

Report to	Westbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	01/07/2021
Title of Report	Local Youth Network funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Community Area Grants	
Applicant: Westbury and Warminster Youth Club Project Title: Westbury Youth Club View full application	£3,345
Applicant: POPCAN Project Title: Summer Holiday Club	£6,250

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2020/2021 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

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

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

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.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
924	Westbury and Warminster Youth Club	Westbury Youth Club	£3,345
<p>Project Description:</p> <p>Weekly youth club during term time for 11-19 year olds up to 25 with learning disabilities offering a wide range of activities and occasional off site trips.</p> <p>We offer a subsidised entrance fee of just £1 so those who are vulnerable or come from a disadvantaged background are able to attend the club. We don't have a membership fee it is done by means of weekly subs so those that can only afford to attend a few sessions don't miss out and can attend when they are able to. We have one young leader aged 14 who helps to run activities during the sessions. He has completed the first stage of a young leadership course. During the difficult time of covid when we have been able to run we have 15 members attend weekly. Overall we have 35-40 registered members. After covid we expect this number to rise. We would expect no less than 30 members to attend weekly. Our team has two volunteers that have been with the club 4 and 2 years respectfully. We have affiliation with Youth Action Wiltshire to provide off site activities min 3 times a year as well as their young leadership course. We work with Barnardos to offer counselling services for our members and they will come in and deliver courses.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application fulfils the necessary criteria for a Local Youth Network Grant.</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ABG124	Penleigh and Oldfield Park Community Action Network	Summer Holiday Club	£6,250
<p>Project Description:</p> <p>It is planned to hold, during the five weeks of the summer holidays a Summer Holiday Club five days a week from 10am – 4pm. The Club would be organised by Tree Tops, a company specialising in After School and Holiday Clubs. The proposed club will be held in the Junior School and the Westbury Community Project. Tree Tops charge £25.00 per child per day, which when compared with locals Pre-Schools who charge £5.00 per hour this is reasonable. Although there are some parents/guardians who can afford the cost the concern is for those whose parents/guardians who cannot afford The funding we are seeking is to provide 10 free places 5 days a week over the 5 weeks, for local children who may be on the At Risk Register, may come from homes where there is domestic abuse and/or would not ordinarily have been able to come due to their family circumstances. It must be noted that the Holiday club does not fall into the school curriculum so therefore not funded by government. Westbury has some of the most deprived area in the County. Furloughing has exacerbated debt and redundancy plus there are those who are unemployed all with very little income therefore not enabling their children to attend such a club.</p> <p>The children have lost education during the lockdowns and the Holiday Club will enable the children to continue to learn in fun surroundings the use of hand and eye coordination through crafting, vocabulary with adults and children together with the rules from sports activates . To be able children to interact and learn with other children in relaxed organised surroundings will benefit their mental health, health and wellbeing. The Holiday club will also enable vulnerable children to be seen on a regular basis through the holiday period within a fun and stimulating surrounding.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This application fulfils the necessary criteria for a Local Youth Network Grant.</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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