

**Report to** Trowbridge Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 14<sup>th</sup> 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	£5000.00	The LYN are aware of this event happening in Trowbridge Park every year. However this existing event already secures all the budget the Town council can offer to fund this event. This event is an extension to the existing event in Trowbridge park and provides a Teen Zone. This is an element which would help to engage young people in Positive activities and provide them with sign posts to other opportunities in and around Trowbridge Community. The LYN feel this is a worthwhile event to support and give their full recommendation for the full grant funding.

**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
<a href="#">ID 180</a>	Trowbridge Sports Forum – Hayley Bell – Active Trowbridge	Olympic Play Day	£5000.00
<p><b>Project description</b></p> <p>Next year the Town Council will be putting together an Olympic themed event in Trowbridge Park, an event of this type happens every year, however there is no area outlined only for young people during this event. This has been an element that has been missing from the structured event however the financial means has not been then to change the format. The JSA highlights Health of children and young people which this project would help to improve. The event targets all areas of Trowbridge and surrounding villages identified super output areas which are classed as one of the ten areas of deprivation in the UK. The evidence gathered identifies that the need for youth events is much needed. Although the events will also impact on other areas which are based in lower super output area. There is clear evidence that the outlined project would benefit these areas and raise self-esteem and confidence. It is essential we help to provide a youth element to the day to help to build the community element and help to build relationships between the different communities within</p>			

Trowbridge. We can use this day to gather additional information in consulting with our key partners and help to find exit routes for these young people and showcase local opportunities available to them. The project that has been identified my Active Trowbridge and evidence gathered by consultation with young people. Within the Teen Zone area will be a Mobile Zip Wire, Action Sports tour, Gaming Truck, 50m Water Slide, Free Fall Stunt Activity, Spider Mountain and various other inflatables available to Active Trowbridge.

### **Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group**

The LYN MG Group gives their full recommendation to fund the whole of this activity for young people in the Trowbridge Community area. There was an additional request from the LYN MG Group asked from Hayley to give to the LYN MG Group if the Trowbridge Area Board agreed the funding. This was as follows:

- To provide statistics to show the need for this event for young people in Trowbridge extending beyond the 104 already obtained
- The extent of this information seemed small for an event that has previous run without this element. Hayley has vocally explained that during past events there has been a high level of 13-19 years old attending this event and wanting something added for their age group. This event has never had the money to be able to extend this request due to the financial costs incurred. Hayley is happy to give additional evidence to support the need for this development to the current event.

Hayley is aware of this question and is happy to answer and give full statistics at the Board if needed or after if the funding is agreed on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Funds will not be released until information is received and checked via email with the LYN MG Group.

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

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