

Report To	Devizes Area Board
Date of Meeting	Monday, 05 December 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 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 2022-23	£ 25,869.00	£ 22,320.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 23,396.50	£ 11,682.00	£ 3,957.50
Current Balance	£ 2,472.50	£ 10,638.00	£ 3,742.50
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 2,223.50	£ 10,638.00	£ 3,442.50

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG879	Community Area Grant	West Wilts Ramblers Work Party	West Wilts Ramblers Work Party Equipment and Clothing	£699.00	£249.00
<p>Project Summary: Hello, West Wilts Ramblers have a Work Party, of which I am a member. The Work Party has worked most Tuesdays since 1986. Until recent years the County supplied us with protective clothing, gloves and boots. We work mainly to the County Rights of Way Team and travel at our own expense. Since 1986, in the Melksham Area we have clocked 1,289 hours and car travel of 3,478 kilometres and for Devizes 1,596 hours and 6,201 kilometres. This year more of our work has been in the Melksham Area. We have never claimed monies from the County or Parishes. West Wilts Ramblers have budgeted £100 towards tools or gloves – they cannot afford more. Last year they managed £500 towards a Stihl brush cutter. We are asking Melksham and Devizes Area Boards for £249 each. Which we will use towards a Stihl Battery and Blade (£375) and hand tools like shears for nine of us (£324). Many thanks Dave Yearsley 4/11/22 West Wilts Ramblers Footpath Secretary/Work Party Coordinator</p>					
ABG881	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Think Energy Devizes	Think Energy Devizes community event	£726.00	£300.00

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<p>Project Summary: The event is being organised by members of Sustainable Devizes who have formed Think Energy Devizes. It will be targeted at the following audiences: - People who are currently experiencing fuel poverty - it will facilitate conversations with not for profit support organisations who may offer advice on grants available to help, and energy saving adaptations in the home - People who want to make energy saving adaptations at home, and reduce their carbon footprint in terms of energy use. Invitations will be sent out to a range of local and national business organisations offering low carbon solutions - Children who may like to take part in facilitated workshops led by Wiltshire Scrapstore, to make easy energy saving items e.g. draft excluders and hot water bottle covers Businesses and not for profit organisations will be offered individual pitches and the opportunity to provide talks.</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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