

Report to	South West Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	09/12/2015
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Tisbury Post Office Project Title: The Great Tisbury Brocante-Marquee Purchase. View full application	£1000.00
Applicant: Bishopstone Parish Council Project Title: Children's Play Area Additional Equipment View full application	£4200.00
Applicant: Mere Footpath Group Project Title: Mere Footpath Maintenance View full application	£441.90

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
1583	Tisbury Post Office	The Great Tisbury Brocante-Marquee Purchase.	£1000.00
Project Description: The Great Tisbury Brocante is a fun-day of vintage fairs Vide-greniers and antique markets involving the whole village. The aim is to promote local tourism welcome visitors to the village showcase Tisbury and promote local businesses.			
Input from Community Engagement Manager: The Area Board committed £1,600 towards start-up funding for this event on 4.2.15 as it ran for the first time in 2015. However, this funding was not claimed by the group as the event returned a surplus of £200 and the Area Board contribution was, therefore, not required. This project is specifically to fund the purchase of a marquee. At the time of writing this report the applicant is still assessing the best option, and a final quote will be provided before the Area Board makes any decision.			
Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1482	Bishopstone Parish Council	Children's Play Area Additional Equipment	£4200.00
Project Description: The existing Bishopstone Children's Play Area comprises a Play Train Swings and			

a Basketball Practice Court. The Mothers and Toddlers Group in the village have requested the provision of more play facilities for younger children. It is proposed to provide a play tower with decking ramp climbing wall and slide. Safety surfacing to be provided.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The Parish Council is offering to provide 50% of the funding required for this project.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
1497	Mere Footpath Group	Mere Footpath Maintenance	£441.90

Project Description:

We have been working over the past 4 years improving 49 stiles and gates in the parish using tools bought with a previous grant. Our biggest difficulty now is keeping paths clear of undergrowth and our own home tools are not up to the job so we would like to buy a professional quality brushcutter and accessories. We aim to provide safe access to walkers in the area.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Mere Footpath Group have been working closely with Wiltshire Council's Public Rights of Way team as part of the South West Wiltshire Improvement programme. The applicant reports that Mere Town Council have supported the group in buying materials for improving paths. They are also providing wood and hardware to complete the railings to make White bridge safe and they will be providing further materials to realise the group's ambition of easy access to all paths from the town.

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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