

Report to	Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board
Date of Meeting	1st December 2010
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider applications seeking 2010/11 Community Area Grant Funding

- i. Cricklade Pre-School – Clad and insulate wall of pre-school £3,000**
- ii. Broad Town Parish Council – Provision of football nets and posts £387**
- iii. Thames Pre School- enhance the outdoor learning area £1419**
- iv. Lyneham reshaping – Primary school – Create a remembrance Garden £1,000**
- v. Lyneham Primary School – refurbish 2 community rooms £2996**

1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Community Services (27 February 2010).
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons as to why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.5. Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £51,962 for community grants.
- 1.6. The sum of £16,975 was awarded at the Area Boards on 25th May and 14th July and 6th October 2010.
- 1.7. This leaves a remainder of £34,987 for allocation,.
- 1.8. Where the demand for funding exceeds the funds available applications meeting the area board priorities will be given priority.
- 1.9. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.10. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11• Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Community Area Plan
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2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 5 rounds of funding during 2010/11. There have been three rounds - on the 26th May and 14th July and 6th October 2010 and the fourth is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;
 - 2nd February 2011

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board will have a balance of £ 26,185 for future allocation.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer Recommendations”.

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8	Cricklade Pre-School Playgroup	To clad and insulate the north and west exterior wall of the preschool building	£3,000

8.1.1. The Grant meets the criteria for a community area grant 2010/11

8.1.2. The grant demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, supporting the vitality of village schools and permanent sites for preschool facilities.

8.1.3. The grant meets locally agreed/area board priorities, working with young people.

8.1.4. The group is a not for profit organisation.

8.1.5. The grant is to clad and insulate north and west exterior wall, replace rotting wooden walls and improve the insulation of the building.

8.1.6. The grant will provide an opportunity for preschool children of all backgrounds to participate in the care and learning provided by the playgroup, to promote good community relations and support the inclusion policy of the playgroup. The project is targeted at families on low income.

8.1.7. Should the grant not be awarded, the work could not go ahead and funds would need to be sought from other sources

Ref	Applicant	Project Proposal	Funding Requested
9	Broad Town Parish Council	Provision of football goal nets	£387

9.1.1 The Grant meets the criteria for a community area grant. 2010/11

9.1.2 The grant demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, providing enhanced recreation and sporting facilities

9.1.3 The grant meets locally agreed/area board priorities for activities for young people.

9.1.4 The group is a parish council who request the funding following a letter from young people of the community.

9.1.5 The grant is to provide enhancements to the football goals by provision of goal nets and supports.

9.1.6 The project will allow all young people from Broad Town to participate in team games.

9.1.7 Should the grant not be awarded, the precept is insufficient to fund the project thus it could not proceed and young people of Broad Town would have not recreation or sporting facility.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
10	Thames Pre School	Enhance the outdoor learning area	£1,419

10.1.1. The Grant meets the criteria for a community area grant. 2010/11

10.1.2. The grant demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, supporting the vitality of village schools

10.1.3. The grant meets locally agreed/area board priorities, with Ofsted recommending that children go out to learn and play whatever the weather.

10.1.4. The group is a not for profit organisation.

10.1.5. The grant is to enhance the outdoor area so children of all abilities can enjoy all areas - sensory, quiet, seating and wildlife.

10.1.6 The preschool will assist all local families with preschool children

10.1.7 Should the grant not be awarded the project would not be able to go ahead and other funding will be sought,

Ref	Applicant	Project Proposal	Funding Requested
11	Lyneham Reshaping Group/Primary School	Create a remembrance Garden	£1,000

11.1.1 The Grant meets the criteria for a community area grant. 2010/11

11.1.2 The grant demonstrates a link to the Community Plan and concern about the long term effects of the closure of RAF Lyneham.

11.1.3 The grant meets locally agreed/area board priorities with particular reference to Lyneham reshaping, wider use of schools for adult learning, reducing anti social behaviour, preventing erosion of village identity, combating litter, support for

vulnerable people and lack of public open/recreational spaces .

11.1.4 The group is a not for profit organisation

11.1.5 The grant is to work with the community to create a Remembrance Garden in the grounds of Lyneham Primary School which can be used by all members of the local community..

11.1.6 The project will benefit all members of the local and transient community

11.1.7 Should the grant not be awarded, the project would need to be scaled down or the timescale extended whilst extra funds are sought.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
12	Lyneham Primary School	Refurbish 2 Community rooms to support local groups	£2,996

12.1.1 The Grant meets the criteria for a community area grant. 2010/11

12.1.2.The grant demonstrates a link to the Community Plan.

12.1.3.The grant meets locally agreed priorities, preventing erosion of the village identity, support for vulnerable people and providing public open recreational space.

12.1.4.The group is a not for profit organisation.

12.1.5.The grant is to provide community support organisations with an accessible base in Lyneham. The school identified that there was a need and can provide assistance with accommodation but cannot furnish the rooms as not within the normal business remit of the school. The project will redecorate and basically furnish of 2 mobile classrooms..

12.1.6.The project will help engage all members of the local community.

12.1.7 Should the grant not be awarded, there would be a detrimental affect on the local community as there is an urgent need and it would take longer to develop the project.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Grant application –Cricklade Pre School Appendix 2 Grant Application – Broad Town Parish Council Appendix 3 Grant application – Thames Pre School Appendix 4 Grant application –Lyneham reshaping – Primary school Appendix 5 grant application –Lyneham Primary School
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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