

**Report to** Trowbridge Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 14<sup>th</sup> March 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
ID-256	£2500.00	The LYN were happy to support this bid depending on the reasons for the need of this work to be carried out. As this is a Town Council provision and the maintenance of this park comes under them they felt they needed to show that the park is safe to use and that there is no recommendations from anyone to suggest that the park is unsafe to use. If this is confirmed and request has come from the service users of the park to ensure a more positive place for them to you and feel safe. Providing better facilities for their Skate Jam event in the summer then the LYN MG have made recommendations to the Trowbridge Area Board to fund half the costs with Trowbridge Town council covering the remaining costs.

**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-256</a>	Opline – Supported by TCAF	£2640.00	£2500.00
<b>Project description</b>			
<u>Improvements to Stallards Skate Park</u>			
Contractors and materials for the skate park, working with young people from Opline.			£ 2500.00
Total			£2500.00

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

- 1) To have the skate park checked against health and safety and ensure it meets the requirements for it to provide a safe environment for young people.
- 2) If this has been clarified to the LYN MG Group then for the Town Council to agree to pay half the costs for improvements for the skate park to support the young people and their skate Jam in the summer 2016.
- 3) CYO to contact the organisation and gain information before the 14<sup>th</sup> March so that this information can be passed to the Area Board for recommendation.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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