

Report To	Devizes Area Board
Date of Meeting	Monday, 05 September 2022
Title of Report	Devizes Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Devizes Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through subgroups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For <u>2022/23</u>	£ 25,869.00	£ 22,320.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 15,396.50	£ 4,000.00	£ 3,457.50
Current Balance	£ 10,472.50	£ 18,320.00	£ 4,242.50
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 2,472.50	£ 10,638.00	£ 3,742.50

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG729	Community Area Grant	Sustainable Devizes	Devizes Community Fridge	£1500.00	£750.00

Project Summary:

We plan to launch a Community Fridge in Devizes in August this year. The project has existing agreement from the Town Council to be sited in the Shambles. It is led by Sustainable Devizes in partnership with Wiltshire CIL. Financial and insurance oversight will be from Sustainable Devizes, and we aim to be compliant with the advised policies and protocols of the national Community Fridge Network (Hubbub.co.uk) and to be a registered member of it. We currently have 22 volunteers signed up to prepare for the launch but just need match funding of £800 to purchase a catering standard display fridge.

This funding has already been awarded via delegated authority. It needs to be ratified at this meeting

ABG746	Community Area Grant	Cycle Friendly Devizes	New Gazebo to promote sustainable travel options	£500.00	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: CFD team are increasingly getting involved in the community to promote cycling and sustainable travel around Devizes area. Last year we attended the Well Being event on the Green and have participated in the inaugural Sustainability Fair in the Market Place, which was successful and destined to become an annual event. At the fair, our CFD team were in attendance to encourage participation in LCWIP consultation, promote the new cycle stands in the Market Place and organised public guided rides around town showing them the cycle routes. Additionally, we ran a cyclometer where the public participated in a cycle related survey. At these events, we borrowed large tent, which is not available for the future. Having a purpose made pop up gazebo would allow us to participate in more local events, where we can promote active/sustainable travel and any initiatives, which will reduce carbon emissions and improve air quality in Devizes. The gazebo would be available to share within the Sustainable Devizes group, or other community groups.</p>					
ABG771	Community Area Grant	Devizes Development Partnership Ltd	Devizes CCTV	£5025.23	£2500.00
<p>Project Summary: Replacement of data transmission and installation of new camera equipment</p>					
ABG778	Community Area Grant	Devizes Assize Court Trust	Planning for the Future of Devizes Assize Court	£338906.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: DACT has acquired the former Assize Courts to rescue an important historic building and provide an exciting new venue for the Wiltshire Museum. The building has been disused and neglected over the last 30+ years and is seriously at risk. Emergency repairs have been undertaken with grant aid from Historic England and the Pilgrim Trust but the building remains fragile. To undertake the project DACT is working with the Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society that runs the existing Wiltshire Museum in Devizes, and with support from the Wiltshire Historic Buildings Trust. We have completed the feasibility stage and now have outline plans to demonstrate how the restored building will enable the relocation of the Wiltshire Museum from its present site in the town. Investigations undertaken to date highlights the need for extensive conservation of the fabric of the building. To achieve a viable new use we need to conserve, convert and extend the building so that it can provide the space and facilities needed to accommodate an enhanced Wiltshire Museum. ADD in here The main items of capital work required are: • Conservation and conversion of the historic building • A new extension • External works to enhance the setting and provide for disabled access • Fitting out of the exhibition spaces • Provision of a new café • Plus all professional fees to enable completion the above. The Assize Courts is located within the Devizes Wharf Area where there is an ongoing Wiltshire Council led regeneration study in progress. This has already identified the Assize Court as a catalyst to bring new life to the Devizes Wharf area and support the town's economy. The Wharf regeneration study covers 6.75 hectares and includes: 1. The Lower Wharf – the Assize Court and Wadsworth Brewery are dominant buildings on Northgate Street and an important part of the town's history and identity. The Brewery Visitor Centre and Assize Court will be linked by a new canalside path to the Central Wharf and its coach park. 2. The Central Wharf - characterised by recreational access to the Canal, boat moorings, public open space and the Wharf Theatre building. It will exploit the recreational potential of the Canal and attracting visitors from the town centre. 3. The Upper Wharf - a stronger community character, dominated by the church and the hospital buildings that will be redundant by 2023. Plans have been developed to create a residential community with a strong local character and identity, within easy walking distance of the shops and leisure facilities of the town centre. 4. New Park Street – enhancing and integrating this with the town centre by creating a linked network of streets and spaces from the Market Square to the Wharf. Initial proposals for the redevelopment of the 3.8-hectare Wadsworth Brewery site, which sits alongside the Assize Court, are for mixed uses including, commercial, residential and leisure, linked by a network of pedestrian routes and public spaces. The retention and reuse of the historic brewery and other listed buildings on the site will add to the vitality and interest of the town as it seeks to respond positively to the new challenges of climate change and the post-covid economy.</p>					

ABG728	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Devizes Rotary	HWB Showcase 2022	£2275.14	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: HWB Showcase 2022 will be the fourth free community event aimed at making connections between the adult community and organisations, clubs, groups and charities who provide health and well-being services and activities throughout the Devizes Community Area. It will take place on the Small Green in Devizes on Saturday 10th September 2022 from 11am to 3pm. The event will again be open to exhibitors and demonstrators of activities such as arts & crafts, exercise, singing & dancing, and there will be a number of sideshows encouraging people to have a go at things such as skittles, coconut shy, football shooting practice, golf putting practice, bean bag throwing, mat darts etc.</p>					
ABG283	Youth Grant	Bromham Youth Club	Bromham Youth club	£5365.00	£2682.00
<p>Project Summary: A one evening per week successful youth club for young people aged 11-18 from the local Bromham community. We have members from Devizes School, Melksham Oak, Kingsbury Green, Dauntsey School and Abbeyfield School attending. Also, for those up to age 25 with additional needs and disabilities. The club enable's young people to socialise, have new experiences, learn new skills, keep physically active and take part in new activities that include themed youth sessions educational workshops and trips. This is a successful club that currently has between 16 and 20 members sign in weekly. The club also continued to run online during the Covid Pandemic and lockdowns. There is nothing else in Bromham club wise for young people. The club lost it's home and all possessions in 2021 when Bromham Social Centre burned down. The youth club is applying for running costs to enable the club to keep running from September 2022.</p>					
ABG717	Youth Grant	West Lavington Youth Club	West Lavington Youth Centre	£15072.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: The Youth Centre aims to engage with children from the Lavingtons and surrounding areas in positive activities. The youth centre has a dual purpose. It will raise the aspirations of children who are already succeeding and it will also engage children who are, for whatever reason, not currently engaged with any form of provision, NETE for example. For the former, the centre is a luxury item to make already good lives better and for the latter it is a resource designed to fill the gaping whole in Wiltshire Council's early help provision caused by years of austerity. It will provide a service to the generation of children who have been abandoned by public services. It is a service for the children who are in need, but not needy enough to qualify for statutory services. It is the informal contact that will act as a sliding door moment for children and prevent them growing up and entering into a lifetime of criminality and/or addiction. It is the father figure for the boys who live in a man dessert.</p>					

ABG738	Youth Grant	Wiltshire County Football Association	Devizes youth football project	£2500.00	£1000.00
<p>Project Summary: Wiltshire County FA held a meeting with Devizes Community Policing Team to discuss working together to address the biggest problem they were facing in the community. It was established that anti-social behavior was a big problem in Devizes, mainly due to the lack of facilities to engage young people in a positive activity. In addition to this, young people from deprived backgrounds are not given the same opportunities as those from a more affluent background. Together with partner agencies we would like to set up a youth project engaging young people in positive engagement through football. Green Lane has huge 3G pitches to facilitate this project. We also have a large canteen area which can be used, this could also be useful for agencies such as YOT to have meetings. *Initially, the project will run for 15 weeks with the possibility of extension based on success. *If talent is observed, WCFA can provide pathways into clubs, qualifications such as coaching and referee courses and opportunities *By doing this it will enable young people to engage in positive activities *If positive the aim is to reduce ASB in Devizes *Young people will also be able to build positive relationships with barrier services such as the police. *Launch the project on Friday 5th August 2022.</p> <p>This funding has already been awarded via delegated authority. It needs to be ratified at this meeting</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 person's 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 subgroups 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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