

Report to Trowbridge Area Board
Date of meeting 14th January 2016
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Trowbridge Sports Forum – Hayley Bell - Active Trowbridge	£7910.00	The LYN feel that this is a good project and the organisation has made sure that it is meeting the needs of young people from the Trowbridge Area. A full consultation has been completed to ensure that the areas wishing to participant in this project have been included. It meets the needs of the JSA and the Needs Assessment for Trowbridge as well as providing a positive activity for a full year for young people. The LYN would like to see this funding application supported upon receipt of some additional information.

1. Background

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.

- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council’s Public Sector Equality Duty.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 179	Trowbridge Sports Forum – Hayley Bell – Active Trowbridge	Active Street Football	£7910.00

Project description

Active Trowbridge have entered into a consultation with the young people from the local school to see whether they would still like to have a Active street football project in their local area. The consultation showed that a substantial number of young people from the super output areas of Trowbridge would like to see this and would get involved. Other community areas in Trowbridge have also been highlighted which will extend the project to meet the needs of young people. The project will be to run a year term time football coaching project to help build relationships within the local community by using football as a tool and getting the police and the PCSO’s involved to help build relationship between young people and the police. Football training sessions will run once a week for 13-18 year olds in their local community. (areas identified are Studley Green, Longfield, Paxcroft Mead, Bradley Gardens). Every month 7 members of each of the groups will come together to participant in a football league where prizes will be awarded. The league will take place in Trowbridge Park in Active Trowbridge inflatable football pitch and bubble football. The 7 players will rotate each month to be fair to all members of the project. Transport will be provided by

Active Trowbridge if needed to ensure all young people can participate in this activity. All coaches will be Level 2 FA coaches and this project will give all participants the opportunity to progress to get involved in a football club and or take their football careers forward with football scouts visiting the activities over the course of the year.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

The LYN are in Full support of this funding application, for the full costs requested. They felt that although this is a huge amount of money the cost for a full year with the amount of young people in Trowbridge it would support and raise confidence to them would be worth the additional finances. The questions raised by the LYN for Hayley to submit before the Trowbridge Area Board on the 14th January 2016 are as follows:

- The reasons why two funding applications were submitted in the same funding round by Active Trowbridge? Why not wait until the last round of funding in February?
- How would Active Trowbridge monitor and evaluation the project? The application was not clear on this element of the bid.
- Finally to re-check the financial requirements for the budget

Hayley is aware of these questions that need to be answered and taken to the Trowbridge Area Board.

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

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