

Report to Malmesbury Area Board
Date of meeting 08/11/2017
Title of report Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	£2484.00

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 available here: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-area-grants-criteria-2015-16-april.pdf>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/areaboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>

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
ID 2592 (hyper link)	Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	Cloatley Meadows Renovations	£2484.00
<p>Project description This is a community led project working with residents and groups based in Hankerton. It will support the establishment of a volunteer group at Cloatley Meadows nature reserve on the outskirts of Hankerton and carry out critical access improvements at the reserve reserve enabling greater use and enjoyment of this important community green space. Specifically it will provide tools and equipment for a volunteer group at the reserve enabling them to run regular sessions throughout the year including scrub clearance access improvements and biodiversity enhancement. carry out essential works on the car park increasing capacity and enabling public use throughout the year. install a community noticeboard at the site.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: This exciting community volunteering project is aimed at enabling more people to engage with the outdoors. There is already a small team of volunteers (which is growing), led by a local man and over seen by the Reserves Manager keen to get started but need vital tools to help out. This is a very big site with plenty of activities to keep people busy and fit all kinds of interests. However, the first part of the site you see is the car park, which floods and has over grown, so they have decide this is there first project to make the site more accessible and friendly. This is a fantastic project for the outdoors, many local partners have been made aware to sign post those with mental health concerns as a place to visit or volunteer as a form of countryside therapy.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application from Wiltshire Wildlife Trust for £2484.00</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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