

MINUTES

Meeting: MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD
Place: Council Chamber, Marlborough Town Hall, 5 High Street,
Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1AA
Date: 9 August 2016
Start Time: 9.00 am
Finish Time: 9.45 am

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In Attendance:

Wiltshire Councillors

Cllr Jemima Milton, Cllr Stewart Dobson, Cllr Nick Fogg MBE (Vice Chairman) and Cllr James Sheppard (Chairman)

Wiltshire Council Officers

Andrew Jack (Community Engagement Manager)
Libby Beale (Senior Democratic Services Officer)

Total in attendance: 6

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Summary of Issues Discussed and Decision</u>
1	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Introductions</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting and advised that the order of the agenda would be changed to bring forward the item from the Community Area Transport Group.</p> <p>The Chairman updated members that further funding may be required to support a music festival for young people that the Board had previously given funding to. Councillors supported the Chairman's suggestion that the Community Engagement Manager be delegated authority to grant extra funding as required to ensure the running of the music festival between meetings of the Area Board, subject to ratification at the next available meeting. It was confirmed that a delegated to this effect was already in place.</p>
2	<p><u>Apologies for Absence</u></p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>
3	<p><u>Declarations of Interest</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
4	<p><u>Community Area Grant Funding</u></p> <p>The Area Board considered applications to the Community Area Grants scheme from Kennet and Avon Canal Trust, Froxfield Memorial Hall and the Phoenix Brass Band. It was clarified that the application from the Kennet and Avon Canal Trust related to boiler repairs at Crofton Beam Engines which were not located within Marlborough community area, however the Board considered that in this exceptional circumstance they could part fund the works since many local people volunteered for the organisation and also visited the engines as tourists.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To grant Kennet and Avon Canal Trust £3,000 for boiler repairs at Crofton Beam Engines.</p> <p>To grant Froxfield Memorial Hall £650 for new exterior doors.</p> <p>To grant Phoenix Brass Band £2,500 to update instruments in the horn section.</p>

5	<p><u>Community Area Transport Group</u></p> <p>Members considered a project from the Community Area Transport Group to fund a virtual footway on Manton High Street.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <p>To fund the full costs of the virtual footway at Manton High St at an approximate cost of £8,000.</p>
6	<p><u>Local Youth Network Applications for Youth Funding</u></p> <p>The Board considered an application from Aldbourne Youth Council for £5,000 towards a youth adventure programme for 2016.17. It was proposed that the youth programme would comprise of various activities including: ‘Splash down’, Alternative Sports Day, horse riding, a trip to Thorpe Park and a graffiti workshop. The Chairman reminded members that the application had been deferred from the previous meeting, with the agreement of the applicant, since members felt further detail on the application was required and were not able to determine the application due to being inquorate.</p> <p>The Area Board understood that, due to the funding being required urgently, the Cabinet Member for Area Boards had considered the application since the last meeting of the Area Board and granted the amount required.</p> <p>On considering the Cabinet Member’s decision, the Area Board agreed that involving young people in positive activities could be an effective way of engaging them with the Locality Youth Facilitator and other networks, however considered that, positive activities should have long-term impacts for young people, such as introducing them to sport or a new skill. On these grounds, the Board did not endorse the element of the application for a theme park trip.</p> <p>The Area Board expressed support in principle for other aspects of the proposal however recommended that further details of how many young people would be involved in the events, how they would be selected, and the involvement of SEND children in the programme submitted. Councillors were generally supportive of the alternative sports day, with the exception of the £500 asked for inflatables, and suggested the funding could be better used to provide workshops for young people that would help them to become involved in positive activities for the long term. Members supported funding for the graffiti workshop, however asked it be discussed at a future Area Board meeting when more detail about the event was available. It was noted that the dates for the ‘Splash down’ activity had already passed.</p> <p>The Area Board advised that it would expect future applications from the youth council to be submitted in advance to ensure sufficient time for further discussions about applications to take place if necessary; the late submission of this application had resulted in implications for the LYN process. It was</p>

suggested that the Youth Council present its future work plan to the Area Board at the next meeting so that members would be aware of projects to expect over the next 12 months.

It was noted that Area Board members were to organise a meeting to discuss the youth council programme with Cabinet Member and/or officers and representatives from Aldbourne.

Resolved:

That endorses:

- **£1,700 for an alternative sports day including £1,200 for a skate ramp and up to £500 for workshops;**
- **£700 for horse riding, subject to further details on the young people involved being submitted to, and agreed with, the Area Board.**

That the Area Board supports in principle the £250 for a Graffiti workshop, however recommends further discussion on the details at a future meeting nearer to the event.

To note that the 'Splash Down' event for mid-August is out of time.

That the Area Board does not endorse £1,670 for a trip to Thorpe Park due to there being limited long-term benefits for young people.

That the Area Board reminds youth grant applicants to submit funding requests with as much notice as possible and requests that the Aldbourne Youth Council present their plans for the next 12 months at a future Area Board meeting.

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Close

It was noted that the next meeting of the Marlborough Area Board would be on 27 September 2016.