Integrated Transport Manager that once the parking spaces have been constructed, the applicant will "dedicate" the spaces to Highways; Highways will then take responsibility for ongoing maintenance.
- If members are minded to award funding to this project, the award is conditional upon:
 - o The relevant planning permission being granted
 - \circ $\;$ The balance of funding being in place $\;$

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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