

Report to	Tidworth Area Board
Date of Meeting	January 2012
Title of Report	Participatory Budgeting for Youth Initiatives Funding

Purpose of Report

To consider 3 applications seeking Youth Initiatives funding from Tidworth Area Board

- 1. Zouch School- Outdoor learning area for science discovery, £1,000**
- 2. Everleigh Parish Council and Young People - Enhancement of Village Playground, £820**
- 3. Ludgershall Youth Centre- setting up a football team, £970**

1. Background

1.1. At its meeting in July 2011 Tidworth Area Board agreed to a proposal from the Community Area Manager to determine applications for this year's youth initiatives funding totalling £6,228 using the principles of Participatory Budgeting whereby those attending the area board meeting in Jan 2012 make the decisions on which projects are supported.

1.2. The criteria for applications to the fund (up to a maximum of £1,000) is set out below.

- Project ideas must come from young people themselves,
- Young people should be actively involved in drawing up project plans
- Projects should have adult supporters
- Projects should show benefits for young people in one of the following areas- leading healthier lifestyles, keeping physically healthy, learning new skills, enjoying recreation and leisure, making a positive contribution, access to transport or services, challenging bullying or discrimination
- Young people should present their project ideas to the Area Board in January 2012
- Young people should be involved in deciding how to evaluate their project
- Young people should be involved in working out costs and benefits

1.3. Those present at the area board meeting will be enabled through the use of hand held electronic voting devices to score projects against the criteria set and then to give an overall score. Projects scoring more than 50% of the total vote will be funded.

1.4. Three applications have been received as shown below

a. Zouch School

- The project is for the development of an area of outdoor learning for science discovery.
- The project is being led by the school council (20 pupils).
- The school council is working with a 'learning through landscapes' facilitator to visualize how the outdoor learning area will be developed over the next five years.
- The project will enable young people to learn scientific concepts through play, promote positive play experiences and lead to the development of deduction and reasoning through active learning.
- The project will be supervised by the school Science Co-ordinator.
- Costs include solar powered fountain- £500, Pond £500, safety equipment £500.
- The school will provide match funding.
- Surveys will be completed before and after the project to explore the benefits.

b. Everleigh Parish Council and Young People

- The project is to enhance the village playground with additional play equipment for teenagers- a streetboard.
- Young people have worked with the parish council to generate ideas for how to improve activities and facilities for young people and this piece of equipment

was identified.

- The project will enable young people to develop physical agility, improve social skills and interaction and promote healthier lifestyles through exercise.
- The capital cost of the equipment is £820 which is the amount applied for.
- The equipment will be installed by parish councilors and young people, to promote team spirit and an attitude of self help and keep costs down.
- The success of the project will be gauged by measuring how many young people use the facility and their satisfaction with it.

c. Ludgershall Youth Centre

- The project is to set up a football team for Ludgershall Youth Centre, to train with a coach and compete with other youth clubs/youth teams.
- The project idea came from young people at the youth club and young people themselves have submitted the application.
- There will be approximately 20 young people in the football squad
- The project will take place in Ludgershall and the surrounding areas throughout the football season.
- The project will benefit young people in terms of improving their fitness levels, football skills, ability to work as a team and to engage in an enjoyable activity.
- The youth development service will help young people to manage the project.
- The amount applied for is £970 which covers the cost of team kit, footballs and bag, hire of coach/trainer
- Youth club members will contribute to the costs of hiring pitches and transport to matches.
- The project will be evaluated through a questionnaire, coach evaluation and a written report at the end of the 10 session pilot.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Youth Initiatives Funding Application – Zouch School Appendix 2 Youth Initiatives Funding Application – Everleigh Parish Council Appendix 3 Youth Initiatives Funding Application – Ludgershall Youth centre

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