

Report To	Westbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	Thursday, 25 November 2021
Title of Report	Westbury Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Westbury 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>	£ 31,433	£ 12,892	£ 7,700
Awarded To Date	£ 1,150	£ 5,325	£ 1,620
Current Balance	£ 30,283	£ 7,567	£ 6,080
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 16,283	£ 7,567	£ 5,155

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG194	Community Area Grant	Westbury Youth FC	Redland Lane improvements	£8000.00	£4000.00
Project Summary: Installation of ball stop netting to reduce damage to neighbouring houses as well as cladding of containers with timber.					
ABG230	Community Area Grant	Dilton marsh and Brokerswood PCC	Holy Trinity church Projector and Screen with sound system upgrade	£16814.00	£5000.00
Project Summary: Installation of fixed retractable screen and fixed projector for presentations. Upgrade of present sound system					
ABG274	Community Area Grant	Edington Parish Council	Defibrillator for the western side of Edington	£1850.00	£925.00
Project Summary: There is already a defibrillator at the eastern end of the village but this lies outside the recognised time frame to make it accessible for residents at the western end of the village. The purchase of this second unit will ensure that all of the main parts of the village have access to this life saving equipment.					

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG277	Community Area Grant	Westbury and District Cricket Club	Westbury and District Cricket Club Grounds Maintenance Project	£11500.00	£5000.00

Project Summary:

Westbury & District Cricket Clubs aim is to foster and promote the sport of cricket at all levels within the community and within the sport, providing opportunities for recreation, coaching and competition. On a Friday 60 - 100 junior - ECB All Stars (5-8yrs), ECB Dynamoes (8-11yrs), U-11's, U13's, U15's are coached by qualified volunteers. The Club runs 2-3 adult teams and a ladies team playing in local leagues including the Wiltshire Cricket league and the West of England Premier League, a playing and non playing roster of 200+. The ground also hosts croquet teams, running events, football coaching and local football teams in the 'off' season. To ensure that all members, playing and non-playing, abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and by the Laws of Cricket. The club ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB 'Safe Hands – Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' and any future versions of the Policy. Also the club ensures a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB Club Inclusion and Diversity Policy (*) and any future versions of the Policy. The Cricket Club previously received revenue from Places Leisure who operated the Leighton Centre (up to £16,500 pa) to maintain and prepare the wicket & ground. This money was used entirely to pay an external contractor to do this work. Following the 'insourcing' of the Leighton Sports Centre by Wiltshire Council this revenue has now ceased. With this being more than the clubs annual revenue the decision was made in September 2021 to insource the grounds work. The club has trained/ is training volunteers (players) with the skills to carry out the necessary works but has no machinery. The following machinery required will be second hand at a total cost of £11500 + VAT Roller £4,500 Dennis ft 510 with multi blade cylinder for pitch prep £1500.00 Dennis ft510 with tungsten tipped verti cut cassette £1500.00 Sisis auto roto rake mk4 power brush for brushing up grass in pitch prep and for brushing up used pitch £1500 Tplex 185d outfield triple mower £2500.00. Other machines - blower, strimmer, fertiliser spreader, rotary mower, bits and pieces plus hosepipes water tractor etc etc £500.00 The awarding of a £5,000 grant will go some way towards the purchase of the machinery which will allow the club to keep the ground at its current high standards but also secure the clubs financial security and the opportunity to deliver the clubs development plan as an integral part of the local community. The materials, machinery repairs, cricket equipment, coaching and other operating costs will be covered by membership, bar takings (we are using a converted shipping container as the council have also limited the opening hours of the Leighton centre and the bar within to close early on match days), sponsorship and fund raising.

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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