

Report to Malmesbury Area Board
Date of meeting 09.11.2016
Title of report Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Lea Village Hall	£1396.20
Sherston Pre-School	£1000

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 available here: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-area-grants-criteria-2015-16-april.pdf>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/areaboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2015/2016 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
ID 2142 (hyper link)	Lea Village Hall	Replacement Village Hall Doors	£1396.20
<p>Project description The current double entrance doors to the village hall are old wooden been repaired several times and swell badly in bad weather making opening them very difficult. We have agreed as a Committee to replace them with composite doors and frame to benefit all those who use the hall. Agreement has been sought from the Parish Council and Wiltshire Council Building Control and Planning have been consulted as required.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: Upgrading community facilities in our rural villages is vital to secure the future of the buildings. Updating these doors will improve the buildings efficacies, security, and reduce the cost of ongoing maintenance.</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Lea Village Hall for £1396.20</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 2150 (hyper link)	Sherston Pre-School	Seed Fund	£1000
<p>Project description: Following the closure of busy hands preschool in Sherston a committee has been formed to assess the viability of taking forward a new preschool in the village. This will Include a purpose built setting offering excellent childcare and education through extended hours and with excellent Links to Sherston primary school. We are currently working alongside the primary school parish council and our local community engagement manager all of which are strongly in support of this venture. If successful the preschool would not only be a safe and fun place for local children to begin their education but would provide a smooth transition through to primary education. It would also be an employer of local people. This would further boost local economy and provide career opportunities in a rural setting.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: A group of passionate community members have come together to form a new Pre-School for the village of Sherston, as the previous closed earlier this year. This resource is vitally needed in this community and many families were left without the support of a pre-school this September. The new community group are working with parents, the primary school and parish council to secure its new future.</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Sherston Pre-School for £1000</p>			

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

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