

<b>Report to</b>	Melksham Area Board
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	13/04/2016
<b>Title of Report</b>	Community Area Grant Funding

**Purpose of the report:**

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>
<b>Applicant:</b> Beanacre & Melksham Cricket Club <b>Project Title:</b> BMCC Field Mower  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£2420.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Bowerhill Residents Action Group <b>Project Title:</b> Bowerhill Village Hall Projector and Sound System  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£2301.50
<b>Applicant:</b> West Wiltshire Model Railway Circle <b>Project Title:</b> Disabled Access Improvement  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£700.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Banfield Recreation Ground project team <b>Project Title:</b> Banfield Recreation Ground  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£542.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Semington Village Hall Management Committee <b>Project Title:</b> Semington Village Hall Kitchen Modernization Enlargement  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£5000.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Poulshot Cricket Club <b>Project Title:</b> Re-generation of Poulshot Cricket Pitch  <a href="#">View full application</a>	£5000.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Semington Parish Council <b>Project Title:</b> Semington Village Information Board Project	£530.00

<a href="#">View full application</a>	
<b>Applicant:</b> The Shed Melksham <b>Project Title:</b> The Shed Melksham - Purpose Built Premises <a href="#">View full application</a>	£5000.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Cllr Jon Hubbard <b>Project Title:</b> Melksham Healthy Schools Project	£4488.00

### 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
<a href="#">1784</a>	Beanacre & Melksham Cricket Club	BMCC Field Mower	£2420.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b> As a club we have to start looking at making our club more sustainable and take on work in house by our team of non-paid volunteers. One of these jobs is to maintain our own grounds which we have had outside businesses do before. The cost of this maintenance can be around 4000 a year. We want to save the money and do this ourselves. We would like to purchase a new grounds equipment so we can keep our ground up together for us and the community to use safely.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b> The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.</p> <p><b>Proposal</b> That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1764</a>	Bowerhill Residents Action Group	Bowerhill Village Hall Projector and Sound system	£2301.50
<p><b>Project Description:</b> Bowerhill Village Hall Trust is applying for an area board grant towards the costs of a projector screen and speakers to create an interactive display system. This will bring the Village Hall up to date as many users require this facility to mount interactive displays. Our current user groups regularly have speakers who would like to illustrate their talks with pictures and sounds such as the PHAB Group Ladies Group and the Craft Groups. The Village Hall Trust has been approached by Further Education Classes who will use the Hall if these facilities are in place. Also we can advertise the Hall as being suitable for local businesses from the Industrial Estate for presentations and meetings. Included is an induction loop to enable people with hearing difficulties to fully enjoy an event. If these facilities are not introduced the Hall will lose bookings to other halls who already have these facilities.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b> The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.</p> <p><b>Proposal</b> That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1785</a>	West Wiltshire Model Railway Circle	Disabled access improvement	£700.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>  The Model Railway Clubs recent conversion of the former scout hut has been a tremendous success with an increase in membership to 29 active members. We currently have a temporary wooden ramp leading to the main entrance and this leads from a grass field which especially in wet conditions has proved to be somewhat dangerous with several able bodied people slipping on the mud carried onto the slope. Wheelchair access across the grass is also extremely difficult. The plan is to fit a concrete or paving flag strip from the car park 7 metres and to replace the 2.4 metre wooden ramp with a concrete ramp with protective edges as required under Part M regulations. Unlike the conversion of the building we feel that the manual work required is beyond our physical capabilities due to the age and infirmity of club members and the work will have to be put out to a contractor.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b>  The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.</p>			
<p><b>Proposal</b>  That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1695</a>	Keevil Parish Council	Banfield Recreation Ground	£542.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>  To fit new goal posts on the football pitch to encourage more use by the local youth members of the village.</p> <p><b>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</b>  The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.</p>			
<p><b>Proposal</b>  That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1813</a>	Semington Village Hall Management Committee	Semington Village Hall Kitchen Modernization Enlargement	£5000.00
<p><b>Project Description:</b>  The Village Hall is used by the local community for Parties Weddings Meetings Clubs and various Village Social events. Although the hall has a capacity of 100 the kitchen struggles to support this. As the kitchen is of original state Built in 1964 it needs enlarging and modernization. With this work undertaken we hope to increase the size of bookings which will enhance the viability of the hall. Also in an</p>			

emergency it could be used by the local community.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1547</a>	Poulshot Cricket Club	Re-generation of Poulshot Cricket Pitch	£5000.00

**Project Description:**

Commencing in March 2016 we intend to professionally re-lay three grass cricket creases in the centre of Poulshot Green. We have canvassed every house in Poulshot and an overwhelming 98 of all respondents would like to see cricket re-established on the Green. Cricket has been played on the Green in Poulshot since the late 1880s and this will benefit and be open to all ages in the village.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1811</a>	Semington Parish Council	Semington Village Information Board Project	£530.00

**Project Description:**

Two free-standing lecterns each containing an A2 sized Village Information/Interpretation Board - a coloured and annotated map showing footpaths KA canal historical and topographical features- are to be erected at each end of the village to inform visitors of the attractions of Semington village and its environs.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">1815</a>	The Shed Melksham	The Shed Melksham Purpose Built Premises	£5000.00

**Project Description:**

The SHED started in October 2014 with a core of 6 members at the end of 2015

we had 14 members meeting once a week in 23rds of a portacabin at the Forest Community Centre. On good days we can work outside but during the winter and wet days it is difficult to have a safe working area. The success of The Shed is due to the large number of retired people who want to be active and serve their community with projects that will support others and give them a new social network prevent isolation and loneliness or offer a few hours respite care for a carer. The Shed needs bigger premises to help more people. With more space room can be provided for the less mobile but still active handy-persons. Toilet facilities are also needed which more space would provide.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.

**Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Cllr Led Application	Cllr Jon Hubbard	Melksham Healthy Schools Project	£4488.00

**Project Description:**

The aim of this project is for all 12 schools within the Melksham community area to achieve at least Bronze level on the Wiltshire Healthy Schools programme.

Melksham would be the first community area in Wiltshire to achieve this. Data presented to the Area Board in September 2015 by Public Health highlighted that just under 30% of children within the Melksham community area are obese/overweight. The most efficient and effective way of tackling this issue is through working with the schools directly.

The Healthy Schools programme actively promotes learning and healthy lifestyle choices for children and supports the schools capacity to deliver effective and sustainable interventions for all children.

The ambition of this project is that money is provided upfront to deliver a long term sustainable programme where the schools are supporting each other to develop a best practice model.

**Input from Community Engagement Manager:**

The grant application meets the 2016/17 grants criteria.

**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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