

<b>Report To</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday, 20 September 2022</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Grant Report</b>

## Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Malmesbury Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through subgroups.

## Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
<b>Opening Balance For</b> <u>2022/23</u>	£ 17,219.00	£ 14,679.00	£ 7,700.00
<b>Awarded To Date</b>	£ 8,547.50	£ 1,126.00	£ 86.25
<b>Current Balance</b>	£ 8,671.50	£ 13,553.00	£ 7,613.75
<b>Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations</b>	£ 6,171.50	£ 13,553.00	£ 4,263.75

## Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG723</a>	Community Area Grant	Ashton Keynes Village Hall	Ashton Keynes Village Hall improvement of projection facilities	£5602.80	£2500.00

**Project Summary:**

This project will improve the projection facilities in the Village Hall to give us more options for conferences, business meetings, weddings, etc., basically anyone that can use the screen and projector. Although it will also assist with the Rural Cinema setup / breakdown, that is just an added benefit. Where anyone needs projection facilities, we currently have to unpack and erect our large (3m x 4m) projector screen and mount the projector (that weighs 17.5kg) on a heavy duty stand. The action requires a minimum of 3 to 4 able-bodied people for both erecting and taking down. Where a group (or hirer) does not have the physical capabilities they either refrain from using the facilities; have to seek assistance from outside; or in go elsewhere. This affects many village Groups from the WI and Golden Years (for presentations) through to Preschool and Toddler Groups (for film shows). External users are also affected because the Management Committee have to be move equipment into position and even if they have sufficient able-bodied people, we have to attend site to show them what to do. External users in this case could be the AK School, visiting clubs, etc. Currently, for a simple conference (or meeting) or to show some pictures during a wedding, a party, or a memorial event – we need to ensure the availability of a technician from the Management Team and with volunteers as they are, this sometimes proves difficult. Storage is also an issue. The existing screen has to be folded and stored under the stage; the projector boxed and stored in a secure location within the Hall; and the heavy-duty projector stand left on the stage. Once unpacked, the screen needs 3-4 hours to stretch out the folds. Our project plan is to install an electric screen (remotely controlled) and mount the projector on a beam. The proposed wiring will permit a simple 'plug in' from a laptop, DVD player, PDA, etc. and will interface with the existing PA system. Our Hall has a vaulted ceiling and we need to maintain the aesthetics as well as coping with the height required by the Badminton Club (they have rules about hitting beams and so we need to leave to leave the space in between). If we mount on Beam 1 (5.5 metres) we cannot project to the full width without changing the Lens. If is use a special mount to take the projector back to 5.8 metres, it will encroach on the Badminton space. Therefore, we need to replace the Projector Lens to give the correct throw from Beam 1. To retain the aesthetics of the stage front, a carpenter will make a cover for the screen cassette to match the existing wood. This cannot be quoted until we are aware of the size, however the Village Hall will cover this cost. It has not been included within the financial section.

[ABG764](#)Older and Vulnerable  
Adults FundingWiltshire Music  
Centre

Celebrating Age Wiltshire

£11065.00

£1500.00

**Project Summary:**

**Celebrating Age Wiltshire (CAW) will use arts & heritage activities to reach the most isolated older people in the Malmesbury area, helping to tackle loneliness and aiming to improve their health and wellbeing through creative and artistic engagement. In particular CAW will target those people who are vulnerable and socially isolated due to frailty, ill health, dementia, poor mobility or caring responsibilities. Our programme has developed four different strands of both live and online activity to meet the needs of this group. CAW is a partnership of community organisations across the county with Wiltshire Music Centre as lead organisation.**

[ABG788](#)Older and Vulnerable  
Adults Funding

Caerbladon CIC

The Malmesbury Chinwag

£3700.00

£1850.00

**Project Summary:**

The basis of the grant application is to build on the great work of Celebrating Age Wiltshire by arranging another series of 'Creative Conversations' (provisionally renamed the 'The Malmesbury Chinwag') as a support group which helps those who find it difficult or challenging to socialise and to enjoy the benefits that brings. This often includes people with physical or mental health issues or whose personal situation has left them feeling isolated. The course is for a group of around 5-10 people who will meet regularly and under the guidance of the course leaders explore social contact through creative activities and conversation. The sessions held so far have very been successful and the group attending are going to continue to meet each other, which is a great outcome. The idea is to set up an equivalent locally to meet our need, as there is limited availability via Celebrating Age Wiltshire as they cover a large area of the County and can no longer facilitate this service. Referral is usually (but not exclusively) from members of the Health and Wellbeing Forum, including by Jan Forsyth - North Wiltshire Primary Care Network Community Connector. It is intended that the group continue at the Library (free usage), Caerbladon gallery or elsewhere. It is proposed that Caerbladon delivers the following outputs: • covering the final sessions of the current Creative Conversation Sessions as part of our training and induction • receive mentorship from David Davies (along with Anne Hayhoe another artist linked to Caerbladon) • produce an operational framework, including DBS checks and safeguarding etc. • run a 10-week course in the library, Caerbladon or elsewhere likely from beginning October to mid December 2022 • receive mentorship (in the New Year 2023) re 'Noticing Nature' sessions

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## 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 person's 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 subgroups 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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