

Report to	Salisbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	14/07/2016
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: South Wilts Grammar School for Girls Project Title: Salisbury Athletics Track Improvement Programme View full application	£15,000
Applicant: Salisbury Hockey Club Project Title: New club training equipment View full application	£5000.00
Applicant: Salisbury Rotary & Chamber Community Group Project Title: Salisbury Rotary Website View full application	£1420.00
Applicant: Salisbury Rotary & Chamber Community Group Project Title: Salisbury Contemporary Craft Heritage Festival View full application	£4000.00
Applicant: Salisbury & South Wilts District Scout Council Project Title: Salisbury South Wilts Scouts Minibus Replacement Project View full application	£5000.00
Applicant: Harnham Day Centre Project Title: Harnham Day Centre Exercise Classes View full application	£600.00
Applicant: Friends of Harnham Slopes Project Title: Friend of Harnham Slope FOHS- tree surgery View full application	£2000.00

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2016/2017 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

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.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

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

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1604	South Wilts Grammar School for Girls (SWGS)	Salisbury Athletics Track Improvement Development Programme	£15000.00

Project Description:

SWGS is looking to refurbish and improve its existing athletics track that is in need of repair. This will include laying a new base, a full resurface, the addition of specialist disability fixings and the relocation of a throws cage. Making these improvements will improve the experience of existing users and will also allow City of Salisbury Athletics and Running club to attract new members. As part of this project community access at the track will be increased from 2 to 7 days a week allowing the club to meet demand and to develop new targeted participation opportunities. The total project cost is £110k, and a bid was submitted for nearly 50% of these costs from Sport England – the initial stage of this application has been confirmed as successful. The total requested from the area board is £20,000.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Wiltshire Council's Sports Development team is supporting the school and the Salisbury Athletics & Running Club in the submission of this bid and of other bids that make up the full £110k application. The bid is supported by a detailed business plan. The Local Youth Network Management Group has considered this application and its recommendation to contribute £5k was approved by the board in January 2016. The remaining £15k is sought from the area board's Community Area Grants budget. A decision in principle to contribute the £15k was given in January and the board is now asked to confirm that in principle decision, in the knowledge that the lottery bid has successfully passed the initial stage of the application process.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines this application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1628	Salisbury Hockey Club	Purchase new equipment	£5000

Project Description:

The club has an ever growing participation in hockey around the local area. To help the club give better quality coaching it would like to get more equipment to aid this. It would benefit both adults which is over 180 strong and junior section with over 200.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Hockey is growing in popularity and the club is a popular sporting facility. The Local Youth Network Management Group has considered this application, and subject to confirmation regarding the total number of 11-19 year olds who benefit from it (and how much this is in proportion to the overall usage), and information on how the club facilitates youth engagement for those who may need financial assistance to use its facilities, it agreed that a 40% contribution from the Youth budget could be justified.

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That the Area Board determines this application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1790	Salisbury Rotary & Chamber Community Group	Salisbury Rotary Website	£1420.00

Project Description:

Salisbury Rotary Club has a very basic website. With the growth of the Community Group on which there are Board members of FSB BID and Salisbury Chamber the number of events now run by the group under the Rotary umbrella to raise money for local charities is significant. The Rotary website therefore needs a significant upgrade in functionality to enable amongst other things a calendar of events to be visible with a drill down facility to fuller info plus a booking and payment facility. This will help us hugely saving administration time along the way.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The significant upgrade effectively equates to the building of a new website, which justifies the need for capital funding for this project. This rotary group is responsible for a number of community events which happen in the city annually. These events are very positive in bringing the community together in large numbers. However the events (and therefore a role of the website) are designed to raise money for third parties, i.e. local charities – this is a function which cannot be funded by the community area grants process. However, a contribution can be made to the new website itself.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1791	Salisbury Rotary & Chamber Community Group	Salisbury Contemporary Craft Heritage Festival	£4000.00

Project Description:

Although the Board has generously supported the craft festival the last two years there are a number of significant changes to the offering which have required additional resource being spent on it by volunteers to ensure that it can happen. The amount requested is lower than in 2015 and reflects the original aim to move the festival to being self-funding by 2017. We believe that Wiltshire Council would also want to continue supporting this growing event along with the City Council Salisbury BID and others especially as we have secured prestigious funding from Arts Council England to provide an expanded Arts Programme over 2016 and 2017 called Craftivate. There is also a significant increase in the involvement of youth with free entry to all local schools and teachers as well as workshops being run with several schools and charitable organisations.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This is a popular local event which draws significant numbers of the public to attend. The applicant makes clear that this will be the third consecutive year in which the board has been asked to fund this event, on the basis that the event will be moving towards self-funding in 2017. Significant changes have been to the event this year, including the emphasis on increased youth engagement. The Local Youth Network Management Group has considered this application and recommends that £1.2k of the Youth Budget be put to this event.

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1891	Salisbury & South Wilts District Scout Council	Salisbury South Wilts Scouts Minibus Replacement Project	£5000.00

Project Description:

We aim to replace our existing minibus. This is to ensure our minibus is safe and reliable and to avoid the inevitable extra expense in servicing and maintenance which goes with the increase in age.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This organisation has been made aware of the new community minibus facility available at the Health & Wellbeing Centre, and will be using this this month. However, going forward, having a vehicle of its own is regarded by the organisation to be by far the only way of providing transport for its members and is the most convenient and cost effective method to ensure it can carry out its adventurous programmes.

The new minibus will be available scout groups to use following one phone call at any hour. This accommodates the volunteer leaders and drivers who may have to make changes to itineraries and programme plans at the last minutes through their own circumstances or that of their members. If the organisation were reliant on other mini bus schemes, this would not be possible and therefore its activities could be curtailed.

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1961	Harnham Day Centre	Harnham Day Centre Exercise Classes	£600.00

Project Description:

Gentle Exercise and Stimulation sessions by professional tutor for Day Centre guests. We hope that having appreciated the worth of the classes the guests would be willing to meet the cost in future years. There would be two sessions per month twenty four in the year. There would be 15 - 20 people at each session.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This is a bid for revenue funds, and therefore the Health & Wellbeing budget would be the source of funds for this project. The board is asked to note the similarities between this application and that of the application from Dance 60 also on this agenda.

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1991	Friends of Harnham Slopes	Friend of Harnham Slope FOHS- tree surgery	£2000.00

Project Description:

Professional tree surgery is needed on Harnham Slope to improve the existing viewpoint aspects and thinning of overcrowded coppice to allow better light ingress.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This bid contributes to the overall objectives of the Plan for Harnham Slope which is co-ordinated by a local community group and involves partnership working with Wiltshire Council and the city council. Part of the slope in question is on city council land and part is on Wiltshire Council land. All parties are agreeable to and in support of this application.

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NB: Councillors are also asked to note that the funds for the following bids approved in 2014/15 have been transferred to the BID for them to utilise as part of their programme of works to refurbish benches and signs in the city centre.

- Refurbishment of historic street name plates - £750 (approved Nov 2014)
- Works to street benches - £500 (approved Jan 2015)

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

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