

Report To Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board

Date of Meeting Wednesday, 28 September 2022

Title of Report Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Older and Vulnerable People
Opening Balance For 2022/23	£ 24,639	£ 19,916	£ 7,700
Awarded To Date	£ 3,381	£ 0.00	£ 500
Current Balance	£ 21,258	£ 19,916	£ 7,200
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 11,258	£ 17,001	£ 5,700

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG709	Community Area Grant	Royal Wootton Bassett RFC	Royal Wootton Bassett RFC Solar Panels	£37000.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: Looking to install solar panels on gymnasium building.					
ABG804	Community Area Grant	Jubilee Gardens 1978 Ltd	Jubilee Gardens new Greenhouse	£10000.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: The charity needs £10,000 to replace, install and maintain a new industrial greenhouse. Our current greenhouse is over 30 years old and is beyond economic repair. The funds we had set aside to replace the existing greenhouse had to be used during the COVID pandemic, to keep the essential activities of the charity running.					
ABG767	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Wiltshire Music Centre	Celebrating Age Wiltshire	£11065.00	£1500.00

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<p>Project Summary: Celebrating Age Wiltshire (CAW) will use arts & heritage activities to reach the most isolated older people in the Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade area, helping to tackle loneliness and aiming to improve their health and wellbeing through creative and artistic engagement. In particular CAW will target those people who are vulnerable and socially isolated due to frailty, ill health, dementia, poor mobility or caring responsibilities. Our programme has developed four different strands of both live and online activity to meet the needs of this group. CAW is a partnership of community organisations across the county with Wiltshire Music Centre as lead organisation.</p>					
ABG787	Youth Grant	Cricklade Town Council	Cricklade Local Youth Network	£10630.00	£2915.00
<p>Project Summary: The project will enable Cricklade Town Council to continue to provide funding for youth workers to come to Cricklade twice a week to provide positive activities for young people in a safe space. The youth workers spend time interacting with the youth and they provide education and support using various methods and ways, such as discussions, demonstrations, interactions with outside bodies, to ensure the youth are engaged and interested. Cricklade Town council also provide the funding so that the young people have an hour a week in the main sports hall in Cricklade Leisure Centre where they do a variety of sporting activities and challenges. By taking part in the activities, they are learning to work as part of a team, mixing with different people and co-operating with others to achieve specific goals. The youth workers are also signposting young people and their families to other outside bodies that can provide help and support that they would not necessarily have knowledge of, or access to. Within the last quarter they have made referrals to the local foodbank, referred 2 young people to the MASH team, and a further young person is receiving extra support through the community mentoring scheme. Inspire to Aspire plan to have a concentrated focus on football for the next academic year. They plan to have Alana, an ex-England under 15s football player, join Rob on each session to help with signposting and support for the young people in the sessions who are showing potential with their football skills. Rob and Alana are also looking to reach out to the young people through the most popular social media platform, Instagram and TikTok, to encourage them to take part in challenges such as football and dance routines and also promote the youth club. A positive of the work already undertaken has been that the Rise Trust now has 47 registered young people in Cricklade and they are seeing more young people attending each week and with the youth being less detached in the session. They are also seeing more young people in the Leisure Centre area where the sessions are run and less outreach work has been needed, where the youth workers would walk around the town trying to get the young people engaged in positive activities, this is an improvement that has been beneficial to the whole town.</p>					

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grants (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

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

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

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

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

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.

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

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