

Report toCalne Area BoardDate of meeting21st November 2017Title of reportYouth 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	
A Place For Us	£5200	Recommended	

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
A Place for Us	A Place for us	Extension project	£5200

A Place for us is the community group that has grown out of the LYN procurement for an SEND youth club.

After 10 Months, the group has been a great success and the parent group have formed their own community group to manage the project. They would like to extend the club by providing 2 more workers for the project. They are applying elsewhere for the core costs they received from the LYN previously.

During the year, due to saving money on hall costs, Barnardos have already provided an additional worker to accommodate more young people, this worker is part of the extension project to make sure they don't lose a worker in the new funding process. The 2nd worker in the grant will allow them to open the club to those on the waiting list and others.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

The LYN recommend this grant. They would also like to give the group some flexibility, knowing that they won't hear about other grants until January, they would like this money to be towards extending the project in the long run but if they need this finance to stay open until they receive other funding, the LYN recommends this money be used.

The LYN recommends that the full £5200 is awarded in this circumstance awarding just above the £5000 upper limit to ensure the group can provide a safe group through the whole year

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