Report to	Melksham Area Board	
Date of Meeting	07/03/2017	
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding	

Area Board Grants Budget			
Opening balance 2016/17	Spend to date	Current balance	Balance if all grants are agreed in March 17'
£49,655.70	£47,169.00	£2,486.69	-£2,677.48

Purpose of the report:To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Atworth Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee Project Title: Cleaning Equipment for the Atworth Village Hall View full application	£674.20
Applicant: Bradford on Avon & Melksham Health Partnership Project Title: Falls Clinic in Spencers Sports Club View full application	£1000.00
Applicant: Tourist Information Centre Project Title: Tourist Information Centre ticketing machine View full application	£500.00
Applicant: Poulshot Village Trust Project Title: Green Gardens Conservation Poulshot thinning of trees. Charity number 265819 View full application	£1800.00
Applicant: Whitley Reading Rooms Project Title: Whitley Reading Rooms picnic benches	£430.00

View full application	
Applicant: Shaw and Whitley Garden Club Project Title: Shaw Whitley Garden Club Data Projector View full application	£399.99
Applicant: Atworth on Show and Yer Tiz the Atworth Village Magazine Project Title: Atworth on Show and Yer Tiz Village Magazine View full application	£359.98

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 <u>Area Board Grants Guidance</u>

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
<u>2312</u>		Cleaning Equipment for the Atworth Village Hall	£674.20

Project Description:

It is very hard to keep the village hall clean and we are in a danger of user groups ceasing to use the hall unless we keep it up to a good standard. This would dramatically affect the income of the hall. This is because we do not have a working vacuum cleaner at the moment. We also need equipment to be able to clean and polish the various village hall floor areas.

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
<u>2328</u>	Bradford on Avon & Melksham Health Partnership	Falls Clinic in Spencers Sports Club	£1000.00

Project Description:

Melksham has been identified as having a high number of older people who have experienced a fall in the past 12 months. Social isolation has recently been identified as a priority for Melksham and by providing a Falls Clinic in the new Melksham Leg Club will support people who have fallen and need support to gain back their confidence.

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
12317	Tourist Information Centre	Tourist Information Centre ticketing machine	£500.00

Project Description:

To purchase a ticket printing machine linked to the Internet which will produce professional tickets for event sold through the Tourist Info. centre

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
123017	Village Trust	Green Gardens Conservation Poulshot thinning of trees. Charity number 265819	£1800.00

Project Description:

The woodland was planted 12 yrs. ago and now 50 of the trees need to be felled in order to keep the woodland attractive to humans and wildlife. It is a major community resource in the area.

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
11457	Whitley Reading Rooms	Whitley Reading Rooms picnic benches	£430.00

Project Description:

To provide outside seating for users of the hall both adults and children in the grassed area to the rear.

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
12.322	Shaw and Whitley Garden Club	Shaw Whitley Garden Club Data Projector	£399.99

Project Description:

We are a group of residents of the two villages who meet monthly. Often speakers want to use a computer and we do not have a projector. This makes viewing elements of the talk almost impossible. The visual aspect is very important in the talks given to the garden club.

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
<u>2321</u>	Atworth on Show and Yer Tiz the Atworth Village Magazine	Atworth on Show and Yer Tiz Village Magazine	£359.98

Project Description:

This application is for a laptop computer to support the annual traditional village Show and the subsequent production of a monthly village magazine which is distributed to every household in Atworth. Currently we are using a personal laptop which is over 7 years old and is prone to freezing and crashing. We use this primarily to generate the magazine using Word before it goes to the printers and for all the documents for the Show. This project laptop will be dedicated to Yer Tiz and Atworth on Show alone. We hope to be in a position to purchase Microsoft software from our current funds.

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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