

<b>Report to</b>	Southern Wiltshire Area Board
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	28/01/2021
<b>Title of Report</b>	Community Area Grant funding

**Purpose of the report:**

To consider the applications for funding listed below

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> Salisbury Older People's champion <b>Project Title:</b> Taking afternoon tea to isolated older people  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£200.00 (NB: application approved under delegated officer authority in December)
<b>Applicant:</b> My Salisbury <b>Project Title:</b> Community Journalism and Media Training Project  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£4479.97
<b>Applicant:</b> Devenish Bradshaw Trust <b>Project Title:</b> City to Countryside Dog Trails - Digital and On-site  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£940.00
<b>Applicant:</b> ArtCare <b>Project Title:</b> ArtCare Well-being TV at Salisbury District Hospital  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£2500.00
<b>Applicant:</b> 1st Downton Scout Group <b>Project Title:</b> 1st Downton Scout Group Scout Hut Refurbishment  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£4500.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Alderbury Parish Council <b>Project Title:</b> Speed Indicator Device for Alderbury  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£1000.00

## **1. Background**

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

## **2. Main Considerations**

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2020/2021 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

## **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**

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**

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.

## 9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3970</a>	salisbury older people's champion	Taking afternoon tea to isolated older people	£200.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>            To help alleviate isolation by delivering a gift of afternoon tea the last weekend of January to 40 older people living alone isolating or shielding in localities in the Southern Area Board beyond the Salisbury periphery.</p> <p>To involve good neighbours, covid mutual aid schemes, domicilliary and other care providers, to nominate individuals meeting the criteria.</p> <p>Tea packs to include community information quiz physical and cultural activities. Volunteers to bake aware of dietayu requirements and deliver whilst mindful of GDPR and vulnerability. This will also provide an opportunity to consult on Silver Salisbury 2021 programme and assess the potential and viability for further geographic reach for future events. NB this project has been delayed by lockdown 3</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b>            The funding award was agreed in consultation with the chairman in December under delegated officer authority, as the intention was to purchase the contents for the afternoon tea packs in early/mid January. The area board is therefore asked to note that this funding request has previously been approved.</p>			
<p><b>Proposal</b>            That the Area Board notes this application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3989</a>	My Salisbury	Community Journalism and Media Training Project	£4479.97
<p><b>Project Description:</b>            Community Journalism and media training for a volunteer group of content creators. Utilising the lovesalisbury.co.uk platform which targets South Wiltshire we intend to train volunteers in media and journalism skills through workshops and training programmes. The aim is to cover events activities and stories that wouldn't receive coverage from commercial news outputs.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b>            This is a new venture for South Wiltshire, and will, in time, replace with an even stronger 'grass roots/community feel' the previous offer from Spire FM. The organisation is in its first year of operation, and a not for profit outfit, aspiring to involve and professionally train volunteers as part of its community journalism strategy.</p>			
<p><b>Proposal</b>            That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3979</a>	Devenish Bradshaw Trust	City to Countryside Dog Trails - Digital and On-site	£940.00

**Project Description:**

Dog trails on-line information and on-site infrastructure for dog owners to have enhanced opportunities for exercising their pets while minimising negative impacts on livestock wildlife and other greenspace users in Laverstock and Ford and neighbouring Parishes.

**Who will benefit and how:**

Old people and young people both derive enormous benefit from dogs whether they own a dog or enjoy interacting with dogs they meet. Dog owners and people who interact with dogs are proven to gain both physical and mental benefits. Dogs are deployed as care animals in care homes and for people in suffering for this reason. The majority of dog owners report that dogs have helped them cope with coronavirus lockdown restrictions. Dog owners are the most frequent visitors to parks and the countryside and play an important role in helping to maintain security in greenspaces. Dogs encourage people to explore the natural environment and well behaved dogs are avid watchers and sniffers of wildlife drawing their owners attention to all manner of delights from hedgehogs to frogs. Dog ownership is booming as people increasingly look towards staycations as the holiday option of choice. Local dog owners persuaded to exercise their pets on routes from their houses will help reduce traffic by not driving to alternative locations further afield. The negative impacts of dogs on wildlife and livestock are well documented as are issues with dog mess presenting health hazards for livestock and people. Our project aims to provide opportunities for dog owners to exercise their pets build a stronger bond between person and dog and also enjoy the rich natural heritage of Laverstock and surrounding Parishes. We own 55 Acres of watermeadows which are bordered by a chalk stream and full of wildlife. We want dog walkers to enjoy enhanced managed access through our watermeadows and also through the urban parks country park open down land and farmed countryside in the local area. This project will help dog walkers find new routes to exercise their dogs enhance facilities for dog owners in the local area and encourage more dog owners to visit dog friendly cafes and pubs and stay at dog friendly holiday accommodation in Southern Wiltshire. The Devenish Bradshaw Trust is a new landholding charity set up in 2018. Our charitable objectives are 1 to preserve conserve and protect the land known as the water meadows in Laverstock the water meadows and its chalk valley riverine habitats 2 to advance the education of the community in Laverstock and the surrounding areas in agriculture horticulture and environmentally-based educational projects concerning the preservation conservation and management of the water meadows 3 to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation for the benefit of the public in the interest of their social welfare 4 to advance promote or carry out such other charitable purposes as the charity trustees in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3982</a>	ArtCare	ArtCare Well-being TV at Salisbury District Hospital	£2500.00

**Project Description:**

To establish a designated ArtCare link on Hospedia bedside TVs at Salisbury District Hospital SDH to broadcast well-being activities such as live music theatre storytelling art and craft tutorials. Activity will be populated on ArtCares website and be available at the bedside for free to all SDH patients staff and local community.

This will complement our wider activity programme including the Elevate project bringing live music and arts activity to patients on the wards which we are currently unable to deliver in its full capacity due to Covid restrictions. This includes working with local 3rd sector organisations to expand content for SDH patients and introduce them to creative opportunities in the local area.

**Who will benefit and how:**

Wellbeing TV would potentially reach 420 SDH patients 24hrs a day every day of the year. With new content regularly being uploaded from the ArtCare website long stay patients could access a variety of activity to suit their own tastes and well-being needs. Trained hospital volunteers would support vulnerable patients in how to access the content which is all free currently only the radio is free via Hospedia and patients have no access to ArtCares well-being resources . This online resource would also be available to hospital staff to support their mental health the local community and beyond via the ArtCare website. Being available online and via the bedside TVs there is huge scope to connect people to community organisations live streaming links from local arts heritage partners and build-in social prescribing information via GP links. Patients will also be given opportunities to co-design content. This will be an invaluable resource for staff to offer patients with dementia as they can utilise the content at any time day or night to reassure and calm as well as using activities to engage patients.

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3969</a>	1st Downton Scout Group	1st Downton Scout Group Scout Hut Refurbishment	£4500.00

**Project Description:**

Our project is to make our Scout Hut fit for purpose given our increasing number of young people by reconfiguring it to increase the number of toilets making them all gender-neutral with better accessibility with sufficient handwashing facilities and to enlarge and improve the inside kitchen facilities as well as adding an external kitchen and wash-up. These improved handwashing facilities including hand gel dispenses and increased space for social distancing will provide a more Covid-safe space.

**Who will benefit and how:**

All Scout Hut users will benefit from gender neutral toilets with improved accessibility handwashing facilities hot water and refillable soap dispensers. The current urinals are extremely water wasteful as they have automatic flushing which occurs every 15 minutes. New toilets with dual flush will reduce our water consumption as well as the volume going into our septic tank. Our plan is to end up with x2 gender-neutral toilets and one accessible one with three handwashing basins. Refurbishing the kitchen to provide hygienic facilities will enable our Scout Group of over 80 young people other local community users and other Scout and Guide groups which use the hut eg during camps in the summer to experience better facilities. The external kitchen and wash-up area will create an outdoor environment where social distancing is possible that can be used during section evenings camps and the suchlike by young people and leaders. It will enable us to cater for events and extend the range of activities that we can organise. It will also allow more young people to use the kitchen and learn the life skills of cooking and food hygiene during Beaver Cubs or Scout meetings. We have a large waiting list and plans were afoot to pilot a second Beaver Colony and Cub Pack just prior to lock-down and we also have plans to develop an Explorer Unit 14-18 years. These are needed as given our relatively rural location there are limited accessible facilities locally for young people and we have also recently seen a rise in anti-social behaviour in the area. During both lockdowns we have managed to deliver a virtual programme to support our young people. When we return to face-to-face Scouting a key focus was and will continue to be working with our young people to support their mental health and well-being

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Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">3992</a>	Alderbury Parish Council	Speed Indicator Device for Alderbury	£1000.00

**Project Description:**

To purchase and install a portable solar powered speed indicator device. The device will be used at various locations to address serious speeding issues. The SID will augment and support the work of the local Speedwatch team and provide meaningful data for analysis.

**Who will benefit and how:**

There is a significant problem with speeding vehicles in the village. This has been evidenced through previous Metrocount surveys and has been addressed in part by the local team of Speedwatch volunteers. However residents still report their concerns and the SID will help to slow traffic speeds further and improve highway safety. Local residents visitors and road users will all benefit.

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That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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