

<b>Report To</b>	<b>Corsham Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday, 21 July 2022</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Corsham Area Grant Report</b>

## Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Corsham Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through subgroups.

## Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
<b>Opening Balance For</b> <u>2022-23</u>	£ 16,527.00	£ 13,816.00	£ 7,700.00
<b>Awarded To Date</b>	£ 0.00	£ 6,274.00	£ 0.00
<b>Current Balance</b>	£ 16,527.00	£ 7,542.00	£ 7,700.00
<b>Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations</b>	£ 6,658.92	£ 6,142.00	£ -870.00

## Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
<a href="#">ABG642</a>	Community Area Grant	Colerne Rugby Football Club Limited	Colerne RFC Match Floodlights	£71829.00	£5000.00

### Project Summary:

We have received planning permission to replace our old training lights which had come to the end of their useful life with a new set of floodlights capable of allowing matches to be played under them as well as training. The cost of the project is £65,189 (£54,324 + 10,865 VAT) for 6 number 15 m columns and 14 floodlights giving a light lux of 250. The club is VAT registered however due to the complexities of VAT recovery for sports clubs the club must budget for full payment of the VAT in the first instance however the RFU is providing the free services of a VAT expert to help recover the VAT to the fullest extent possible. The Government via Sport England and the RFU are providing a £50,000 loan to part fund the project at 2% fixed interest over 10 years meaning a total repayment of £56,640 is due. The club currently hires the ground in the winter months to the Box touch rugby group on a Monday night and used the ground for training on a Thursday evening. The new lights will enable us to play a limited number of Wednesday night friendlies and also transfer some Saturday matches to Friday night when they clash with England International matches. The new facility will also be available to hire at competitive rates to other village bodies if required.

<a href="#">ABG669</a>	Community Area Grant	Park Place Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and Park Place Residents Association	Defibrillator	£1700.00	£600.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>We had the need for one a few nights ago and discovered we are in an area without one. We would like to request a grant to put toward a defibrillator for our community please</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG732</a>	Community Area Grant	Corsham Cricket Club	Corsham Cricket Club 2nd Ground Redevelopment	£8536.16	£4268.08
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>In March 2022, Corsham Cricket Club reached a 15-year agreement with St Barnabas Church in Beanacre to restore its disused playing field into a new 2nd Ground for Corsham Cricket Club to use for its 3rd XI league matches and to further expand and develop its existing academy and support its expanding Ladies Team. This project involves not only hours or volunteer labour to cultivate the field into a useable format but the purchase of various bit of capital equipment to enable cricket to be played successfully and safely by our members and members but also by members of the local community. This specific grant application is for the purchase of 3 parts of essential cricket equipment: 1) 2 Mobile Site Screens. Essential Safety equipment in cricket to allow players from both sides to site the ball better when it is bowled. 2) Mobile Covers. As our pitch is prepared by volunteers and sometimes the English Summer can be cruel, the ability to protect your wicket with mobile covers is essential to both increase the volume of games played and to improve the quality of pitches people play on in said games. 3) New Artificial Matting. There is an existing matting in place however once tested by the club players it has been deemed to be unsafe and not fit for usage. An artificial mat allows matches to be played when conditions are not always 100%, unlimited practice to take place (no damage being caused to the main grass pitches) and a wider variety of games to be played (different age groups play on different length pitches thus an artificial mat that is easily marked up and prepared allows at short notice to host various different age range games). The purchase of these 3 big items will allow the club to truly maximise the potential of this ground and fulfil the true potential of this project, widening crickets appeal to the local community and allow us to really establish this venue as a quality cricket ground for the future.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG721</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Folio Theatre	Creative Workshops with senior community members in Corsham	£8000.00	£3750.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>A series of creative workshops with senior members of the community (aged 65+) in Corsham and surrounding villages, focused on improving the accessibility of creative and cultural opportunities for older people in Wiltshire. Using drama techniques we will explore themes of dreams and ambition through music and movement, helping reduce social isolation and keep residents active. Participants will also have the opportunity to meaningfully contribute to the development of a new piece of theatre which they will be able to watch and feedback on throughout the process, as well as help us, and our local partners, understand the best ways of embedding access (such as integrated captioning) as an artistic choice in order to reach and engage older audiences across Wiltshire. This work will be supported by an Access Consultant. Age is a protected characteristic sometimes overlooked when considering access and this means that older people can sometimes be excluded from theatre and creative experience that would have a positive impact on their wellbeing. This is something we want to address through this process and beyond. These workshops sit alongside other projects we are running across the county to improve the accessibility of our work for D/deaf and disabled communities, as well as those for whom English is not their first language.</b></p>					
<a href="#">ABG734</a>	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Inclusive Intergenerational Dance trading as iID	Opening Doors	£17710.00	£4820.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>To engage and support isolated older adults who are potentially isolated and struggling with feeling of loneliness, to identify and participate in creative activity that has shown to help them to get out of the house, meet and connect with new people and their community, improve their mental and physical health, try new activities, and learn new skills. As well as helping to shape and develop new opportunities. Over the next year iID would like to deliver socially prescribed 1:1s in art, movement and poetry in older adult's homes for are struggling with physical and mental health issues and then encourage them to our art, music and seated and standing creative movement groups at The Pound, Creative Lunch at Springfield and Creative movement group at Holton House, as well as signposting to other local activities and developing new opportunities with participants.</b></p>					

<a href="#">ABG737</a>	Youth Grant	TEDxCorsham	TEDxCorsham	£2800.00	£1400.00
<p><b>Project Summary:</b>  <b>A TEDx event is a local gathering where live TED-like talks and performances are shared with the community. TEDx events are fully planned and coordinated, on a community-by community basis. The content and design of each TEDx event is unique and developed independently by a group of volunteers, but all of them have features in common. We aim to have four speakers and two performers who will start conversations on multiple important topics such as the environment, mental health and disability. We are working with The Corsham School and hope to have one of their students speak, as well as offering volunteering opportunities for other students on the night. As a 17-year-old student, I helped to organise TEDxCorsham in 2017/2018 and found it to be a rewarding and enriching experience.</b></p>					

## 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 person's 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 subgroups 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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