

Report to Salisbury Area Board
Date of Meeting 18 Sept 2014
Subject Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report:

To consider 1 applications for community area grant funding, totalling **£958**

A summary of the applications together with the Community Area Manager's recommendation is set out below.

Application (and amount requested)

Salisbury Farmers' Market Signage	£958
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Total requested:	£958 (capital)
Prior to consideration of these applications the Area Board's discretionary fund balance stands at:	£45,385.13 (capital)
If all applications are approved as recommended the Board's balance will be:	£44427.13 (capital)

1. Background

- 1.1. Salisbury Area Board has authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to it by the Cabinet Member for Community Services. Under the terms of the delegation Area Boards are required to follow the Community Area Grant guidance and funding criteria.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.4. A decision was made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce the volume of paper used. However, the applications are all available to view on the [Wiltshire Council web site](#) and hard copies can be made available upon request.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded satisfy the [criteria set by the Council](#) and are made to projects that can proceed within a year of the award being made.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the project will support the continuing growth of Salisbury Market, a major tourist and retail offer in the City.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Financial provision has been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8	Salisbury Farmers' Market	Signage	£958

8.1. The Salisbury (Wednesday) Farmers' Market is a long established venue for local producers to sell their own grown, reared and made products. Over the years competition from local food outlets has steadily grown making it more of a challenge to remind people when this market is on and encourage them to support it. It is the only farmers' market in Salisbury which is run by producers for producers.

8.2. Better signage should improve support for the market to the benefit of the traders who represent local and rural businesses. Salisbury as a whole will also benefit - a vibrant market offers business opportunities to local producers and a strong visitor draw. It also connects customers with food production whilst helping to retain the quality of the surrounding countryside which is so important for locals and visitors alike. The market run by producers for producers sets it apart from other markets in the town.

8.3. This application meets the Council's grant criteria.

8.4. The total cost of the project is £958.

Background papers:	Grant Application – Salisbury Farmers' Market
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