

Report To	Tidworth Area Board
Date of Meeting	Monday, 21 March 2022
Title of Report	Tidworth Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Tidworth 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>2021/22</u>	£ 32,707	£ 16,712	£ 7,700
Awarded To Date	£ 16,199	£ 4,353	£ 3,053
Current Balance	£ 16,508	£ 12,359	£ 4,647
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 1,745	£ 1.82	£ 0

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG592	Area Board Initiative	Tidworth Area Board	Ludgershall Youth Offer	£10000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: To provide funding to develop a youth offer in Ludgershall. There has been no provision since 2019 and it has been identified as a need through the work of the police and Community First Youth Project Workers. They are working together to consult, hold events and establish a regular group.</p>					
ABG399	Community Area Grant	Chute Cadley Well Head Group	Friends of Chute Cadley Wellhead Restoration Project	£1400.00	£700.00
<p>Project Summary: The Chute Cadley Well was the only source of water to Lower Chute before mains water arrived in the village. Over the years the well head has fallen into a state of total disrepair and needs a total new wellhead. The aim of this is to also repair the winding gear and this could then be used to top up the Chute Cadley wild life pond to which a village group aim to restore.</p>					
ABG555	Community Area Grant	Tidworth Town Council	Tidworth Skate Park	£171439.20	£11439.20

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<p>Project Summary: There is a demand for more youth activities in Tidworth and this has been requested frequently over many years. Securing suitable land and funding has been the main issue stopping us providing this facility. MOD have now agreed to lease part of the Esso field to us and we will be in receipt of £ 160,000K towards recreational use. This will hugely benefit the health and wellbeing of the Youth in the Town, but of course there will be no age restrictions.</p>					
ABG545	Health and Wellbeing Grant	Alzheimers Support	Ludgershall Movement for the Mind project for local people with dementia	£3371.00	£1381.00
<p>Project Summary: Our "Movement for the Mind" project provides activity sessions blending exercise, reminiscence and fun, helping people regain confidence, providing a social outing and helping to stimulate brain function. In Ludgershall, we currently run fortnightly Movement for the Mind sessions based at St James' Church Hall on alternate Wednesdays for gentle exercise to music in a supportive and friendly group setting. The groups were started in response to research showing the benefits of physical activity to people with memory and cognitive problems. Each session offers gentle, regular exercise, which supports mobility and co-ordination, improves memory and cognitive skills and relieves stress and anxiety. Carers also attend as they too can benefit from the chance to de-stress in a warm friendly environment. Our facilitators is a trained fitness coach, specialist in the particular needs of older aged clients. Sessions start with a gentle warm-up before moving on to the main activity. Everyone is encouraged to do as much or little as they feel able to and you do not have to be 'super-fit' to take part. People with restricted mobility and wheelchair users are welcome. The exercise lasts for about an hour and at the end of the session refreshments are served during a social half hour before the group closes. As one of our Therapists puts it: 'You can see the people's mood change as they go through the session. Their confidence grows as if they are saying to themselves 'I can do this'. What matters to me is that the members have come out, done some exercise in a social setting and they go away feeling great.' And one of our carers notes that "They are a wonderful activity for anyone living with dementia/Alzheimer's and you should all be super proud of the work you do. I'm very grateful for all the sessions my grampie attended, they certainly helped him. Thank you all."</p>					
ABG491	Youth Grant	Ludgershall Town Council	Ludgershall Rec Skatepark Extension	£31930.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We have had many requests from the youth of Ludgershall and parents of them, that they have to travel far to get to a better skatepark as ours is very basic. We had a meeting on site with parents and a skatepark contractor, to find out what would be needed. The request was to change it to concrete however the cost of this would be way over £100,000. So to do an extension with a couple of bits of new more complex skatepark equipment was then suggested.</p>					
ABG504	Youth Grant	Youth Adventure Trust	Supporting disadvantaged young people in Tidworth	£9736.47	£2192.05

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<p>Project Summary: We would like your support to help fund the programme costs of the 7 young people from Tidworth currently on Years 2 and 3 of the programme, but specifically helpful would be the Youth Support Worker salary costs associated with the support of these 7 young people. Our specially designed three-school-year Youth Adventure Programme includes three residential camps (Mountain, Coastal and Forest) , an Explore Day, 3 Activity Days and 4 Pathway Days, all supplemented with the ongoing support, mentoring and guidance of our skilled programme team, who are in constant contact with the young people throughout, offering them support in between camps and activity days. The main programme is followed by a Mentoring and Bursary Scheme to ensure all of the young people have the best chance of getting the maximum benefit from our long-term intervention. Our service is completely free and over the past 29 years we have helped over 4,000 vulnerable young people, providing more than 27,000 activity days. We are the only organisation in the area to provide such a comprehensive intervention for this typically hard-to-reach group of vulnerable young people at such a young age. Our Programme is not about removing the young people's challenges, it's about equipping them with the resilience to overcome them and helping them reach their full potential. "Without the Youth Adventure Trust, I would have lost my shine. When I started the programme I wasn't in the best place mentally. Yet going away and having the experiences I had really put the light back into my life. It made me realise that bad days are just that, bad days. And without them, good days wouldn't be as good." (Bradley, age 14) The COVID pandemic has resulted in increasing young people presenting with greater anxiety and lower levels of confidence. They see an uncertain future and need our support and the tools to cope. Support services are more overstretched and short-staffed, while many schools have reduced pastoral support. Time for interaction and an outlet outside the family is especially important. Families are under chronic financial pressure; as the stress at home increases so does harm, neglect, mental health issues, substance misuse and poverty. The impact is very evident, and we have provided increasing amounts of support directly to families, alongside the increased one-to-one support we are offering our young people. Through more interaction and working with young people over a longer timeframe, we have built up a high level of trust; not letting them down continues to be a key value of the charity. Our referral agencies have regularly told us they could easily fill more than double the programme places we offer them; that is true now more than ever. Your support will enable us to continue the work we do with some of the most vulnerable in society. he Youth Workers are the beating heart of our charity, who support the young people throughout the programme, helping them set objectives, supporting them on every camp and activity day and giving them continuous 1:1 support and mentoring. The Youth Workers ensure that each child gets the very most out of the programme. They go the extra mile with each and every one of them, focusing on their individual problems and working hard to overcome their issues and challenges, as well as being positive role models. They give of themselves personally and the children respect them and are emotionally connected to them as a result. They provided invaluable online mentoring sessions to our most vulnerable young people during the lockdowns, which involved having an hour-long video call with the young person each week and continuous support by phone and email. Since Summer 2021 the young people have been back on the main programme and your funding would support 4 young people in year 2, where they attend 2 Activity days, a 3-day Coastal Camp, a 6-day Forest camp and an October Pathway Day. In Year 3 there are 3 Tidworth young people (slightly reduced intake in 2021 due to covid and reduced charity income) who will attend their 3 final Pathway Days, ready to move onto either our Mentoring Scheme or other youth orgainsations in the county.</p>					
ABG534	Youth Grant	Army Welfare Service	Zooch Tidworth Youth Club	£10000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: With the Zooch former londis shop being upgraded and repurposed a permanent youth club will be set up to support the Tidworth area. The funding will enable us to kit out the centre and create a permanent youth space and then to also provide activities, trips, support and residentials for 13-19 year olds both military and civilian.</p>					
ABG556	Youth Grant	Army Welfare Service	Summer Pop Ups	£4000.00	£2000.00
<p>Project Summary: The Summer Pop Ups will be for the whole community both military and civilian and continue on from the success last summer. Over 1800 contacts were made through 4 individual pop ups. Tidworth Pop Up is happening on August 1st 2022. This will run from 11-4pm and have a mixture of activities, food, support providers and activities for families, children and young people.</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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