

Report to	Malmesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	07/09/2016
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Malmesbury Bowls & Social Club Project Title: New Kitchen for Bowls Club View full application	£3900.00
Applicant: Sherston Parish Footpath Group Project Title: Sherston Footpath Group replacement of broken stiles View full application	£500.00
Applicant: Malmesbury Concert Band Project Title: Malmesbury Concert Band Music Stand Lights View full application	£225.00
Applicant: Malmesbury Community Choir Project Title: Malmesbury Community Choir Conductors Podium View full application	£245.00

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 2015/2016 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
1842	Malmesbury Bowls & Social Club	New Kitchen for Bowls Club	£3900.00
Project Description: Replacement of old and unsafe units and equipment in kitchen of Malmesbury Bowls and Social Club			
Input from Community Engagement Manager: Renovation of community facilities are important to the longevity of the resources available for community benefit. The Malmesbury Bowls and Social club is a well used resource both for sport and social occasions. Upgrading the kitchen will ensure it meets the health and safety requirements of a commercial kitchen along with improving the ongoing usage for events and matches. The group have obtained match funding from their reserves and are asking Area Board for 50% of the overall cost.			
Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2057	Sherston Parish Footpath Group	Sherston Footpath Group replacement of broken stiles	£500.00
<p>Project Description: Sherston is an active walking area and the footpath group supported by the Parish Council have produced a booklet and website covering several walks. This helps walkers and also bring customers to local businesses. However a number of stiles are unsafe and need replacing ideally with kissing gates. We are seeking matching funding. We have the full support of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This is a fantastic community led walking group who are endeavouring to improve the walking routes around the village for local benefit. They have contributed considerable time and effort to put a plan together for these routes and finding skilled locals willing to volunteer their time towards the project along side community donations. It is incredible important to restore and maintain these paths to ensure we can offer people a range of free walking activities to improve the health and wellbeing of the community.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2046	Malmesbury Concert Band	Malmesbury Concert Band Music Stand Lights	£225.00
<p>Project Description: The Malmesbury Concert Band has rehearsed and played in Malmesbury for over 150 years and each year we give a concert in the Town Hall. On 29 October 2016 we will again perform in the Town Hall but in a different venue the John Bowen Gallery which will require additional lighting to be able to see our music. We would like to purchase clip on stand lights to enable us to perform.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: The Malmesbury Concert band is a great local community group of musicians who have worked hard to raise half the funds for these valuable additions to the group. These stand lights will enable them to play more concerts in a range of locations. Both participating and listening to live music is very beneficial to peoples wellbeing.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2051	Malmesbury Community Choir	Malmesbury Community Choir Conductors Podium	£245.00
<p>Project Description: Malmesbury Community Choir is dedicated to giving as much musical joy to our</p>			

community as we can. We are always looking for new ways to take our singing out to places and people that might not otherwise have the opportunity to benefit from live music for example by visiting Athelstan House at Christmas 2016. We have realised we can massively expand the venues and settings we can sing in by providing our own portable podium for the conductor. This will remove the barrier of poor visibility for our 65 singers to create a high quality musical experience for our audiences wherever we may be singing.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This group of choir members work hard to constantly improve their performances and give back to the community by offer free concerts and organising events for vulnerable older people. The group are using their reserves to fund 50% of the podium and request the rest from Area Board. This podium will significantly improve performances and sight lines to the conductor.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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