

Report to	Calne Area Board
Date of Meeting	07/02/2017
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report

To ask the Area Board to:

1. Consider 5 applications for community area grant funding listed below
2. Consider 2 Councillor Initiative/Older People/Carer Champion's initiatives listed below
3. To consider a request to review an application granted to Christ Church, Derry Hill

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Calne Bowl Project Project Title: Landscaping re. Britain in Bloom 2017 View full application	£500.00
Applicant: Castlefields Canal & River Park Association Project Title: The Bigger Better Outdoor Gym View full application	£5430.00
Applicant: Hilmarton Primary School Eco Club Project Title: Community Clean Up (Great British Clean Up event) View full application	£280.00
Applicant: Cherhill Parish Council Project Title: Cherhill and Yatesbury Defibrillator project View full application	£2045.00
Applicant: Calne Community Daycentre Project Title: Daycentre new dishwasher View full application	£1295.00
Councillor Initiative	
Cllr Crisp/Older People/Carer Champion's initiative to provide Dementia Action Alliance promotional/welcome packs.	£350.00

Cllr Hill initiative to ring fence funds for allocation to community groups and organisations signing up to the 2017 Great British Clean up for litter picking equipment.	£2,800
Review application	Date of award
Derry Hill Bells project (Christchurch, Derry Hill)	04/02/2014

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 2016/2017 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 applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

2.4. Calne area board has agreed to prioritise three themes from the Joint Strategic Assessment, which had been highlighted at the 'What Matters to You', event held in 2014. These were to:

- Increase employment opportunities (especially through initiatives like apprenticeships and work experience) and social activities for and in consultation with young people.
- Recognise and address child poverty and childhood obesity.
- Build a positive reputation for Calne Community Area to attract more visitors to venues and events.

2.5. At the 'Our Community Matters' Event held in November 2016 new community priorities were identified. These were adopted at the Area Board held on December 6th 2016 and will be referred to below, at 9 - Applications for consideration, where relevant.

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

4.1 Applications have been considered at each area board meeting of the year, this is the final meeting in this financial year:

4.2. In 2016/17 the Calne Area Board has been allocated a budget of **£40,661** capital funding. In addition the Area Board has rolled forward **£15,919** from the 2015/16 financial year. This gives a total capital budget of **£56,580**.

4.3. Following financial decisions made at the last area board meeting held on 6th December 2016 there was a capital balance of **£29,327.88**.

4.5. If all grant applications being considered under this report are approved by Members, the remaining capital balance will be **£16,977.88**

4.6 In 2016 the Calne Area Board has been allocated a revenue budget of **£6,700** for Older People/Carers Health and Wellbeing projects.

4.7 Following the funding of previous Calne Older People's Health and Wellbeing projects there is a remaining revenue balance of **£5,662**.

4.8 If applications to this revenue fund being considered under this report are approved by Members, the remaining revenue balance will be **£5,312**.

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

9.1.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2246	Calne Bowl Project	Landscaping for Britain in Bloom	£500
<p>Project Description: Landscaping project at the Calne Skate Bowl re. Britain in Bloom 2017</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</p> <p>This application meets community area grant criteria for 2016/17.</p> <p>Members are familiar with the Calne Bowl Project group and have supported their work in the past.</p> <p>In 2015 the group developed a separate piece of work (The 'Salad Bowl') focussing on landscaping the Skatepark, this fed into the area board and community priorities that surround increased activities for young people, to introduce them to opportunities for developing skills for employment and to lead healthy active lives.</p> <p>This application sees the group return to that project to develop a second phase of landscaping which will feed in to the Calne in Bloom entry for 2017.</p> <p>This application represents the total project cost.</p> <p>Bearing in mind that there is no longer a Community Youth Officer, Members may wish to confirm that the Town Council will be supporting the young people in developing this project and maintaining the landscaped areas.</p> <p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

9.2.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2212	Castlefields Canal & River Park Association	The Bigger Better Outdoor Gym	£5430.00
<p>Project Description:</p> <p>This project will extend the outdoor gymnasium which was installed in 2016. This 5 unit gym has proved to be very popular but does not offer a full spectrum of equipment to allow a full exercise workout. The new items will consist of separate units. Each piece of equipment is designed to exercise different muscle sets. The apparatus can be used by people of varying ability. 1 of the pieces will be specifically for users with limited mobility A free to use Bigger Better Gym will encourage more users to participate in outdoor exercise leading to increased levels of fitness and other health benefits.</p>			

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application does not meet community area grant criteria for 2016/17 because the application is requesting a sum of £5,430 and the criteria states that the area board will rarely award more than £5,000.

Members will want to consider whether this project displays good causes to justify an exception to the criteria as follows:

- This project would draw down £5,500 of external funding for the benefit of the Calne Community.
- This is the last round of funding applications to be considered during the 2016/17 financial year.
- The project addresses Calne Community priorities identified through the Our Community Matters JSA event - to promote and encourage active and healthy lifestyles (76% score)
- CARP is a well established charitable association that was formed in 2001 to promote and implement a vision that had evolved through local community consultation about the development of the Castlefields Park.
- The equipment will represent the 2nd phase of the outdoor gym and will allow more people to take exercise at the same time. The range of apparatus exercises more muscle groups. The gym is designed to be used by anyone aged 14 years or above. It will appeal to anyone wishing to lead a healthier more active lifestyle and improve their levels of fitness. There is no cost to users thus nobody will be excluded through reasons of poverty. Improving health reducing obesity and encouraging a healthier lifestyle have all been identified as area board local priorities. Regular use of the equipment can help to achieve these targets. The Bigger Better Gym would permit community group activities. It could be used to encourage older people who may be isolated to join in an organised regular event thereby helping to improve health and at the same time encouraging social contact.

Members may want to consider making an award of the normal maximum amount (£5,000) conditional upon the applicant confirming that they are able to raise the outstanding sum.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

9.3.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2242	Hilmarton Primary School Eco Club	Community Clean Up (Great British Clean Up event)	£280

Project Description:

Hilmarton Primary School Eco Club is organising a local Great British Clean Up on March 3rd which will be a litter pick on the school grounds and the local village by the school children accompanied by the staff. They organised a similar event last year as part of the clean for the Queen which was really successful with the help of equipment loaned from the Area Board. This also helped the group in achieving our Eco Schools Green Flag award. They would like to run a similar event each year to ensure the school and village are litter free and help the environment. And as such would like to purchase their own equipment to facilitate this rather than borrowing from the Councils limited supplies. They will be using funds from their clothes recycling scheme to assist the purchase.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets community area grant criteria for 2016/17.

The Great British Cleanup is this year's 'Keep Britain Tidy' campaign following on from the successful 'Clean for the Queen' event in 2016. Wiltshire Council's Communities Board has requested that Area Boards promote it and encourage local groups and organisations to get involved.

Hilmarton Primary School wishes to acquire litter picking equipment for its own Eco Club, so that it may run other clean up days throughout the year.

This application represents approx 87% of the total project cost.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

9.4

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2257	Cherhill Parish Council	Cherhill and Yatesbury Defibrillator project	£2045.00

Project Description:

Great Western Ambulance Service recently reduced the distance that they would inform a patient that had called 999 of the nearest defibrillator if needed in an emergency from 400 metres to 200 metres. Currently the small village of Yatesbury does not have a public defibrillator and Cherhill has a public defibrillator on the outside wall of the village hall situated on one side of the village. In order to satisfy the 200 metre distance a further defibrillator will be needed to be sited at another location in the village. The Parish Council wishes to make Yatesbury and Cherhill safer for people who may suffer a cardiac arrest.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets community area grant criteria for 2016/17.

At the Calne Area Board held on the 6th December 2016 the South Western Ambulance Service Foundation gave a demonstration of a defibrillator and the advantages of having them in accessible places within a community as part of a campaign to increase their availability and usage.

It was explained that in the Netherlands, where it is compulsory to have a defibrillator in every public shop, there is an 86% out of hospital survival rate compared to 2% in the UK.

At the meeting the Area Board expressed its wish to encourage Town and Parish Councils and other local businesses and organisations to consider helping to increase the number of defibrillators available in appropriate places in the Calne Community Area.

Following the meeting the Cherhill Parish Council discussed reviewing their provision of defibrillators in the villages and, following discussions with the South Western Ambulance Service, decided to increase their provision with a second unit in the village of Cherhill and a further unit in Yatesbury.

The Parish Council is contributing over 50% of the total cost of the project.

This application represents just under 50% of the total project cost.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

9.5

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2261	Calne Community Daycentre	Daycentre new dishwasher	£1295.00

Project Description:

To replace an out of date and obsolete industrial dishwasher at the Calne Community Daycentre.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets community area grant criteria for 2016/17.

In addition the project links to the top Area Board 'Our Community Matters' JSA priority to address social isolation and loneliness for older people.

It also contributes to the Council's business plan outcomes (2013-2017) to ensure that:

- People in Wiltshire have healthy, active, high quality lives (healthy choices, positive activities)
- Wiltshire has inclusive communities where everyone can achieve their potential (reducing disadvantage and poverty, health inequalities)

The Daycentre has been operating since 1980 and offers a well attended weekly luncheon club for local people from across the Community Area run entirely by volunteers.

Many of the members are elderly and vulnerable (some in their late 80s and 90s) and it is important that equipment and utensils are cleaned at a high temperature in order that they are sterilised. In addition the dishwasher is a vital piece of equipment enabling the volunteers to focus more of their time and attention on the centres users.

The project has already attracted support from Calne Lions and The Calne Charities Trust.

This application represents 49% of the total project cost.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

10. Councillor Initiative

10.1

Councillor Initiative	Amount returned
Cllr Crisp/Older People/Carer Champion's: To provide Dementia Action Alliance promotional/welcome packs.	£350.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calne Area Board has supported the community aspiration to advance actions and activities in the Calne Community Area that will promote and address issues connected with making the area Dementia Friendly. • In 2016 the Calne Dementia Friends working group became the first Dementia Action Alliance in Wiltshire and is now working to recruit members of the business community and local groups and organisations to become involved in the alliance. • Existing members of the Calne Alliance include The Town Council, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service and Dorothy House. • The Area Board became a Member following the last Area Board meeting in December and the Area Board Co-ordinating group is in the process of developing its action plan. 	

- This initiative will provide the Calne Dementia Action Alliance with an attractive and professionally designed resource to promote and encourage local businesses, groups and organisations to become members and develop their own action plans to help develop a Dementia Friendly Calne Community Area, a place where people living with dementia can live well for longer alongside their carers, families and friends.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines this request.

10.2

Councillor Initiative	Amount returned
Cllr Hill: To ring fence funding for the provision of litter picking equipment.	£2800.00

- The Great British Cleanup will take place in March 2017, this is a national Keep Britain Tidy campaign and the Wiltshire Communities Board has requested that Area Boards encourage local groups and organisations to get involved.
- In 2016 a similar campaign took place under the banner of 'Clean for the Queen'. Many local parish councils, groups and organisations took part and the Area Board was able to support them with a minimal amount of litter picking equipment.
- In addition many local parish councils, groups and organisations already arrange their own clean up days.
- The Area Board has been approached by one such group with regards to applying for funding and, following discussion at the Area Board Coordinating group, it is felt that if money is to be allocated to one group, then a similar amount of funding should be ring fenced for other local groups who wish to bid for it.
- Members are asked to consider ring fencing £2,800 to enable 10 local groups to bid up to £280 where they have signed up with the Community Engagement Manager to arrange a cleanup day as part of the Great British Cleanup in the Calne Community Area.
- The Community Engagement Manager will be asked to report community take up of this fund to the next Area Board meeting.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines this request.

11 Review previous award

11.1

Review application	Date of award
Derry Hill Bells project (Christchurch, Derry Hill)	04/02/2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This project received an award of £2,500 towards a WW1 commemoration project that aimed to install a bass bell in the church at Derry Hill.• It was hoped that this would have been in place in time to be tolled on Remembrance Day 2018 to commemorate the centenary of the end of WW1.• The organisers have been in contact with the Community Engagement Manager to report that, unfortunately, the balance of funding had not been forthcoming and the project will not now take place in the form originally hoped for.• The group has requested that the Area Board considers allowing the funding to be used to match fund an alternative project that will also commemorate the centenary of WW1 and include bells.• Since 2015 a small team of hand bell ringers has formed who are learning to play instruments they have been able to borrow from the Tower Ringers in Warminster.• The group is registered with the Hand bell Ringers of Great Britain which is an organisation dedicated to promoting hand bell ringing.• The long term aim is to give young people and adults of the area the opportunity to play and enjoy different music even if they are not musical or read music and to establish a young people's team in the Calne Community area.• The borrowed bells are in need of repair and a complete refurbishment would cost over £1,500.• The group would like to acquire their own set of 3 octaves, which would allow them to increase the team to 12 plus ringers and establish a youth team.• They would like this project to replace the former Centenary Commemoration Bell project so that the aims of remembrance and community involvement can be carried forward.	

- The costs of the new project would include:
 1. Set of bells 2/3 Octaves £3010
 2. Lockable cabinet for bell and equipment storage £900
 3. Centenary Commemoration Bells information board and plaque £300
 4. Community Workshop/taster sessions, Community Event and children's activity in conjunction with Derry Hill primary school to take place during the 2018 Remembrance commemorations £800.
- The total project cost is £5010
- The group has raised £1600 towards this project so far and would look to raise the remaining £900 through local fundraising events and activities.
- Members may consider requesting that the previous award is returned to the Area Board and that the group makes a new application for this project in the next financial year.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines this request.

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

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