

Report to Melksham Area Board
Date of meeting Wednesday 5th September 2018
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for young persons funding listed below.

Grants have been assessed by the Community Engagement Manager in line with the criteria for funding for young people. As per the agreement set by Councillors at the April Area Board, the Melksham Local Youth Network Management Group (LYNMG) is currently not in operation.

Applicant	Amount requested	CEM input
Young Melksham – No Limits Club	£5,000.00	The grant application meets the 2018/19 grants criteria
Melksham Rugby Club	£511.60	The grant application meets the 2018/19 grants criteria

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.

Note: as per the above statement, the LYN Management Group for Melksham is currently not in operation.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2018/2019 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.

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

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.

8. 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.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Young Melksham 2018/1	Young Melksham	No Limits Club	£5,000.00
Project description Young Melksham's No Limits group is for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities SEND aged 13 to 25 years. We run a variety of activities of our young people including games sports cooking karaoke and quizzes. We aim to make our sessions as inclusive as possible so no one is left out regardless of ability. Our current members have a wide range of needs and abilities. For some of our young people it is the only time in the week they socialise with friends.			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Melksham Rugby Club 2018/1	Melksham Rugby Club	Melksham RFC Girls Rugby	£511.60
Project description At Melksham RFC we are trying to nurture Girls Rugby. The Club has previously managed Girl Teams but recently these have ceased. We are now building a new Girls training and playing environment at the Club but training and playing equipment as a resource is limited.			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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