

Report To Trowbridge Area Board

Date of Meeting Thursday, 16 March 2023

Title of Report Trowbridge Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Trowbridge Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

| | Community Area Grants | Young People | Health and Wellbeing |
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| Opening Balance For <u>2022/23</u> | £ 34,670.00 | £ 30,464.00 | £ 7,700.00 |
| Awarded To Date | £ 18,930.00 | £ 12,422.99 | £ 599.00 |
| Current Balance | £ 15,740.00 | £ 18,041.01 | £ 7,101.00 |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 9,990.00 | £ 6,196.39 | £ 4,801.00 |

Grant Funding Application Summary

| Application Reference | Grant Type | Applicant | Project | Total Cost | Requested |
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| ABG1065 | Community Area Grant | Bellefield C of E Primary and Nursery School | Bellefield PlayPod | £10700.00 | £5000.00 |

Project Summary:

Bellefield Primary School would like to introduce a Wiltshire Scrapstore PlayPod onto their school playground. This will be introduced to improve behaviour but also to encourage our pupils back to collaborative imaginative play as we are increasingly seeing the negative effects of COVID on the children playing. Our onsite Nursery will have access to the PlayPod as will the special school satellite classroom that uses our site. We also intend to open the PlayPod up to local church toddler groups and girl-guiding/scout groups to encourage community play. By working with Wiltshire Scrapstore we are joining an initiative of recycling across local businesses who provide their waste e.g. large spools and other manufacturing by-products that the children recycle through creative play. The programme focuses on teaching children the importance of recycling. This will be provided through Wiltshire Scrapstore training our existing staff as well as providing assemblies to our children discussing recycling.

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| ABG1085 | Community Area Grant | Kennet and Avon Woodturning club | Lighting and camera gantry | £1500.00 | £750.00 |
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Project Summary:

We wish to buy a gantry so that we can point cameras and lighting towards the lathe from above, as that gives the best view of the piece of wood and the tool the turner is using. It will also be in focus all the time. If the camera is to the side, the view can often be obscured by the turner's arm.

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| ABG915 | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | Trowbridge Child Wellbeing Partnership | Responding to challenging behaviour in the community | £1500.00 | £750.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: The project involves training at least 4 volunteers to deliver sessions for the wider community to make people aware of how to respond to trauma induced behaviour. Wiltshire Council has been rolling out a programme of training for staff working in Children's Services called Five To Thrive. This is an approach to responding to trauma induced behaviour based on neuroscience, developed by Knowledge Change Action (KCA). Trowbridge Child Wellbeing Partnership believes that this approach has been shown to be highly effective and is applicable not only to children and young people. The Partnership feels that disseminating the approach more widely through the Trowbridge Community could have significant benefits for the mental health and wellbeing of the community. To test this out a pilot community session was held in March 2022 to a mixed audience of Councillors, staff of Trowbridge Future, Trowbridge Town Hall, Active Trowbridge and Selwood Housing. The session was extremely successful and the evaluation report of it has been included with the application. The session was funded as a pilot by Wiltshire Council, however, their focus is on developing awareness of Five To Thrive across the whole of Wiltshire rather than saturate a particular area so they are unable to fund the training of community facilitators for Trowbridge., To reduce the cost of delivering further community sessions without direct KCA involvement the Partnership has worked with KCA to develop a community session that could be delivered by volunteer facilitators. This funding application is to cover the development cost of the session £400, training the volunteer community facilitators to deliver sessions to the wider community in Trowbridge £750. £150 to cover the cost of venue hire both for the training event and 4 future community events, this is based on the Town Hall's rate of £15 per hour, and £200 to cover the costs of materials for the community sessions e.g. flip chart paper, refreshments, any travel costs incurred by the volunteers. It is proposed to train a minimum of 4 volunteers who would each deliver a minimum of 1 session to 10 people over the course of a year so reaching a minimum of 40 people in the Trowbridge Community. Once trained the volunteers become an important resource for the community and there is no extra charge from KCA if more sessions are delivered. Volunteers need to have already done Five To Five Training, ideally the Five To Five trainer training and be experienced trainers. Five potential volunteers have been identified. In terms of target audience for the community sessions initial discussions have already taken place with Trowbridge Future, Trowbridge Town Hall and Selwood Housing and interest has also been expressed by school governors. Each community session delivered will be thoroughly evaluated. A modest outlay of money would support a significant attempt to improve the mental health and wellbeing of the Trowbridge Community.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG930 | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | Trowbridge Town Council | Park Yoga | £2100.00 | £1050.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: Park Yoga provides a free yoga outdoor in public parks in the UK. The sessions are free for one hour on Sunday mornings between May and September. Park Yoga is a registered charity and funded through donations and grants. In 2021 Trowbridge hosted its first Park Yoga with 984 people attending over the 20 week period, an average 49 per week. We would like to welcome Park Yoga back in 2023. One of the most cited benefits of taking part is the sense of community it instils in its participants. At a time of the cost of living crisis a project outdoors and open to all is much needed within Trowbridge. There is strong evidence base showing the benefits of access to greenspace and outdoor exercise on wellbeing and mental health.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG1073 | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | MONDAY WEDNESDAY CLUB | Subsidized Trips | £500.00 | £500.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: Our adult members have learning disabilities, mental, physical and medical issues and for the most part are self isolated and none can work. They look forward to going on interesting trips which help their health and well-being and self-esteem. Unfortunately prices of transport and admissions have increased vastly to the extent that costs to members would be beyond their means. Also, unfortunately the Club cannot subsidize these costs due to our running costs also having been increased. Therefore, we need to ask for extra funding to be able to make trips possible.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG909 | Youth Grant | Trowbridge Town Council | Urban Festival | £2689.24 | £1344.62 |

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| <p>Project Summary: We wish to work with key partners to provide a Urban Festival enabling young people to connect and take part in sports, music, activities, art and support organisations. The Urban Festival will be held at stallards park 5.00 - 8.30 on Friday 7th July allowing them to socialise safely and develop relationships with adults they can trust. All of the activities will improve young peoples self esteem , mental health and wellbeing and will afford us the opportunity to promote all activities available within the community. The Festival will also allow us to engage with the young people in consultation to understand how they view there community, town and how we can make Trowbridge better for our young people.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG1006 | Youth Grant | Trowbridge Athletic | Trowbridge Athletic | £1000.00 | £500.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: We require a grant of £1000 for many different factors within the club. First of all, and the main contributor for the need of this amount of money is to buy new kits and replace damaged kits. We buy our kits from Appin sports and they cost £23.99 for each kit if we were purchasing in bulk (over 24 kits.) We are looking to purchase around 30 new kits as 10 of are new players are without a permanent kit and the majority of the kits we own are very worn. This would cost us around £750, with shipping and tax included. We are also looking to buy 10 new balls, with some being training and some being match balls. This will cost us around £100. on top of new balls we are looking to purchase matchday equipment like bibs, nets and cones to provide more efficient and appropriate warm ups and cool downs for are players to prevent injuries. This should cost around £150.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG1048 | Youth Grant | Splash Community First | Splash in Trowbridge | £10812.25 | £5000.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: Splash is an early, voluntary youth intervention that supports young people facing challenges in their lives. Through action planning, 1:1 support and small group positive activities (online and face to face) we aim to empower young people through confidence & skill development. Through peer support we facilitate the development of positive behaviours, positive friendships & a desire to accept, value & respect each other thus reducing bullying. Working with high adult ratios (min 3:12) we are able to provide the supervision required to manage behaviours whilst encouraging, supporting, celebrating & praising our beneficiaries.</p> | | | | | |
| ABG1089 | Youth Grant | Wiltshire Arts Climate Action | Trowbridge Youth Climate Art Action | £10000.00 | £5000.00 |
| <p>Project Summary: There are two main overlapping parts, both to run for up to 12 months from receipt of grant funding, and a set of supporting activities. They are to take place in venues around the area such as the Town Hall and youth clubs in Trowbridge and the Area Board parishes, in evening, weekend and/or vacation sessions. 1. Large-group art making - Leading young people and those under 25 with SEN or Disabilities, and their families, in creating large-scale collective art works, using a structured process called Art Arena Games (A-Ag). 2. Delivering art into public spaces – Selecting artworks by children, young people and others, identifying suitable walls, fences etc., getting the owners’ and any other needed permissions, and supervising the painting of chosen artworks as publicly visible murals, either permanent or as removable hoardings. 3. Supporting activities – background and project sustainability activities including: a) Acquiring, storing, transporting and deploying materials and equipment. b) Training youth leaders, teachers, artists and climate advocates to run the two main activities. c) Raising matching funds, services and goods in kind to enable, expand and spread the activities. d) Advertising, documenting and publicising the art-making games and the public art initiatives. e) Admin and outreach work to enable the activities to develop and persist after 2023-24. f) Admin and outreach work to promote the Trowbridge Area’s model project across Wiltshire.</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 persons 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 sub groups 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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