

Report to Calne Area Board
Date of meeting 6th December 2016
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding and procurement listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Grant Applications:

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Young Futures	£4999	Recommended 53/60
Bromham Youth Club	£1200	Recommended 53.5/60

In respect of urgent matters that may arise, the Community Engagement Manager, following consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support youth projects from the youth budget of up to £5,000 in total between meetings of an Area Board. The decision and reasons why it was considered urgent will be reported to the next meeting of the Area Board.

1. Background

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards
- Procurement Policies and Guidelines <http://thewire.wiltshire.council/index/service-areas-carolyn-godfrey/business-services-procurement/procurement-policies-and-guidance.htm>

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.

2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

2.5. Councillors will need to be satisfied that procurement policies and guidelines have been adhered to.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1 Youth 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

4.1 Financial provision had 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 Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

8. Safeguarding Implications

8.1 The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

8.2 Wiltshire Council has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place; through its' procurement process, to safeguard children and young people. However, the Area Board needs to be satisfied that the providers being procured have everything necessary in place. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this and agreed providers meet safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Youth Futures	Launch2 Learning	Young Futures	£4999
<p>Project description</p> <p>This project works with young people at risk of becoming NEET (not in employment, education or training) those who are currently NEET and young people whose lives and potential are being blighted by cyber bullying.</p> <p>With young people who are at risk of becoming NEET, they are working with John Bentley School to refer young people for extra academic support in Maths and English to enable young people to meet the C grade needed to access apprenticeships and college. These places are targeted at young people who would be restricted financially in accessing additional tuition.</p> <p>The second part of the project, running throughout the year works with local businesses and the NEET teams to start young enterprise projects which enhances their numeracy and literacy skills. The project</p>			

last year helped to develop the idea of this project to make it more successful and sustainable. The young people themselves helped to develop these ideas for young people in the future. This project will also ask young people who used to be NEET to mentor the young people in the project. This project includes setting up a virtual market place and providing a £20 loan to each young person to start their business and a jobs café where the young people come together for training and support in their business.

The cyber bullying project ran during the summer where young people came up with the concept of a space on the internet where young people are creating content to deal with online bullying which becomes a resource to young people experiencing it. They can access the 'Wipe Out CB' group and pick a suitable picture or video to use in their own lives to help shut down the bullying. It also provides a peer support network for young people. Young people can join the group to go through the process of understanding cyber bullying and what might help shut it down, they then create their own content and become part of the online community creating content. The group works with all the youth networks and social media platforms to create a platform of support and resources made by young people to empower them against cyber bullying.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount £4999

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Bromham Youth Club	Bromham Youth Club	Bromham Youth Club resources	£1200

Project description

Bromham Youth Club is a community club in the Bromham parish serving young people who live in Bromham and their friends.

It has been running since October 2015 with funding from Devizes Area Board who continue to support the club this financial year.

Since setting up the club it has become clear that a majority of young people attend John Bentley School in Calne and as a result, members who join because of friends tend to be residents in Calne. The group have made strong links in Calne and are joining in their Christmas activities.

Because of the strong connections to Calne the group are asking Calne area board to help them to provide more activities for the Bromham youth club.

The money they are asking for will enable them to buy resources to run issue based workshops monthly and to arrange trips with the young people.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount £1200

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