

Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.
These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
2. 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 2023/23	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 16,988.66	£ 15,375.00	£ 7,700.00
Current Balance	£ 6,653.34	£ 3,946.00	£ 1,000.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ -2,292.66	£ 2,113.60	£ 0.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG1394	Community Area Grant	Charlton All Saints Church	Repair and Restoration of lychgate which is the village war memorial at Charlton All Saints Church	£10681.00	£1000.00

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<p>Project Summary: Storm damage has caused damage to the roof with loss of about 15 tiles and the exposed battens show evidence of batten failure. There are also slipped tiles on both roof slopes indicating failure of individual tile fixings. The base of the posts have previously been scarfed but two of these are now rotten again. The corner plate junction at the SE corner of the Lychgate is also rotten. A curved bracket at the NW corner of the lychgate has rotted and is not attached to the post. The weatherboards on both sides of the gates are rotten and need replacing. The recent damage, which has to be repaired as soon as possible, has highlighted the need for further repair and conservation and therefore this is an appropriate time to undertake this work. The Lychgate is the village war memorial commemorating those who dies in both the first and second world wars. The issue of the lychgate was raised at the local civic parish meeting and the community are very keen to see this project proceed. The repairs need to be completed before the damage becomes worse and in time for the Charlton All Saints Service of Remembrance to be held on 12th November 2023.</p>					
ABG1429	Community Area Grant	Boscombe Down Aviation Collection	Conserving for the Future the Royal Flying Corps Collection at Boscombe Down Aviation Collection	£5892.00	£2946.00
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<p>Project Summary: The Boscombe Down Aviation Collection has been open to the public housed within it's World War One 1917-built Grade-II* Listed hangars at Old Sarum since 2012. In June 2020, after 2 years of work & considerable effort by BDAC volunteers the doors were opened on the Royal Flying Corps (RFC) Collection, as part of the BDAC experience to the public. The displays & artefacts tell the story of the Royal Flying Corps & aviation in the local area, from historic airfields such as Old Sarum, Netheravon, Larkhill & Upavon to further afield on the Western Front in France. Around 99% of the artefacts within the RFC Room are original, and were bequeathed from original RFC personnel to the RFC Association, which was setup post-war, so that one day, their personal stories of valour and sacrifice would be told for future generations. This grant is to support the purchase of one bespoke Museum-grade display cabinet to house one of our WW1 Royal Flying Corps uniforms, an original flying suit that would have been worn by pilots and observers stationed at Old Sarum and RFC airfields around the country & abroad. We have four mannequins which currently display original RFC flying uniforms that we are looking to have displayed within purpose-built Museum display cases – due to the size and rarity of these uniforms we have chosen to go with a local Museum-grade cabinet-making company in Fordingbridge who have been incredibly helpful in surveying our original flying uniforms and how to display them properly to the public. By housing these uniforms in museum-grade cabinets this will allow them to be conserved for future generations to view, learn and appreciate the sacrifice those brave men & women made during the First World War, many flying from our local airfield at Old Sarum, some sadly never to return. The Royal Flying Corps collection is housed in a room which was converted to present the best conditions available for both visitor engagement & for conservation of the artefacts held within (LED lights in the ceiling so as not to damage the original documents & photographs). We have operated a policy of closing the doors to allow for temperature and humidity to be closely managed & monitored since 2020, however while we have signs outside the Room encouraging people to visit to learn about the stories of these airmen, we are still looking at improvements that can be made to improve our visitor numbers. We have identified that we can still keep the doors closed to the RFC, but improve visibility to customers who enter our hangar by fitting replacement door panels from white PVC to glass, which would present a much more inviting frontage to the room than what is there currently. Our museum service has advised that the temperature must be kept in the range 18-25°C and relative humidity in the range of 40-65% with fluctuations of no more than 5% within an hour. This is less demanding than BS5454:2000, the British standard for the preservation of archival documents. We have monitored our temperatures in the RFC room since 2020 by the use of both a data logger and our hand-written data sheet, which is logged at the start & end every shift by BDAC RFC volunteers. In line with the above recommendations from the National Museum Directors' Council, we are looking to purchase archive materials to store in line with correct Museum guidance so they can be conserved properly and enable future generations to research, handle & display the thousands of original Royal Flying Corps & Royal Air Force documents, photographs and artefacts that we hold within our archive. At present our archive room is situated upstairs & is still fitted with the original 1980/1990's window blinds which were installed when Edgley Optica aircraft were being built in the hangar. We would like to install accurately-measured black-out vertical blinds in both rooms to ensure no direct sunlight (which is damaging) can fall on the documents, photographs & artefacts held within the two archive rooms.</p>					
ABG1430	Community Area Grant	Winterbourne Glebe Hall	Winterbourne Glebe Hall Audio Visual Capability Upgrade	£13286.40	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: Due to the unreliability of the Hall's current audio visual equipment (purchased ten years ago) and in response to increasing user requirements and improvements in technology, there is an essential need to upgrade our equipment and capability. Our project aims, over two phases, to replace our entire audio visual system. Phase one, which is the subject of this grant application, seeks to replace our malfunctioning projector and associated equipment with a laser projector, drop-down electric screen and all-round sound system. This will provide a suitable platform for associated equipment (funded by the Glebe Hall) such as a blue-ray player, Dolby surround outputs and a hearing loop system. Phase two, to be funded by the Parish Council, will include remote microphones and digital radio-microphone systems and smart-mixer systems.</p>					

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ABG1293	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	silver salisbury group	Community Outreach in Laverstock Ford Longhedge and Old Sarum	£2000.00	£1000.00
<p>Project Summary: Community outreach in Laverstock ,Ford, Longhedge and Old Sarum to distribute the new directory of activities in Salisbury and its surrounds and the Festive Fortnight programme in celebration of international Older People's Day 1st October. To encourage older people to book and attend, or visit ongoing group and post programme to run focus groups to get feedback, identify gaps, motivate and encourage local groups and activities and individual involvement.</p>					
ABG1425	Youth Grant	Alderbury Football Club	New Goals for Football Club	£3664.80	£1832.40
<p>Project Summary: To provide new up to date portable goals for our players</p>					
ABG1428	Youth Grant	Downton Parish Council	Moot Lane Play Park Grand Opening	£2000.00	£1000.00
<p>Project Summary: The play area in the Moot Lane Recreation Lane Ground was installed in the early 1970s with further equipment installed in 1990s, 2000s, and 2017. The Skatepark was built 2012. Equipment has reached 'end of life' resulting in increased maintenance costs to repair to the required BS standard. This is no longer economically viable. The Parish Council are refurbishing this play area with the aim of creating a more inclusive and modern range of play equipment to meet the expectations of children/youths of today and generations to come. As Downton has a history of anti-social behaviour by disengaged youths, the Parish Council conducted 'end user' Focus Groups with The Trafalgar School and Downton Primary School to gain feedback on what new equipment they wished to see installed in the Play Park. Specifically for the 13-19 year age range, the Parish Council has selected a double zip line, a Teqball Table, and a Physical Fitness Station. Teqball (a football-based sport, played on a specially-curved table which is attracting a new generation of athletes and amateur enthusiasts) has become the world's fastest-recognised sport in August 2018. Pre Grand Opening event: Community First Outreach Youth Workers will engage 13-19 year olds at Trefalgar School and within the community, encouraging them to attend the Grand Opening and take part in a Teqball Workshop. Grand Opening event: 1. Teqball Workshop (quote £875):- • 2x Teqball Staff • Nike footballs • Rules Boards • Fun Games & mini matches/tournament • Manage the Teqball Area • Table Hire (delivery, installation, collection) 2. Youth Workers present (with hot chocolate) for continued engagement. Opportunity to test interest (and take names) for future Workshops*. *The Parish Council are committed to long-term youth engagement and will be considering adding budget for future Teqball workshops (and Physical Fitness Station professional demos) in the 2024/25 budget preparation. A full Risk Assessment will be produced for the Grand Opening Event which will include a go/no-go decision in the days ahead in consideration of bad weather. This is a health and safety consideration given the nature of the equipment; some at height and with slippery surfaces. The Parish Council will fully engage with 'Teqball on Tour' in this respect with the option to postpone to a later date. A Grand Opening date has yet to be set as the Parish Council awaits Scheduled Monument Consent from Historic England before Vita Play are permitted onsite to commence works. Full stakeholder engagement is taking place and all parties are in agreement to an aspirational date for Feb 2024 (half-term).</p>					

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.

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