

Report to Marlborough Area Board
Date of meeting 23 May 2017
Title of report Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider a councillor-led initiative requesting funding from the Area Board.

Applicant	Amount requested
Cllr Jane Davies	£496.80

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 [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2017/2018 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 and practice papers for [councillor-led initiatives](#)
- 2.4. Best practice advises that applications relating to young people or highways and transport should be considered by, and seek a recommendation from, the Local Youth Network or Community Area Transport Group.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Councillor led-projects are designed to enable councillors to tackle issues in their area, including projects and initiatives which have been initiated by the community e.g. a community issue. Councillor-led projects should not be used to fill gaps where there are service shortfalls or where it is possible for the matter to be resolved through the use of the Community Area Grants scheme.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure. The Community Area Grants scheme which funds Councillor-led initiatives can only provide capital funding.

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.

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 Name	Provider	Project Proposal	Requested
Warning signage	Wiltshire Police	Permanent warning signs at local beauty spots	£496.80
Project description For a number of years, Wiltshire Police has reported many cases (56 in 12 months to March '17) of theft from vehicles parked at local beauty spots. The vehicles often belong to visitors to the county who come to see local places such as West Woods, Hackpen Hill or around the World Heritage Site at Avebury. See attached report from Wiltshire Police. Whilst police do put up warning signs about this problem, they are often pulled down, presumably by the thieves. To stop this happening and provide a permanent warning to all people leaving their vehicles at these locations, Wiltshire Police wish to put up 24 new permanent, metal warning signs across the Marlborough Community Area. See Appendix two for locations. This will cost nearly £500 and Wiltshire Police are seeking financial support to purchase this signage for the Marlborough Community Area Several neighbouring area boards have already supported Wiltshire Police by funding new signs for their community areas.			
Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Cllr Davies for £496.80			

Background documents used in the publication of this report:

Quotes/estimates for this proposal are contained within attached report from Wiltshire Police.

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