

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Trowbridge Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>17 March 2010</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Area Board Projects</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To consider 3 Area Board Projects (Appendix 1):

1. Councillor Steve Oldrieve – Street Survival Packs - £750 requested
2. Councillor Jeff Osborn – College Estate Community Garden - £750 requested
3. Councillor Steve Oldrieve – Paxcroft Mead Action Park - £5,000 requested

**Total Requested = £6,500**

## 1. Background

1.1 In addition to the Community Area Grant Scheme, Area Boards may wish to use a proportion of their funding for projects which fall outside the criteria of the Community Area Grant Scheme. These projects would be initiated by Area Board members for consideration and approval by the Area Board.

1.2 As stated in the Cabinet report:

In considering requests the Area Board will need to bear in mind the impact this will have on the amount of funding available to support applications from local community groups and organisations.

1.3 The Cabinet Report stated that any project initiated by a Councillor outside of the Community Grants system must have the approval of the Area Board and should clearly set out one or more of the following:

- Evidence of community need
- Clear links to the community plan
- Evidence that it addresses an on-going issue that has been logged via the Community Issues System

1.4 Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £77,592 for community area grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. Plus £1,863.96 has been returned to the Area Board. To date £65,552.93 has been allocated from this budget. **This gives a current remaining total of £13,903.03 available to allocate at 17<sup>th</sup> March Area Board meeting prior to any Community Area Grant applications being awarded**

<b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trowbridge Community Area Plan</li></ul>
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## 2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to consider whether the applications meet one or more of the following:

- Evidence of community need
- Clear links to the community plan
- Evidence that it addresses an on-going issue that has been logged via the Community Issues System

## 3. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

3.1. Area Board Project bids 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.

#### **4. Financial Implications**

4.1. Funds allocated must fall within the budget allocated to the Trowbridge Area Board. There is £13,903.03 left within this budget. There are 8 x community area grant applications to be considered at 17<sup>th</sup> March meeting totalling requests of £16,735

#### **5. Legal Implications**

5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

#### **6. HR Implications**

6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

#### **7. Equality and Diversity Implications**

7.1 Implications relating to individual grant applications, if applicable, are outlined within section 8 "Officer Comments".

#### **8. Officer Comments**

8.1 Both the College Estate Community Garden and the Paxcroft Mead Action Park bids could potentially be submitted by the relevant community groups as Community Area Grant applications at a subsequent Area Board meeting

<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 Project Bids</b>
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