

Report to	Tidworth
Date of Meeting	19/09/2016
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Tidworth Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount	
Applicant: WYAP Project Title: Tidworth WYAP Dance Group	£2748.00	
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£2748	

2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2016/17 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2016/2017.

Community Youth 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.

Community Youth Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

3. The applications

Applicant: WYAP Project Title: Tidworth WYAP Dance Group	Amount Requested from Area Board: £2748.00	
This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.		
Project Summary: The Tidworth WYAP Dance group were created in 2015 as part of a wider Wiltshire project called Dancing Back to 1914. The group in Tidworth has been so popular that we are continuing to support the group		

and keep the class running. Since the class started over 45 young people have taken part in the class and have regularly performed at local community events. We would like this grant to continue the class for another term to support the group to explore the theme of diversity. They will research diversity and discuss what it means to them and use this as a stimulus to create a dance piece. This will be performed to the public at the end of the year.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:

Dance was identified in the local needs analysis and the class has been successful over the past year showing a need in the area. Young people have been involved in the project so far by attending the weekly classes and expressing their interest in continuing the class, coming up with new ideas for attracting new people to the class, and also what projects and performances they would like to be involved with. The class can take up to 15 young people at a time and the classes are currently free to anyone who wishes to attend. We feel this is important for the class as it makes it accessible for all. We are developing those young people who have been attending for over a year to become young leaders for the group. They will volunteer to mentor new members and assist the dance leader with tasks. The group are encouraged to perform at local community events including the Tidworth Area Awards and the Tidworth Town Festival. This helps them feel a part of their local community and is a great way of showing the community what they have been working on. Dance is an accessible activity for everyone and the studio we use is fully accessible. We use a school dance studio which many young people feel very comfortable using.

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