
Melksham Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Melksham Area Board. These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
2. To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

| | Community Area Grants | Youth Grants | Older and Vulnerable People Grants |
|---|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Opening Balance For 23/24 | £ 22,309.00 | £ 18,349.00 | £ 7,700.00 |
| Awarded To Date | £ 0.00 | £ 0.00 | £ 0.00 |
| Current Balance | £ 22,309.00 | £ 18,349.00 | £ 7,700.00 |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 20,309.00 | £ 18,349.00 | £ 7,700.00 |

Grant Funding Application Summary

| Application Reference | Grant Type | Applicant | Project | Total Cost | Requested |
|--|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| ABG1109 | Community Area Grant | Bowerhill Village Hall Trust | Bowerhill Village Hall new flooring | £11370.00 | £1000.00 |
| Project Summary: To replace the floor-covering in the main hall and both meeting rooms (contiguous). | | | | | |
| ABG1182 | Community Area Grant | Melksham Music and Drama | Radio Mics | £7198.00 | £1000.00 |
| Project Summary: We are performing Joseph & His Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat during September at The Assembly Hall and we would like to buy radio mics to use on stage for this show and any future shows. The complete package will cost £7198 although I understand I can only ask for £1000 towards the project. | | | | | |

Background

3. 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.
4. 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)
 - Youth Grants (revenue)
 - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

Main Considerations

6. 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 persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

Safeguarding Implications

9. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Public Health Implications

10. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Environmental & Climate Change Implications

11. 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.

Financial Implications

12. Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

Legal Implications

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

Workforce Implications

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

Equalities Implications

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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