

Report to	Calne Area Board
Date of Meeting	04/10/2016
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report

To ask the Area Board to:

1. Note a decision taken under delegated authority as listed below

Councillor Initiative	Amount requested
Councillor: Christine Crisp	
Project Title: Display equipment for the Community Hub	£82.98

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 <u>Area Board Grants Guidance</u>

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 applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.
- 2.4. Calne area board has agreed to prioritise three themes from the Joint Strategic Assessment, which had been highlighted at the 'What Matters to You', event held in 2014. These were to:

- Increase employment opportunities (especially through initiatives like apprenticeships and work experience) and social activities for and in consultation with young people.
- o Recognise and address child poverty and childhood obesity.
- Build a positive reputation for Calne Community Area to attract more visitors to venues and events.

3. Councillor Initiatives

In addition to CAGs and digital literacy grants councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle sticky community issues and/or community identified priorities. Cabinet has emphasised it does not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls.

4. 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.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. The extraordinary Area Board meeting of 30th August 2016 will be the third opportunity to consider community grant applications in the 2016/17 financial year.
- 5.2. Applications will be considered at each area board meeting of the year, while funding remains:

6 December 2016	Deadline for receipt of applications - 8 November 2016
7 February 2017	Deadline for receipt of applications - 10 January 2017

- 5.3. In 2016/17 the Calne Area Board has been allocated a budget of £40,661 capital funding. In addition the Area Board has rolled forward £15,919 from the 2015/16 financial year. This gives a total capital budget of £56,580.
- 5.4. Following financial decisions made at the extraordinary area board meeting on 30th August 2016 the current balance is **£36,429.19**
- 5.5. Following the delegated decisions noted under this report, the remaining capital balance is £36,346.21

6. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

7. Human Resources Implications

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

8. 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.

9. Safeguarding Implications

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

10. Proposals for consideration

10.1.

Councillor:	Requested
Christine Crisp	£82.98

Project:

To provide display equipment (A frames and leaflet holders) to help the Community Area Partnership to promote activity in the new Calne Community Hub and Library.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This project links to all of the current area board priorities, but most specifically towards building a positive reputation for Calne Community Area to attract more visitors to venues and events.

The Area Board is asked to note that, in line with authority delegated to the Community Engagement Manager, in consultation with the Chair of the Area Board £82.98 has been allocated from the Area Board community budget.

Proposal

That the Area Board notes this delegated decision.

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

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