

## Chippenham Area Grant Report

### Purpose of the Report

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Chippenham Area Board. These could include:
  - community area grants
  - youth grants
  - older and vulnerable people grants
  - area board initiatives
2. To document any recommendations provided through sub-groups.

### Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2023-24	£ 33,527.00	£ 30,500.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 10,185.00	£ 11,195.12	£ 2,997.58
Current Balance	£ 23,342.00	£ 19,304.88	£ 4,702.42
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 7,068.02	£ 11,055.88	£ -43.08

### Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG1310</a>	Community Area Grant	Chippenham pride CIC	Chippenham Pride CIC	£10000.00	£5000.00

**Project Summary:**

The main purpose and mission statement of our event is to reach out to the small villages surrounding our town to let people of all ages, genders, races & sexualities know that they are not alone. To do this we need to advertise. This will come in the form of door-to-door flyers, radio and newspaper adverts, street banners and posters. All of this comes at cost even with the providing companies giving us discounted rates. This is the main purpose of our funding application.

<a href="#">ABG1391</a>	Community Area Grant	Yatton Keynell Recreation Association	Solar PV and storage for Yatton Keynell Village Hall to improve resilience and reduce emissions	£15000.00	£5000.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Add solar panels and a power storage battery facility to Yatton Keynell Village Hall with the aim of reducing our carbon emissions and allowing us to operate off grid for up to 24 hours This project will: - Reduces our carbon emissions on a long term basis - Help to keep regular users of the hall safe in the event of short power outages (which we experience regularly) - Add resilience to the village hall in the event of a bigger infrastructure issue affecting the wider community. In this event, the village hall could act as an emergency safe space and host essential services. - Initiates the formal development of a Community Emergency Plan, which the YKRA committee has begun as a prerequisite for this project.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1411</a>	Community Area Grant	Chippenham Men's Shed	A Planer Thicknesser for our New Workshop	£1790.00	£895.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Earlier this year CMS leased premises for their much-needed workshop and are in the process of completing the restoration and kitting out of the workshop. We expect to have this up and running by end of November 23 albeit without some key pieces of equipment for which we are seeking funding. In this case it is a planer/thicknesser. This is a key piece of equipment in any woodworking shop but, even more so to us, as we take old wooden items and repurpose them into new items.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1427</a>	Community Area Grant	Ivy Wildlife Garden	Ivy wildlife Garden repairs and improvement	£500.00	£500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>The woodchip paths have been in use for some years and need renewing. New fencing is to be built by volunteers as will the proposed new raised planters. The latter will allow easier access for the less able visitors.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1439</a>	Community Area Grant	Chippenham Uniform Exchange	Equipment for our new premises	£713.29	£500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>We have secured funding to enable us to move to a new permanent premises in order to continue to grow and expand our school uniform recycling scheme. We now require more storage equipment to furnish the new premises, to manage the increased volume of uniform and to organise our uniform more efficiently. We seek funding towards this capital purchase to support our move and get our new premises ready to open to the public.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1447</a>	Community Area Grant	Chippenham Mens Shed	Rotavator and Strimmer for Chippenham Mens Shed Allotment	£478.98	£478.98
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Chippenham Men's Shed have the additional facility of an allotment located at Crickets Lane. We need to replace a very old second-hand petrol rotavator that no longer works or starts very well. The allotment does have a communal rotavator but is huge, very heavy, and not suitable for older persons to use. Our allotment backs onto a deep ditch and we also would significantly benefit from a small manageable battery powered Strimmer for keeping the grass down here.</b></p>					

<a href="#">ABG1461</a>	Community Area Grant	Chippenham Sports Club	Facilities heating provision and public walkway and drive lighting for public safety	£7800.00	£3900.00
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**Project Summary:**

We provide social and sports facilities for all our sporting sections across all age groups and a wide range of sports. In addition, we provide space for several community groups (e.g Fit steps, Sit fit Pilates classes, baby and toddler classes and much more) in Chippenham to meet the needs of their members. In doing so we are committed to ensuring that all our users accessing our site are safe, warm and secure. As part of that commitment, it is important that we can provide heating for warmth to our visitors as well as a safe footpath that is well lit for the darker nights. We currently only have heating in our main hall and not in other areas such as the meeting room, changing rooms, lounge area and entrance. We are really looking to create and inclusive warm space for members of the community, some of which come here as their only source of heat. Improved lighting on the entrance road to the Club's facilities will provide security and safety not only to our members and visitors to Chippenham Town Football Club but will make this roadway safe for those in the community who use it to access Sheldon School, for dog walking, running, cycling and other exercise along towards the Donkey Field path.

<a href="#">ABG1355</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Heritage Trails Project	Heritage Trail Walking Leaflets	£3325.00	£415.60
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**Project Summary:**

Back in early 2019 the Heritage Trail Project approached both the Corsham and Chippenham Community Area Boards for grants to support the development of a series of eight Heritage Trails to encourage the local community and visitors to appreciate the historical environment and experience the natural beauty of our North Wiltshire countryside. Since then, the Project has delivered the eight way marked Trails, improved the Public Rights of Way, with the assistance of the Cotswold Voluntary Wardens and Northwest Wiltshire Ramblers, and has had three print runs of the eight Trail leaflets totalling 48,000 leaflets. We are now down to our last box of each of the eight Trail leaflets, approx. 360 of each. We believe the continued delivery of these of Heritage Trails aligns well with both the Chippenham and Corsham Town Council Strategic Plan to promote health and wellbeing. Especially over the pandemic years when the Trail leaflets have enabled our communities to explore their local environment due to the necessary travel restrictions. In addition, the project has supported both directly and indirectly several other organisations and programmes that include, but not limited to: Walking for Health, Corsham Walking Festival, Walkers are Welcome (Corsham is a member of this Association and the Heritage Trails have been mentioned and commented on in the last three annual returns) and the Cotswolds National Landscape. Therefore, we would like to apply for funding for an update to the trail's information and a third print run of 2000 leaflets for each of the eight trails. We have obtained costings from Pear Tree Studio's for the printing which comes to £3325. The breakdown of funding is proposed below: Heritage Trail Project - £153 Cotswold National Landscape, Wardens Countryside Fund Grant (yet to be applied for) - £1000 Corsham Town Council - £509.50 Leaving £1662.50 to be split between grants from the CABs of: Corsham CAB - £1246.90 Chippenham CAB - £415.60 The CAB figures are based on that  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the leaflets are linked to the Corsham CAB and  $\frac{1}{4}$  are linked to the Chippenham CAB.

<a href="#">ABG1371</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Sheldon Road Methodist Church	Community meals	£3996.00	£500.00
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**Project Summary:**

to help pensioners and family's cope with the financial crises, due to inflation and increased food and heating costs, we are offering free meals to those in need in the community and providing a warm and friendly space. We will also provide a sign posting service to other charities and organisations that can help.

<a href="#">ABG1401</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Doorway Wiltshire	Football Project	£3491.00	£1745.50
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Doorway runs a weekly outdoor football group for people who are experiencing or who are at risk of homelessness in North Wiltshire. Before Covid the players used the Ladyfield Church Hall to play in, but since then we've benefitted from using Sheldon School's outdoor all weather practice pitch. Numbers have increased since we've moved, and we now see around 6-9 men and women every week, and there's been a noticeable improvement in fitness levels. Doorway joins the Kandu Arts Football Tournament every year, usually being knocked out in the first round, but this year they reached the quarter finals and received medals for the first time. Our football group improves physical and mental health, gives confidence to marginalised people and helps with community integration.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1441</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Chippenham Rugby Football Club	Chippenham RFC Mixed Ability Team Cavailleurs	£10500.00	£5000.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Setting up a new playing section at the club to enable players that are returning from injuries, new SEND and disabled players, retired senior players, people who have never played rugby and players that can't afford to injure themselves due to their day-to-day jobs to play mixed ability rugby at a friendly local club. Mixed ability rugby: 2 teams of 15, playing a competitive game of rugby (but with uncontested scrums). Each team consisting of 15 players of different size and shape, each with a unique skill sets. Area Board funding requested as follows: £2500 from Older and vulnerable people fund and £2500 from 13-19(24 with disabilities) fund.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1383</a>	Youth Grant	Art Bytes managed by dot art Services	Art Bytes is Championing Creativity in Chippenham	£39500.00	£936.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>Art Bytes is a national EdTech programme that utilises a bespoke, immersive, virtual gallery to give young participants the opportunity to see their art exhibited online and engage with new technology from the safety and convenience of their own home or school. It builds confidence and nurtures talent, allows children and young people to see galleries as places "for them" and encourages future cultural engagement. After a shortlisting panel and an online public vote, the winning artist from each school sees their work displayed in our virtual gallery. Art Bytes culminates every June with a celebration event at a high-profile cultural venue in each of the nine regions of England, which is also available to schools to stream in the classroom or assembly. National and Regional winners are announced, certificates and prizes are presented, and the virtual gallery goes live. The competition is open to all primary (year 5), secondary (year 9) and SEND schools across England. In Chippenham we are providing an extension of our Celebration Event, in partnership with Chippenham Museum and The Arts Society Wessex, with a physical exhibition of Year 5 and Year 9 pupils art, alongside art workshops and a cultural visit to the Chippenham Museum. Last year, we hosted a similar Celebration Event at the Neeld Hall, however this year we are proud to have The Chippenham Museum as our cultural venue partner for the South West! We had Major Declan Basely present the certificates at the event with additional support form the Wiltshire Area Board to fund three secondary schools to participate in Art Bytes.</b></p>					

<a href="#">ABG1385</a>	Youth Grant	Sheldon Road Methodist Church	Heals and Sheldon Road Methodist Church Summer and Autumn youth programme	£4627.00	£2313.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>We take disadvantaged and behaviorally challenging youngsters out for the day or evening to create community and teamwork. We have taken them to the pantomime the previous two year's and this gone down very well an experience none of them could have done without our finance and volunteer commitment. We have taken them to the zoo three years running, this expands their knowledge of the world wildlife in an engaging and fun way. We take them on a demanding and challenging activity each summer, which helps build their confidence and teamwork.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG1395</a>	Youth Grant	Chippenham Sports Partnership	CHIPPENHAM OLYMPIC and PARALYMPIC LEGACY GAMES	£5000.00	£2500.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>The event is a legacy event and has been used by Wiltshire Council in the past to provide a template for other areas. It involves all the secondary and primary schools in Chippenham including Silverwood specialist school and impacts about 700 young people. It involves approx. 120 14-18-year-olds as young leaders and targets 13-18 year olds from Silverwood. It is an event over 2 and a half days and brings together all ages and is totally inclusive. The young leaders that have volunteered benefit because it fosters teamwork, discipline, and resilience. <a href="https://we.tl/t-BnoCSkoqtG">https://we.tl/t-BnoCSkoqtG</a> ..... please copy this into your browser and watch a video of CG 2023</b></p>					

## Background

3. Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.
4. Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:
  - Community Area Grants (capital)
  - Youth Grants (revenue)
  - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

## Main Considerations

6. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young person's funding guidelines have been adhered to.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

## Safeguarding Implications

9. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

## Public Health Implications

10. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

## **Environmental & Climate Change Implications**

11. 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.

## **Financial Implications**

12. Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

## **Legal Implications**

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

## **Workforce Implications**

14. There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

## **Equalities Implications**

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community-based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

## **Proposals**

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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