

Report to Tidworth Area Board
Date of meeting 22nd January 2018
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
T2a	£905.00	Accept
Any Body Can Cook	£1503.24	Accept
Salisbury Playhouse	£5000.00	Accept
Wellington Academy DofE	£1200.00	Accept

1. Background

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2016/2017 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure

- 4.1. Tidworth Area Board was allocated £14,070 (including rollover from previous year)
- 4.2. The Tidworth Area Board Youth Funding balance for 2016/17 is £12,455.00
- 4.3. All decisions must fall within the Youth Funding allocated to Tidworth Area Board.
- 4.4 If funding is awarded in line with the LYN recommendations outlined in this report Tidworth Area Board will have a Youth Funding balance of £5,461.76

1. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

2. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

3. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council’s Public Sector Equality Duty.

4. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

5. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 2598	T2a	Family Learning Pottery	£905.00
<p>Project description</p> <p>After the very successful Family Learning Festival in October half term I would like to continue to have some community pottery sessions as the sessions offered were very popular and places taken up within a few days of advertising. Many people therefore were unable to have a go and have asked me to try and organise some more sessions. The Salisbury arts Centre has put together 3 Tidworth Pottery Project Proposal sessions for 70 people for February half term and Easter holidays 2018</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £905.00</p>			
Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 526	Any Body Can Cook	Any Body Can Cook Netheravon	£1503.2

Project description

A project for young people supporting their development of practical cookery skills to support them in their transition into independent living and potential skills for employment.

The application has arisen following the popularity of a free family learning session we ran at Netheravon village hall as part of Tidworth's family learning week. The project supports the JSA priorities of addressing child poverty and childhood obesity promoting healthy lifestyles through the opportunities to prepare and cook simple nutritious and economic meals. From the sessions there are possible progression routes that could be accessed and we can support young people to do so. Historically Any Body Can Cook has a number of learners who have progressed onto both further accredited courses and work in the catering industry. Increase employment opportunities and youth activities through the social nature of the sessions new networks may develop and self confidence and other softer skills increase which support participants when accessing employment and other activities. The sessions also support young people to connect with their communities enabling them to belong and contribute to society - through engagement with peers and other agencies who can offer opportunities or support. - To provide opportunities for young people to take part in a range of activities where they can socialise safely with their peers and develop relationships including with adults they can trust - through the provision of a safe environment where everyone is valued and respected. - Encourage young peoples personal and social development - through the acquisition of essential transferable life skills and sharing food they have cooked together. - Improve young peoples physical and mental health and emotional well-being - through the development of new skills by participating in a positive activity in a safe and stimulating environment learning how to cook and eat healthily and the development of friendships and support networks within the group. - Help young people to achieve in education work or training - through the development of new skills. - Prevent and divert young people away from risky behaviours e.g. teenage pregnancy substance misuse and involvement in crime and anti-social behaviour - through partnership support and signposting as well. We would anticipate working with approximately 50 young people the youth group has over 100 on its books so we will ensure all that wish to participate have the opportunity over a series of 12 monthly sessions. The project will be accessible as we will be using the existing youth club venue that are convenient to get to and has access for all. The sessions will be affordable as they will be free to attend. The content will be flexible and the young people who engage will have some ability to negotiate content in order that it meets their individual needs and therefore empower them to actually use what they have learned. The project can accommodate those with additional learning or physical/medical needs as the facilitator ABC Cook has a variety of equipment and strategies to support every learners individual requirements. Evidence and examples can be provided on request. Any special dietary requirements can also be catered for within sessions. Any Body Can Cook already has a large partnership base which will be accessed if appropriate to support delivery.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1503.24

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 525	Salisbury Playhouse	Stage 65	£5000.00

Project description

In Autumn 2016 Salisbury Playhouse created a three year programme of activity entitled Salisbury Plain Project which will see our Stage 65 Youth Theatre expand its reach across

Salisbury Plain. Working with hubs at secondary schools across the area which lack professional drama support we will engage young people in creating high quality theatre performances increasing access to the arts for young people who face rural isolation. Our parallel aim is that the project will enable greater community cohesion especially for young families across this heavily militarised area and in response to the dramatic increase in returning military personnel.

Salisbury Playhouse is seeking funding to continue our Stage 65 Youth Theatre sessions at Wellington Academy in Tidworth bringing theatre activity to young people and their families in this rural military community. Workshops are led by our Community Youth Theatre Practitioner.

In summer 2018 we hope to create a performance exploring the history of World War One, engaging a leading UK theatre company to collaborate with the young people on devising this outdoor performance which will be shared with family and friends. We also provide subsidised tickets for participants throughout the year for Salisbury Playhouse Productions to engage young people and their families in additional theatre activities. This feeds into our ambition for greater audience development for theatre work of a more diverse nature. Our project addresses the rural isolation facing Wiltshires young people particularly at secondary school age. By forming educational hubs at schools and taking sessions to the community we are removing the common rural barriers of travelling costs. Young people who are not ordinarily able to attend Salisbury Playhouse for Youth Theatre sessions or even to see productions will benefit from equal opportunities. This ensures access for young people to the creative and technical knowledge of professional practitioners helping them to develop drama skills and build confidence motivational and social skills. This increases their educational achievements and consequent employability creating a long term impact on their future - especially important for those who attend schools which currently lack professional drama support and expertise. Rural isolation is particularly intensified in this area by the strong military presence on Salisbury Plain.

Our project will therefore also address the need to support military civilian integration across the Salisbury Plain area specifically for young families through engagement in the arts and culture. With the development of Britains first Super Garrison on Salisbury Plain Wiltshires military presence is dramatically increasing. By 2020 one third of Britains military will be based in Wiltshire. By bringing theatre directly into the community we will create opportunities for both military and civilian families and encourage integration. We aim to create stronger community cohesion throughout this extensively rural area prioritising young people from marginalised groups both military and civilian. We will help to build a sense of community and integration between both civilian and military families on Salisbury Plain as many military personnel and their families are new to the area and civilian families need and want to integrate into these new communities. Military civilian integration has been prioritised by Wiltshire Council as one of the strategic aims of this major development. Consequently Salisbury Playhouse has identified the need to develop relationships with the regions military community as a priority. We have already seen success through our existing work with Wellington Academy which has an approximately 55% military family presence among its students. Stage 65 Tidworth engages over 30 local young people in high quality theatre activity. Our ambition is to see increased levels of engagement throughout the three years in 2018. Participants have created and devised work which they have shared with and performed to over 200 family members and community audiences as well as our Salisbury Playhouse audiences. Again we hope to see this increase further as the project develops. Our project has enabled those who have almost no access to cultural infrastructure to experience and take part in the arts. Using the school as a base for youth theatre sessions has enabled us to engage those local young families most in need and feedback from participants has shown a great propensity for our work. We provide leaflets for circulation as well as other advertising means throughout the local area and onsite at our theatre. We also promote free taster workshops to engage prospective participants. However we find communicating information about the project directly through our partner schools and networks within the military community is the most effective way to reach

beneficiaries. We work closely with our partner schools to refer students to the project. This ensures our project is inclusive and that we are reaching those who are most in need e.g. those from a military family or suffering from rural isolation or socio-economic inequality we can also guarantee that bursaries are appropriately allocated. We work closely with contacts and networks within the military community as well for example HQ South West and the Army Welfare Service who refer young people and their families to the project from outside the school environment. standard of quality through-out the sector and set an aspiration for other organisations to follow Wiltshires example in presenting high quality artistic experiences for a diverse range of young people and the UKs

Our ambition is for core activity to become self-sustaining through an ongoing commitment from Salisbury Playhouse and our experienced Take Part team. Although any additional work with external practitioners will only be possible with additional funding the main aim and legacy of this project is to establish a specialised programme of outreach work and build a cultural infrastructure to benefit the Salisbury Plain community support military civilian integration and those young people most in need.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £5000.00

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 507	Wellington Academy CCF	DofE Club	£1200.00

Project description

With the loss of the Wiltshire Council DofE licence the Academy has become a Directly Licensed Centre. From April 2018 this will entail the payment of £1200 license fee. Funding is requested to help pay for the license to keep DofE affordable for local students.

The DofE programme offers between 30-40 of our students an amazing opportunity to widen their education and experience to include outdoor expeditions community volunteering engagement in sport and the learning of a new skill. This all takes place in the Tidworth area and encourages young people to develop a much wider and deeper relationship with their local community. We have engaged with the Community Engagement Manager to identify opportunities for volunteering and community involvement by our young people. Currently we charge 20 for registration and 10-15 for each expedition and we offer subsidies for FSM students Service Children and others in financial difficulty. The DofE programme is delivered voluntarily by Academy members of staff. Without financial support for the cost of the DofE License the cost of DofE would have to rise to about 100 - 150 which would be unaffordable to the majority of our students.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1200.00

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

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