
Calne Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Calne Area Board. These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
2. To document any recommendations provided through sub-groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2024-25	£ 20,871.00	£ 17,843.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 10,368.12	£ 6,000.00	£ 2,500.00
Current Balance	£ 10,502.88	£ 11,843.00	£ 5,200.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 5,502.88	£ 11,593.00	£ 1,950.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG2051	Area Board Initiative	Councillor Initiative	Safe Places	£1000.00	£500.00*
Project Summary: Relaunch of Calne Safe Places scheme. <small>*Proposed 50/50 split between Youth and O&VA funding</small>					
ABG2034	Community Area Grant	Marden House Centre	Repairs in garden and installation of a Wheelchair accessible toilet for Marden House	£26300.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: 1. Repairs to steps and pergola in the garden to make it safe. 2. Conversion of a storage are to a wheelchair accessible toilet. (More details in attachments)					

ABG2074	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Calne Reconnecting Group	Calne Seniors Reconnecting Group	£6000.00	£3000.00
<p>Project Summary: To provide support to Calne seniors to reduce social isolation and help with mental health and wellbeing. This project is mainly run by volunteers. The funding will cover our 47 sessions in 2025 and parties at Christmas and New Year for 50 members, along with decorations, regular refreshments, serviettes/ paper plates, cost of entertainers, replacement of and purchasing new games and replacement of storage boxes.</p>					

Background

3. 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.
4. 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)
 - Youth Grants (revenue)
 - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

Main Considerations

6. 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 person's funding guidelines have been adhered to.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub-groups of the Area Boards.

Safeguarding Implications

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

Public Health Implications

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

Environmental & Climate Change Implications

11. 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.

Financial Implications

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

Legal Implications

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

Workforce Implications

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

Equalities Implications

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community-based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

Report Author

- Ros Griffiths, Strategic Engagement and Partnership Manager, Ros.Griffiths@wiltshire.gov.uk

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