

Report to Trowbridge Area Board
Date of meeting Thursday 1st June
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
WYAP - Fabric of Life in Trowbridge project	£4750.00	
Characters Stage Company – REACT project	£526.00	
Tracy Sullivan - Unsigned - Inside and Out project	£3245.00	
T-CAF – Brighter Aspirations Youth Clubs	4976.00	

1. Background

Due to the local election and the consequent necessity to re-constitute the LYNMG at the first Area Board meeting, the LYNMG has not been able to formally meet to make recommendations on the grant applications presented in this report. However, due to the time-sensitive nature of the projects involved, the Area Board are still asked to consider and determine the applications at their meeting on 1 June 2017. The LYNMG have met to discuss these youth applications and fully support the youth applications below:

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2017/2018 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 441 WYAP	Emily Malcolm	Fabric of Life in Trowbridge	£4750.00
Project description The majority of the young people involved in the project have identified as being a part of the LGBT community and attend a well being support group. This project supports their needs and aims to help them feel safer and happier in our community. The project also aims to identify allies and help them understand LGBT issues. The project is free for young people to attend and takes place in fully accessible buildings. The work the young people will produce with the artist will be for a public audience and will further develop allies for the LGBT community. Our aim is for the local community to engage with this work and deepen their understanding of LGBT issues.			
Recommendation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• That the application meets the grant criteria and is partly approved for £4750.00 subject to the following conditions• The group must complete an evaluation form online when it is requested• The group must come to a LYNMG meeting or an Area Board meeting to provide an update• All those directly working with young people are DBS checked• All those working with the young people adhere to WYAP policies and procedures			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 460 (hyper link) Characters stage company	Moira Townsend Williams	REACT	£526.00
Project description Characters has received its funding for the project from other sources, however some young people are unable to pay the fees, the area board funding is to support those young people			

that due to circumstances cannot pay the fees. The project Title is REACT because it will explore in detail our young people's reaction to the world in which they find themselves living and will explore highly relative topics such as the relationship between humans and the natural world and what might happen if we continue to exploit it or the effect different parenting techniques can have on young people growing up for example. For the first time we will not only explore our chosen theme through devising and acting but also through song music and perhaps even Rap or other music genres that they young people suggest. They will also be given the opportunity to write scenes characters and lyrics for the piece FAR. The project supports young people in their journey to extend beyond their immediate surroundings and to make a difference to many people in different localities. Before deciding to embark REACT we consulted with all the young people taking part in our last project CONNECTING PLAYS and determined that there is a definite need for our next project. Most importantly the ideas for both the style and content of the proposed REACT project have come directly from the participants

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is partly approved for the amount of £526.00 subject to the following conditions:

- The group must complete an evaluation form online when it is requested
- The group must come to a LYNMG meeting or an Area Board meeting to provide an
- All those directly working with young people are DBS checked
- All those working with the young people adhere to all the Characters Stage Company policies and procedures

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 446 Trowbridge Arts	Tracy Sullivan	Unsigned - Inside and Out	£ 3245.00
<p>Project description</p> <p>This project will enable Town Hall Arts to meet the needs of young people through supporting music making songwriting and performing and contribute to their personal and social development. We are responding to their aspirations to experience new outdoor performance platforms professionally led songwriting workshops new forms of electronic and virtual music making. The outcomes will be improved public perception of young people and music making increase in confidence and self-esteem in young people young people led activities contributing to personal and social development. We currently support over 18 young bands approximately 80 young people in total.</p>			
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is partly approved for the amount of £ 3245.00 subject to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group must complete an evaluation form online when it is requested • The group must come to a LYNMG meeting or an Area Board meeting to provide an update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All those directly working with young people are DBS checked • All those working with the young people adhere to all the Trowbridge Arts policies and procedures 			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
ID 455 (hyper link)	Mrs Lindsey Millen	Brighter Aspirations Youth Clubs	£4976.00
<p>Project description</p> <p>TCAFs Brighter Aspirations the focus project for young people in Trowbridge was launched in January this year. TCAFs youth team consists of 3 staff all part time 1 Qualified Youth worker 24 hours and 2 youth support workers both on 6 hours each week to aid delivery. TCAF is seeking funding for 9 months for both of the youth support workers 6 hours each whom aid delivery of weekly youth clubs nights Studley and Seymour a drop in lunch time session at John of Gaunt rural youth provision and activities in the holidays Seymour and the Town Park and detached 1 night a week. Young people have been involved with this application and have aided in guiding the project and clubs forward with a focus on what they want from the club and youth workers and how the clubs and projects can be developed to increase attendance and reach.</p>			
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is partly approved for the amount of £4976.00 subject to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group must complete an evaluation form online when it is requested • The group must come to a LYNMG meeting or an Area Board meeting to provide an update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All those directly working with young people are DBS checked • All those working with the young people adhere to all of T-CAF's policies and procedures 			

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

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