

Wiltshire Council

Stonehenge Area Board

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Stonehenge Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide details of the grant applications made to the Stonehenge Area Board. These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2024/25	£ 24,831.00	£ 22,414.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 21,807.78	£ 6,405.08	£ 5,904.00
Current Balance	£ 3,023.22	£ 16,008.92	£ 1,796.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ -18,976.78	£ 3,097.39	£ 1,009.50

For further information on how to apply for an Area Board Grant and to view the criteria, please click on the links below:-

[Area Board Grants - Wiltshire Council](#)

[Area Board Funding and Grants criteria.pdf](#)

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG2016	Area Board Initiative	Stonehenge area Board	Celebrating Age Wiltshire Christmas Concert	£1573.00	£786.50
<p>Project Summary: In addition to the regular Celebrating Age Wiltshire Programme, Stonehenge Area Board has, for the last couple of years, agreed to fund a Christmas Concert. The event has always been sold out. It is aimed at reducing social isolation and loneliness within the community area at a time which is difficult for a lot of our isolated residents.</p>					

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ABG1993	Community Area Grant	Amesbury Mens Shed	Mens Shed voluntary help	£10000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: To purchase a medium size van to assist in helping the local community in clearing all items that can be used in the function of the Mens Shed operations. This will be of great assistance to people faced with clearing garages and workshops after someone is deceased or entered care. Preventing many items ending up in landfill. Also offering much care at an extremely vulnerable time.</p>					
ABG2018	Community Area Grant	Figheledean Working Mens Club	Figheledean Working Mens Club Heating System	£14196.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: This project is to replace the ageing, erratic and very inefficient heating system (boiler and all internal plumbing/radiators) at FWMC which is approx 45 years old, with a new and more efficient heating system. This will ensure that the Club is a warm and welcoming place all year round and will improve heating efficiency and reliability, reduce emissions, and improve the carbon footprint of the Club, moving away from an old, out of date and wasteful system.</p>					
ABG2064	Community Area Grant	Shrewton United Football Club	Shrewton United Football Club Project 2024	£10000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We are looking for funding to get our facility and buy new equipment to provide football for our current first team to and expand the club with providing youth team football for next season, we need to improve our equipment on and off the pitch.</p>					
ABG2066	Community Area Grant	Stonehenge Disc Golf Club	Stonehenge Disc Golf Course Extension and Improvements	£4000.00	£2000.00
<p>Project Summary: Install 4 new baskets and asociated tee-pads on council owned scrubland adjacent to the existing course. Carry out alterations to existing course to make it more family friendly and safer. To relocate course entrance and provide a storage and base facility</p>					
ABG2068	Community Area Grant	1st Amesbury Scout Group	Scout Hut Kitchen Refurbishment	£10403.88	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: The existing kitchen was installed when the hut was built in 1990/91. It has been well since that time and shows it's age with main units and appliances failing. Working with a local kitchen supplier and installer we have chance to adapt and replace with a kitchen that will allow our young members to continue to learn to prepare great food and pick up good hygiene skills as well. Our Scouts, in particular enjoy the chance to cook and won this year's Salisbury and South Wilts District cooking competition. We'd love our present and future young people to the same experiences as well.</p>					

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ABG2002	Youth Grant	Buzz Action Foundation	The Elements Cafe	£7552.00	£3000.00
<p>Project Summary: The Elements Cafe is a bridging youth project providing a safer environment aimed at meeting a variety of additional needs. Members have a variety of SEND, Anxiety, Health Needs. Some members have no extra needs but come to support their friends and take part in this fully inclusive Youth club. Our members also have access to additional activities provided by Buzz Action Foundation CIO and we often collaborate with Amesbury Youth Cafe and Amesbury Circus Club. We take part in many trips, activities and fairweather camps. This year 3 of our members were able to attend a 10 day camp in Swanage. We meet on Wednesday Evenings from 6.30 to 8.30 though some of our members stay later to join the Youth Circus in the hall next door.</p>					
ABG2061	Youth Grant	2nd Bulford St Leonards Scout Group	Improvements to facilities at Bulford Scout hut to extend youth programme	£10000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We are looking to improve the Scout programme facilities at Grey Wolf Den. We currently support ~80 young people from the Bulford, Durrington and surrounding areas from age 6-17. With investment in our facilities, we have the potential to grow the membership (we have a waiting list for the younger sections). Of these, roughly 50% have SEND, and we are providing vital access to learning life skills and outdoor pursuits, which has a clear benefit to their mental as well as physical health. Our Scout hut has a parking area and outdoor space, including a wooded area. The focus of our project is around increasing the opportunities to do outdoor pursuits such as range sports and campfire cooking, improving safety standards and increasing security of our equipment. Whilst the group is 2nd Bulford Scouts, drawing members from the local villages of Durrington, Bulford, Netheravon, Figheldean and Larkhill, we regularly have Scout groups from Boscombe doing joint activities and using our grounds for camping. The premises are available to outside community groups for rental at a nominal rate (e.g. renting the hut for AP education for a young person 15 hours a week, a Brownies group is renting one evening a week, a local church has booked a few sessions whilst they seek new premises due to theirs falling into disrepair). We recently held a fundraiser for a wildlife sanctuary in Zimbabwe (organised by a 12 year old Scout), where we were delighted to discover local residents who had previously lived in Africa coming to have tea and cake and meet other people. This has inspired us to plan a series of coffee afternoons with talks, aimed at home education groups and older people, and occasional evening talks led by the Explorer Scouts (aged 14-17) on topics of interest, to share experiences between generations.</p>					
ABG2065	Youth Grant	Stand Against Racism and Inequality	Antihate support for young people targeting Afghan entitled people	£9821.63	£4910.81
<p>Project Summary: SARI has been approached by Avon Valley Academy who are experiencing a complex situation. 74 Afghan children have settled in the local area of Larkhill under the ARAP scheme. For the most part, the community are warmly welcoming. SARI has been supporting young people responsible for hate for 30 years in Avon and Somerset. As a victim-led hate crime charity, we use our lived experience to explain the impact of hate and to explore the benefits of diversity in our communities. Irvin Campbell, our former chair, would work with young people on a 1-1 basis. His background as a youth worker and sports coach means he has a different approach than the teachers who have already tried to change some young people's behaviour. Over three sessions, he would work with them to develop more positive attitudes to those with different protected characteristics. This would enhance the young people's life chances, enabling them to thrive in an increasingly diverse workforce, for example. It would also improve the Afghan children's safety around school and the community. Ultimately the aim is for community cohesion without resorting to law enforcement.</p>					

Background

3. 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.
4. 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)
 - Youth Grants (revenue)
 - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

Main Considerations

6. 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.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

Safeguarding Implications

9. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Public Health Implications

10. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Environmental & Climate Change Implications

11. 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.

Financial Implications

12. Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

Legal Implications

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

Workforce Implications

14. There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

Equalities Implications

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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