

Report To Westbury Area Board

Date of Meeting Thursday, 24 November 2022

Title of Report Westbury Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Westbury 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	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For <u>2022/2023</u>	£ 15,716.00	£ 12,892.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 3,400.00	£ 5,519.50	£ -1,500.00
Current Balance	£ 12,316.00	£ 7,372.50	£ 9,200.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 12,316.00	£ -3,335.55	£ 8,700.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG862	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Westbury Area Network	Westbury Warm Parcels	£500.00	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: We felt that, in the current economic climate and with the approach of winter, there would be a benefit in offering local people in need a Warm Parcel to help them through the colder months. We envisage that such a parcel would include such items as a hot water bottle, blanket/throw/quilt, knitted hat, mittens/gloves, scarf, door draught excluder and reusable hand warmers. The cost of providing such a parcel with new items would be in the order of £40 - £50. With the level of grant being applied for, this would provide 10 -12 parcels. If successful, WAN would look to source some of these items by donations in order to be able to provide more parcels.</p>					
ABG829	Youth Grant	Leigh Park Community Centre	Skills for personal development and employment	£14452.68	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: Project purpose: To develop opportunities for young people to access programmes that develop their practical and social skills, provide further educational attainment, open doors and support careers and employability, provide recreational and sports outlets, learn about and conserve the natural environment, and engage as full members of their communities.</p>					

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ABG848	Youth Grant	Westbury Community Project	Warm Spaces entertainment at the Westbury Community Project	£1416.10	£708.05
<p>Project Summary: Westbury Community Project on Eden Vale Road provides a welcoming warm space for all. It is not specifically aimed at young people aged 13 – 19 years or up to 25 years for those with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (youth grants), or intended to improve the quality of life for older and vulnerable adults (older and vulnerable adults grants). This initiative applies to ALL of those people, and is entirely non-discriminatory. We want to supplement the warm space by showing films, however this requires purchasing a one-off licence that costs £266 inc. VAT (although this is a recurring licence fee, the funding is being applied for on the understanding that it is a one-off application rather than a recurring cost).</p>					
ABG861	Youth Grant	4Youth South West	Detached Youth Workers and Counselling support for Westbury	£29102.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We would like to continue to deliver our Detached Youth Work and Counselling work in Westbury as we have seen a considerable demand over the past 13 months and have built some great relationships with the young people in the community. Our detached youth workers are working in the community every Tuesday and Thursday evening visiting areas where young people congregate, whilst our counsellor provides 1-2-1 counselling support for young people based at The East Wing Practice in Church Street.</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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