

<b>Report To</b>	<b>Southern Wiltshire Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday, 27 May 2021</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report</b>

## Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire 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
<b>Opening Balance For</b> <u>2021/22</u>	<u>£45,284</u>	<u>£19,321</u>	<u>£15,200</u>
<b>Awarded To Date</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Current Balance</b>	<u>£45,284</u>	<u>£19,321</u>	<u>£15,200</u>
<b>Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations</b>	<u>£28,495.59</u>	<u>£17,453</u>	<u>£15,200</u>

## Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG40</a>	Community Area Grant	Swaything Housing Society trading as Abri	Good Grub Club Longhedge	£7402.02	£2310.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>            The Good Grub Club was set up by Abri's Community Involvement team in 2017 to help ease food poverty during the school holidays, providing both short term relief in terms of a free meal and long-term support in terms of teaching about nutrition and exercise to help families adopt healthier life choices. We currently run the club very successfully in other communities, utilising external funding from various providers and we believe it would be of great benefit to the families in Longhedge. The club would run weekly each school holiday and eligible families will benefit from healthy eating and cooking, understanding the importance of family mealtimes and will receive a free nutritious meal. Additional to this, the club is committed to providing physical educational activities for each family. This project has been delivered face to face but the pandemic lead us to creating an online service - food boxes of ingredients are delivered direct to the families with recipes and cooking tutorials are online. Items of sports play equipment are included ion the boxes to support and encourage activity at home. We can reach many more families delivering this way but due to the advanced planning required, the main associated cost to run these projects is ingredients. Fareshare are only able to donate a small percentage of the food as the items cannot be selected in advance. Using our experience delivering clubs in other areas, there is also a small cost to ensure families have suitable kitchen equipment to create the recipes and a cost to supplement any donated sports equipment. Abri would provide the staff, volunteers and other overheads. The local community centre have agreed to provide the venue for sorting ingredients and packing boxes, free of charge.</p>					
<a href="#">ABG63</a>	Area Board Initiative	1st Laverstock Scout Group	1st Laverstock Scout Group Nature Discovery Area	£3416.88	£1708.44

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<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>We are creating a community area which will provide 24/7 access for the local community to experience and discovery the value of nature to their lives. The site of the Nature Discovery Area is a bank between two fields and the bank of the River Bourne chalk stream. We have identified the need for the Nature Discovery Area for our Community through a Zoom meeting back in March of this year and have subsequently carried out pilot work to test how best the project could be realised. The idea of the Nature Discovery Area is for our local community to learn about the special nature on Laverstock Watermeadows, what the Meadows can do for us to help reduce climate change, clean air and water, reduce flooding and support wildlife including pollinating insects that help pollinate fruit trees and other food producing plants. In particular the Nature Discovery Area will provide a safe outdoor learning environment for young people which will be an invaluable resource for the community.</b></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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