

Report to	Southern Wiltshire
Date of Meeting	01/06/2017
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

1. Purpose of the report:

- a) To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
- b) To provide an update on the positive activities programme delivered by Go Active, Boomsatsuma and Any Body Can Cook.

Youth Grants

Application	Grant Amount
Applicant: Winterslow Scout Group Project Title: Equipment Storage Project	£1000
Applicant: Whiteparish youth Group Project Title: Paid Youth Worker for Whiteparish Youth Group	£1320
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£2320
Total amount allocated so far	£0

2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2017/18 financial year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2017/2018.

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

Community Youth Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

3. The applications

Applicant: Winterslow Scout Group
Project Title: Equipment Storage Project
£1000

This application meets grant criteria 2017/18.

Project Summary: Winterslow Scout Group is a popular vibrant group with 60 attendees plus leaders & helpers at Beaver Cub Scout & explorer levels. Children & Young People aged from 6-24 take part in the full range of Scouting activities and as well as learning useful skills they have fun extend their friendship circles raise funds for local good causes & hold/support community events - they contribute to village life. All levels meet weekly at the Methodist Church Hall & use the Hall for equipment storage. However the Hall is used by other Community Groups as well as the Church & space is limited. An area immediately adjacent to the Hall has been identified as a space to position a suitable storage shed which would solve the current storage problems & additionally & importantly allow the Young People to be more independent in accessing/responsible for equipment. A funding contribution towards the purchase & siting of the shed is requested.

Input from CEM:

This was deferred from the last meeting in March 2017 as the applicant was not there to answer questions. This meets our criteria and provides facilities for the group to operate more effectively.

Applicant: Whiteparish youth Group
Project Title: Paid Youth Worker for
Whiteparish Youth Group

Amount Requested from Area
Board: £1320.00

This application meets grant criteria 2017/18.

Project Summary: Applying for funding to pay a Youth Worker to run our Youth Group in Whiteparish on Friday evenings from September 2017.

Input from CEM:

This application meets our criteria and provides support for our voluntary led youth clubs in Southern Wiltshire.

4. Update on positive activities programme:

Boomsatsuma creative update 17/05/2017

No. sessions

- 17 music sessions have been delivered by music practitioner Yan Webber.
- Three sessions have not been used but will be allocated before end of year.

- Four dance sessions have been delivered by dance practitioner Bryony Pickup so far.

Highlights

Music sessions with Yan have been a real highlight. It's been great to bring Yan back in to lead the sessions as they young people are coming to know and trust him. He's been able to adapt the sessions to requests of the young people. The groups have been writing and performing songs and learning about the music industry. All in all very positive,

Yan said:

"It has been a pleasure running these workshops and I honestly feel that they have sparked an interest in making music in many of the youngsters who attended."

"I was told by a Mother that her children had talked of nothing but the sessions and couldn't wait for this one"

Go Active:

Youth clubs attended:

- Winterslow (approx. 15 to 20 participants each week) 4 sessions so far
- Whiteparish (approx. 15 to 20 participants each week) 2 sessions so far
- Downton (approx. 15 to 20 participants each week) 2 sessions so far
- West dean (approx. 10 12 participants each week) 2 sessions so far

Sports delivered so far:

- Dodgeball
- Fencing
- Zorb games
- Urban Polo
- Ultimate Frisbee

As the lighter evenings are now upon us we will be delivering some new and exciting sports for the young people to try, including Battlezone Archery, a new sport which is a mix of Archery and dodgeball!! We anticipate it to be a real hit!

Throughout the year the children have been a delight to coach and to see them try new sports with a great attitude and behaviour and showing great teamwork.

Highlights:

Zorb games have been the highlight for all the youth clubs, all the young people are so excited when they arrive to see the Zorbs, the sport is by far the most popular.

We are starting Old Sarum this week due to them only being open every other week and finding evenings that Boomsatsuma were not booked in for, we are offering longer sessions for them so we ensure they receive their allocated hours.

Any Body Can Cook:

We have all sessions booked at all the youth clubs except Downton who we are liaising with at present.

To date we have had an average of 12 young people at each session.

We have made a selcetion of savoury and sweet recipes including chow mein, pancakes, fajitas, pasta.

We are collecting names each time we are attending so we can apply for the AQA units for those who have participated and will use all the allocated funding for this as take up has been so good. We will not be applying until September though as they can then use the registration for the whole academic year 2017-18.