

Report to	Warminster Area Board
Date of Meeting	04/02/2021
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding and Local Youth Network Funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Community Area Grant Applications	
Applicant: Warminster Athenaeum Trust Project Title: Athenaeum Lighting Box Modernisation View full application	£4500.00
Applicant: Bishopstrow Village Hall Project Title: Repair and Improve Playing Field footpath View full application	£1675.00
Applicant: Smallbrook Meadows Volunteer Group Project Title: Smallbrook Meadows Disabled Access View full application	£1000.00
Applicant: Longbridge Deverill Parish Council Project Title: Bus Shelters View full application	£1964.00
Applicant: Upton Scudamore Parish Council Project Title: Parish Council Notice Board View full application	£600.00
Applicant: Warminster Saddle Club Project Title: WSC Quad bike View full application	£3000.00
Local Youth Network Grant Applications	
Applicant: Kingdown School Project Title: Improving mental health and wellbeing for Warminster children View full application	£2500.00

Applicant: Wylve Coyotes Afterschool Club Project Title: Greenlight Building Improvements View full application	£3941.00
Applicant: Army Welfare Service Project Title: Easter Holiday Craft packs View full application	£1,220.00

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](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2020/2021 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

Community Area Grants

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4070	Warminster Athenaeum Trust	Athenaeum Lighting Box Modernisation	£4500.00
<p>Project Description: Replace substandard electrical distribution boards. Retest the whole electrical systems in the building during shutdown. Reorganise the electrical system in the Lighting Box for the future LED lighting systems and new digital sound.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4038	Bishopstrow Village Hall	Repair and Improve Playing Field footpath	£1675.00
<p>Project Description: A footpath runs through the Bishopstrow village playing field land and towards a small group of houses around the mill. This footpath is in a very poor state of repair and is much used. The village would like to repair the footpath and needs assistance with the costs of materiel. Labour will be free volunteers.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3993	Smallbrook Meadows Volunteer Group	Smallbrook Meadows Disabled Access	£1000.00
<p>Project Description: This is a Path Improvement Grant Scheme PIGS application. The grit path through Smallbrook Meadows Local Nature Reserve is an excellent link between Weymouth Street the Park and the new right of way on Smallbrook Lane to Boreham Road. Unfortunately the existing kissing gates are negotiable with difficulty for wheelchairs pushchairs but not at all compatible with larger mobility scooters. Smallbrook Volunteers need 4 x self closing gates that will allow airlocks to be fitted i.e. you go through the first gate which closes behind you walk along a short tunnel and open the next gate which closes behind you. The Disabled Ramblers recommend this type of gate.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4003	Longbridge Deverill Parish Council	Bus Shelters	£1964.00
<p>Project Description: The Parish is made up of three villages with four bus shelters inherited from Wiltshire Council the shelters are used by both residents and School children waiting for the School bus. All the bus shelters are now in need of repairs three have asbestos roofs and wood structures to be replaced as well as cosmetic works. We are looking for support to these three.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4030	Upton Scudamore Parish Council	Parish Council Notice Board	£600.00
<p>Project Description: The current notice board is very worn the doors are warped and lock damaged.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4061	Warminster Saddle Club	WSC Quad bike	£3000.00
<p>Project Description: The old quad bike is beyond economic repair and no longer working. The Club needs a replacement for transporting hay and straw and general cross-country duties. It will also be used to tow a harrow and critically maintain School surfaces. The Club would like to buy a replacement 1000cc Honda quad bike which is in common use and cheap to maintain. This will make the hard manual labour of the employees considerably better and more efficient.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Local Youth Network Grant Applications

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4058	Kingdown School	Improving mental health and wellbeing for Warminster children	£2500.00
<p>Project Description: We are asking for a grant of 2500. With this funding we could employ 1 school counsellor for one year on a part-time basis. With previous funding two years ago from the Area Board the counsellor was able to provide support for 33 students for 6 counselling sessions each. This equates to 198 counselling sessions topics of challenges supported include anxiety depression self-harm sexuality home life anger management and suicidal ideation. Without further funding we will have to withdraw this service. Given the impact of lockdowns and COVID restrictions on our young people their disrupted education social isolation COVID fears and anxiety etc. we feel this is an invaluable service in Warminsters post-COVID recovery.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Local Youth Network Grant.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
4016	Wylve Coyotes Afterschool Club	Greenlight Building Improvements	£3941.00
<p>Project Description: We need to make improvements to our building to make it completely safe following recommendations from a recent Fire Audit. In addition we want to make improvements to the building we use for our community cafes in order to increase the comfort of users.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Local Youth Network Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
893	Army Welfare Service	Easter Holiday Craft Packs	£1220.00
<p>Project Description: There are approximately 250 service children and young people aged 5 - 16 currently living in Warminster and due to the Covid-19 pandemic they are spending nearly all their time at home. Due to lockdowns and tiered restrictions the community support team have not been able to deliver regular face to face provision meaning that families have had less support. The money for this project will be used to make 100 activity boxes. Each box will contain 4 activities general arts and crafts supplies as well as resources that have been created by the Army Welfare Service Community Support team. These resources will provide ideas and tips of what they can create with the contents of the box. These boxes aim to encourage families to do activities together which will help improve mental wellbeing and build resilience and bring some welcome relief to the pressures that families are currently facing. Families have spoken to unit welfare telling them how they are struggling to keep children occupied during lockdowns and the tiered restrictions as well as keeping them away from their friends and this is having a significant impact on wellbeing. We are being told by young people that we work with that they are tired of being in frequent lockdowns and of the pandemic. They are missing their friends. With no plans yet in place for when schools reopen children and young people are spending the majority of their day in front of a screen and all of the activities in the box are screen free. The boxes work out at costing pound13.20 each and they will be provided for free as some families do not have the money to buy supplies or equipment for their children.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application meets the necessary criteria for a Local Youth Network Grant</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

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

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