'You Decide' - Summary of Projects Requesting Funding

1. Junior Netball Club in Devizes - request £2,000.

We want to set up an academy to provide talented young players in the age group 12 – 16 with additional netball training, leading to entry into regional under 14 and under 16 tournaments. The training will take place on indoor courts and will be led by two of our young qualified coaches supported by adult coaches. The academy will also give juniors opportunities to develop as coaches and umpires. The academy would take place once a month for two years and would be open to talented young players from within Devizes Netball Club aged 11 and above. We would use the grant to pay for almost all the costs of the courts, equipment and coaching so that all players would be able to attend, regardless of their income.

There are several reasons why we believe the academy will be beneficial to young players in Devizes. Firstly, we would like talented young players to be able to have access to the same opportunities that players in other areas have. Secondly, we have also observed that there is a large drop off in the number of girls playing netball at around the age of 12 or 13. We believe that the academy will encourage girls to continue playing sport by providing more opportunities and a clear pathway to success as well as good role models in more experienced players. Thirdly, we would like to offer opportunities for young coaches and umpires to develop their skills. Finally, we believe that there are many health benefits to playing sport, both in terms of fitness, good mental health and self-esteem, as well as transferable life-skills.

ITEM/ACTIVITY	COST
Coaching per session: 2hrs@£20 (L2 coach); 2hrs@£10 (L1 coach) - £60 x 20 sessions	1200
Cost of court hire: 2 hrs@£35 -£70 x 20 sessions	1400
Less £30 per session contribution from players - £30 x 20 sessions	(600)
Total Cost of Project	£2000

2. Wrestling in Rowde - Request £1,290

The youth club members are very involved in active sports games and have said they would very much like proper instruction. The funding will be used for tuition from a qualified instructor for a wrestling course for ROWDE youth club. Also two fun sumo suits are to be purchased.

ITEM/ACTIVITY	COST
8 sessions of tuition at £80 per hour / 3hour sessions	£1,840
Two padded sumo suits @ £36 each	72
Total Cost of Project	£ 1, 912

3. Develop the wildlife area at Southbroom School – request for £2,000

We would like to develop an existing boundary of trees which run alongside one side of the school into a wildlife play area. We have lots of trees like Horse Chestnut, Oak and Sycamore but the path around them is really messy and overgrown. We would like to make it accessible for all the school to play in and discover the wildlife that lives there, we have already seen signs of rabbits, moles and foxes. We would like someone to come and help us put up bird boxes and explain to us the different wildlife that is there, our teachers have suggested Wiltshire Wildlife Trust. We would also like to have a fire pit as we have learned about this as part of our Forest Schools work. We have started doing some fundraising in school as we also want to have a building called an eco lodge that will show us how solar/wind power generates electricity and that is going to cost a lot of money. It would be great to invite children from other schools and the community to show them our wildlife area.

Item	Cost
Wiltshire Wildlife Trust (4 days @£225)	£900
Bird boxes / Ladybird shelters	£250
Bee Hive & wildlife seeds	£100
Benches	£250
Fire Pit and fencing	£500
Total Cost of Project	£2,000

4. Mixing in Potterne – request £1,270.87

We want to work towards playing a DJ set at the end of a set period. The new dub step scene has inspired several young people to take up mixing. Everyone wants to mix and produce songs and to learn how to MC/rap to the music. It will also provide us with something to do in the evenings and keeps us out of a cold bus stop were we normally hang out.

We are all happy to tutor other young people once we have been taught our selves. We all would like to learn to MC, RAP, and Scratching .Someone is donating one mixer, so the equipment below would give us two sets of equipment to work with, plus what we own ourselves.

Street based youth workers from Devizes met this group of young people in Potterne. Through exploring they likes, wants and needs they identified they would like a space to do DJing and took part in a workshop in the Devizes centre in the October half term. They would like to get some equipment for themselves, have some additional tutoring and then pass on the skills to others

ITEM/ACTIVITY	COST
Stanton SMX 202 Mixer	£64.99
Numark NDX-200 CD Turntables x 4	£516
Sennheiser HD-201 Headphones x 2	£31.90
Shure PG48 Microphone x 2	£66.00
Logitech Z523 Speaker System 2	£141.98
Lighting & PA Hire for event	£200
Venue Hire	£150
Publicity materials	£100
Total Cost of Project	£1270.87

5. All weather table tennis in Cheverell Magna – request for £598

I noticed the lack of table tennis tables in my area, so I have pitched an idea to the local Parish Council on having one put in the play park outside the Pavilion. This would be set up in the spring and it would benefit the community as, if there was a facility like this, people would use it and enjoy it. A recent report by Sports England said that, of all the sports leading up to the Olympics, table tennis was growing the fastest. I would send you Photographs once the table had been completed. Once the table has been up for a month I would like to encourage the regular use of the table by setting up a league.

ITEM/ACTIVITY	COST
Cornilleau pro 510 static table	598
Total Cost of Project	£598

6. Environmental Project at Devizes School – request for £600

We are planning to further develop the conservation area of the school to educate the students about the environment and encourage wildlife into the school grounds. We will be developing different habitats, building nest boxes and creating outside classrooms. We will use lesson time to develop the space and then show staff and students around to see the possibilities for enhancing the curriculum in different subjects. We will create displays and use the School VLE to keep students up to date with progress. We will then present in House assemblies to publicise the space and its uses

This is part of an on-going project which has been passed from one year group to another with each one adding a unique bit to the whole development. It will be our second year of work in the area. It is our intention to get the area to a point to allow all students in the school to benefit from this special space by the end of the year. There are many students and staff who do not even know it exists.

ITEM/ACTIVITY	COST
Materials for bird boxes and benches	£300
Seeds, bulbs and plants for wildflower and sensory areas	£200
Expert advice from Wiltshire wildlife	£100
Total Cost of Project	£600