

Report To South West Wiltshire Area Board

Date of Meeting Wednesday, 15 March 2023

Title of Report South West Wiltshire Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the South West Wiltshire 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>	£ 24,876.00	£ 21,148.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 9,236.28	£ 13,750.00	£ 5,560.00
Current Balance	£ 15,639.72	£ 13,282.27	£ 2,140.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 3,201.53	£ 12,782.27	£ 1,340.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG919	Area Board Initiative	South West Wiltshire Area Board	Youth Employment Event	£1500.00	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: The objective is to deliver a joint area board youth employment event at Wiltshire College in May 2023 (Salisbury, Southern and South West Wiltshire). The principle costs involved are transport. We would like to benefit around 100 young people from as many of the schools within these community areas. We will look to use school minibuses, but may also need to use community transport or coach hire</p>					
ABG1083	Area Board Initiative	Cllr Nick Errington South West Wilts Health and Wellbeing Group	Developing digital know how	£500.00	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: Based on the Westbury Area Board project, this project will start as a pilot, bringing digital support and assistance to vulnerable adults and older people who need to be able to access services online, but who currently struggle more than others to do so. We will look to set up a series of regular structured sessions from the charity Ability Net, aiming to benefit up to 12 people in 2023.</p>					
ABG907	Community Area Grant	Donhead Sports Club	Donhead sports Club roof refurbishment	£35000.00	£5000.00

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<p>Project Summary: Our club roof was damaged in the winter of 2022, repairs were made at the time but the felt is over 35 years old and is leaking again. The roofers that made the initial repair said that due to its age the whole roof needs renewing. We have had one estimate of £30,000. We need to fund raise as we are a not for profit voluntary run club, we do not have sufficient funds available for this project.</p>					
ABG920	Community Area Grant	Berwick St John Village Hall Committee	Berwick St John Village Hall Glass Washing Machine	£1685.60	£500.00
<p>Project Summary: Purchase and install a glass washing machine in the Village Hall. The Hall is used for village community events and is available for hire for private events (private events are an important source of funding for the hall). Local events are well supported in the village, typically with 80 to 100 attendees. After these events glasses have to be washed by hand which is time consuming and can lead to breakages. As many of our helpers are older members of the village it would be safer and more efficient to use a glass washing machine for this purpose.</p>					
ABG973	Community Area Grant	The Chalke Valley Fete Committee	Chalke Valley Fete and Produce Show 2023 Purchase of re useable advertising banners and equipment	£4950.00	£1250.00
<p>Project Summary: A community event to bring the villages of the Valley together to celebrate rural living. This application is for the purchase of advertising and promotional banners and equipment (event picnic benches, radios, gazebos, activity equipment) that will be used for subsequent events over the next 5 years and to provide some of the essential infrastructure to support the event and help it grow.</p>					
ABG1005	Community Area Grant	Firends of Broad Chalke Playground	Broad Chalke Playground renovation	£15080.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: Our existing playground is now over 15 years old and whilst all items have recently passed a RoSPA inspection some key items are in need of replacement before they become dilapidated. This application is for grant funding to replace 3 specific items: the ship and tower/slide both of which are wooden structures and the see-saw which is difficult for young children to use and therefore unloved. (N.B. The address supplied below is that of the applicant. The playground, located at Hatch Field, Broad Chalke, does not have postal facilities)</p>					
ABG1053	Community Area Grant	Burcombe Village Hall Committee	Village Hall Renovation	£1376.39	£688.19
<p>Project Summary: Burcombe Village Hall is the former village school, built by Wilton Estate in the nineteenth century. It is a characterful building in the heart of this small village. The building is owned by the Estate, let to the Parish Council at a purely nominal rent, and managed by the Village Hall Committee, who are submitting this application. Under the terms of the lease, the tenant (represented by the Committee) is responsible for the hall's upkeep. The hall is a valued resource for local people, the venue for village events and for local clubs. The Committee's income derives from lettings (private as well as to local clubs) and from specific fund-raising events, which also serve a social purpose. The Parish Council contributes towards the insurance cost. The Committee is currently facing a number of issues relating to upkeep. It commissioned a report from a local building surveyor, who identified several aspects of capital expenditure required in the short term to enhance the hall's waterproofing and ventilation, as well as some issues of ongoing maintenance. This application addresses the capital items. These appear as items 4, 5 & 6 on the attached "Surveyor's report (repainting of brickwork and provision of larger ventilation bricks). The Committee currently holds approximately £5000 in reserves and is planning additional fund-raising. However, the total expenditure identified in the surveyor's report is beyond these current resources. Hence comes this application for assistance with the capital items. Assistance would be matched from the Committee's reserves, the balance of which will be used to cover the maintenance expenditure identified. Two quotes are attached from local builders and the committee plan to use PJ Property Services being the lower estimate.</p>					

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG945	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Hindon Warm Hub Volunteers	Hindon Warm Hub	£300.00	£300.00
<p>Project Summary: We will combine a mother and carers group for the young with the older people in the village who may be cold and lonely and just need to be warm and talking to others. The village hall will be hired for every Friday from the 6th of January until the end of March 2023. We are applying for £300 to cover hall hire costs, heating, tea, coffee and soup and papers to read.</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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