

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

Purpose of the report:

To consider the late grant application listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Downton Football Club Project Title: Clubhouse Community Project View full application	£5000.00

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
4097	Downton Football Club	Clubhouse Community Project	£5000.00
<p>Project Description: Downton Football Club is renovating and re-opening a Social Club building and adjoining function room that closed in 2020 due to COVID.</p> <p>Our aim is to re-open the venue as a social and wellbeing centre for the local community with any proceeds going to support Downton Football Clubs youth football.</p> <p>We have fundraised circa 17000 inc 6000 Sport England match-fund grant, but need to raise 3000 more in next 9 days to secure Sport England funding and 8000 more in total. More information can be found at httpswww.crowdfunder.co.ukdownton-football-club-community-clubhouse-projectcommentsstart</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: The social club is a well used community asset, and will be used as a vaccination centre for the pandemic response.</p> <p>The football club now has ten children teams from under 5 through to under 18 girls providing sport coaching teamwork skills. The Clubhouse will provide a base for all teams' undercover facilities for group sessions in bad weather. The now defunct social club provided a social base for many people especially lower socio-economic groups in Downton which the club will restore, including a Bingo Club a bridge club pool and darts teams. The club is also in advanced communication with Downton GP Practice to allow usage for loneliness and wellbeing groups to support their social prescribing and COVID response.</p> <p>The application meets the grant criteria.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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