

Westbury Area Board

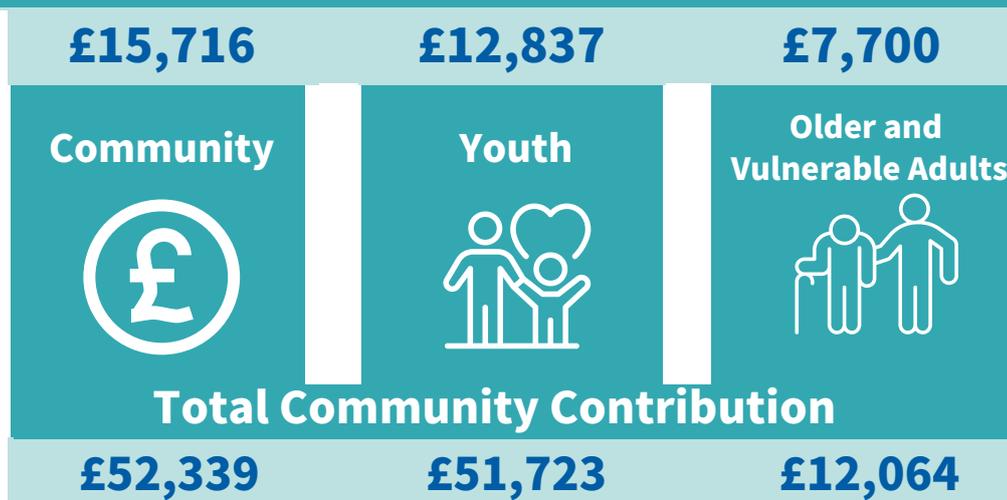
End of Year Report April 2023 - March 2024



Area Board Investment

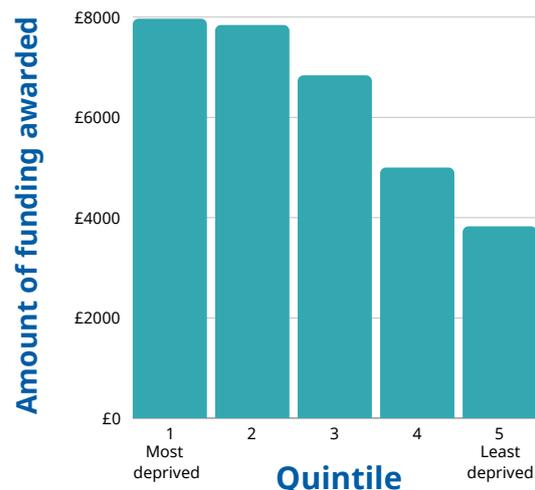
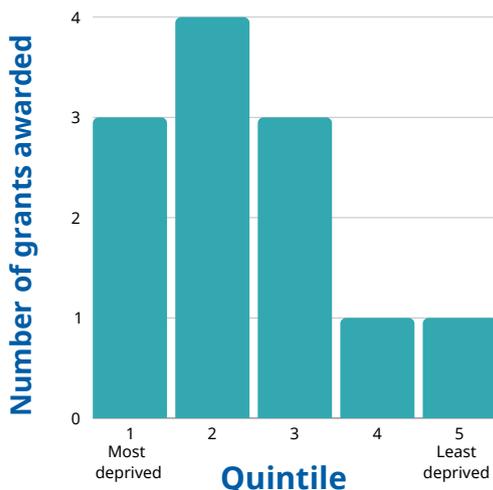
The Area Board invests in local community projects and initiatives that meet local priorities and deliver exceptional outcomes for residents. The Area Board aims to work in partnership to achieve maximum value for its investment.

Total Area Board Investment



The total amount invested in projects through additional community contribution, from fundraising, grants, services in kind or volunteering

Investment by deprivation quintile



Local Priorities

Westbury Area Board reviewed available local data and evidence and integrated this with local knowledge to agree the following local priority themes. The Area Board has undertaken a series of more local actions to positively address them, including the key activities below:

Wellbeing and Positive Activities for Young People



Westbury Area Board has supported multiple local youth organisations including Westbury Youth Club and the pop-up Youth Group at All Saints Church Parish Hall. Other key projects supported include the detached youth work project and teen talk run by 4 Youth Wiltshire, the Equivalent Project combatting self-harm in young people and the always popular Westbury Young People Awards.

Local Environment Action

Westbury Area Board continues to support Parish Councils within the community area to participate in the Pollinator Corridor Project, and has begun to extend this to extra sites in some villages. The Board is also working towards a large Westbury Environment Day event in partnership with Westbury Town Council. This was unfortunately postponed but will take place in 2025



Improving the health and wellbeing of our community



The Health and Wellbeing group continues to bring local organisations together and has begun working towards bringing a “Neighbourhood Collaborative” approach to Westbury. Last summer the group also held a Westbury Wellbeing Day Event to promote the services and activities available to older people in our community. The group has also supported local bowls clubs and the Community Workshop with grant funding.

Combatting Child Poverty

The area board has focused this year on combatting the impacts of child poverty, with a view to looking at the causes of child poverty in 2024/25. The area board continues to support mental health in young people through the teen talk service, the detached youth work project and the self-harm reduction project. The Area Board has also assisted Westbury Area Network to access additional funding through the Household Support Fund to support their foodbank activities.



Engagements

The Westbury Area Board works alongside other organisations to make things happen in the local community. These groups include the town and parish councils, voluntary and community groups, youth organisations, sports clubs and local charities.

The Area Board wouldn't be able to achieve what they do without these partners working on the ground with them. The Area Board hosts regular business meetings, engagement activities, events, surveys and working groups to stimulate and support local community action.

Area Board
Business meetings

4



Attendances

128

Area Board
working groups

9



Attendances

94

Engagements/
events/ activities

28



Attendances

490

Local Highways and Footpath Infrastructure group

The LHFIG is a sub group of the Westbury Area Board, which deals specifically with highway issues. They aim to find solutions for local transport issues, such as road repairs, traffic problems, road layouts and parking. The amount allocated is dependent on the geographical size and population for the community area and the funding allocation is for capital expenditure and can be used to provide new and improved highway infrastructure.

LHFIG meetings

4



Attendances

40



£20,061

LHFIG projects
completed

16

