Bradford on Avon Area Board, 9 March 2016

Budgets, priority areas, ring-fenced budget allocations, external funding

Budgets for 2016/17

These have not yet been confirmed formally but a 10% cut has been announced in base budgets and therefore estimates are as follows:

Community Grant Scheme	£35,256
Community Area Transport Group	£10,955
Local Youth Network	£10,283
Health and Wellbeing Sub Group	£ 6,000
Older Peoples' Champion/Seniors Forum	£ 1,000

Estimated Total: £ 63,494 in 2016/17

Priorities for 2015-2017

As identified by the Area Board in September 2015:

- 1. Tourism and Business
- 2. Air Quality and Public Health
- 3. Traffic and Transport
- 4. Health and Social Care
- 5. Positive Activities for Young People
- 6. Community Hub of public services

Ring-fenced budget allocations

In order to deliver on these expressed priorities it is proposed to ring-fence capital allocations from the Community Grant Scheme to the following areas of work:

Tourism infrastructure: £ 5,000 plus match funding

Business infrastructure: £ 5,000 plus match funding

Disability Friendly infrastructure: £ 5,000 plus match funding

Dementia Friendly infrastructure: £ 5,000 plus match funding

Air Quality and Public Health infrastructure: £5,000 plus match funding

Community engagement infrastructure: £5,000 plus match funding

Health and Wellbeing Centre (Community Hub) options report: £ 5,000

Volunteering/ time credits website and database: £ 1,000

External Funding

With growing pressures on shrinking budgets it will be important that funding is levered in from external sources.

This is already the norm within the CATG where a contribution of 50 % of costs is now required from town and parish councils.

For major investment schemes – such as tourism infrastructure development - the Swindon and Wiltshire Local Enterprise Partnership is a potential source.

For smaller projects contributions from the Vale Action LEADER programme, Section 106/ community infrastructure levy, town and parish councils, charitable grants and private sponsorship will be explored.

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