

**Report to** Trowbridge Area Board  
**Date of meeting** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
**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
Alabare Christian Care & Support	£899.84	The LYNMG recommend that this youth grant is funded
Active Trowbridge	£2370.00	The LYNMG are recommending that the Area Board do not fund this youth application.
Collaborative Schools Ltd	£4168.00	The LYNMG recommend that this youth grant is funded and would like more partnership working between Collaborative schools, community groups and Wiltshire Council

**1. Background**

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

**2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 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
<a href="#">ID 471</a>	Mrs Katy Mascall-Dowse Alabare Christian Care & Support	Various activities	£ 899.84
<b>Project description:</b> This Project involves a range of activities as well as experiences for the young people within their housing services ranging from crafting to mountain climbing. This will benefit young people in a number of ways such as developing their self esteem and increasing their confidence to find work or investigate work experience or training.			
<b>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the application meets the grant criteria and it recommends that it is approved for £899.84 subject to the following conditions</li> <li>• The group must complete an evaluation form online when it is requested</li> <li>• The group must come to a LYNMG meeting or an Area Board meeting when requested to provide an update</li> <li>• All those directly working with young people are DBS checked</li> </ul>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">ID 511</a> (hyper link)	Miss Hayley Bell Trowbridge Sports Forum	Football in Trowbridge Park	£2370.00

**Project description**

An inclusive weekly football league to be located within Trowbridge Parks new multi court facility.

The weekly league will be coached by two level 2 football coaches who will engage young people in the community to participate in football. This will enable us to provide an ongoing activity to create healthy adults. We will work with all secondary groups multi faith Trowbridge college TCAF and local residents groups to have a wider engagement. Active Trowbridge would also like to run a Soccer school camp one day a week during the school holidays. The league will run for one year and 12 holiday camps between 2017 - 2018. The league will engage 30 young people and the holiday camps 20 per day.

**Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group**

The LYNMG recommend that the Area Board do not fund this project as:

It is felt that there is already a lot of football in the Trowbridge Community Area and funding this would cause a duplication of service, especially as a lot of the community football groups rely heavily on volunteers, the group also felt that there was not a sustainability plan. Furthermore, there were very low numbers for outreach sports during the summer holiday procurement, therefore it is felt funding should be spent on other activities and services.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<a href="#">ID 512</a> (hyper link)	Miss Jayne Bullock Collaborative Schools Ltd	Mental health services	£4168.00

**Project description**

“To deliver a free client centered out of school hours and confidential counselling service. The service will work with young people aged between 13 and 19 years five hours per week during the academic school year. We will remove any barriers to access by situating the provision on local secondary school sites in an environment where young people feel comfortable. Operating out of two sites will also provide choice of venue to young people. The service will be delivered either at lunch time or as a service after school in order to meet the specific needs of the young people who have requested this type of support. Where appropriate and at the demand of young people the service will provide both group sessions in addition to 11 support working alongside young people to address common areas of stress and anxiety. Young people will be able to self refer to the service. Counselling will be provided for an initial fixed term of six weeks although this may be extended to a maximum of ten weeks”.

**Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group**

That the application meets the grant criteria and it recommends that it is approved for £4168.00 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 when requested to provide an update
- All those directly working with young people are DBS checked

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

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