

Report to Marlborough Area Board
Date of meeting 28th November 2017
Title of report Health and Wellbeing funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Project title	Amount requested
The Restoration Trust	Human Henge Project, Avebury	£1,919
East Wilts MENCAP	Panto trip, December 2017	£632.87

1. Background

Area Boards have a delegated revenue budget for 2017/18 of £6,700 to support projects to improve health and wellbeing in the community area. This funding is focussed at, but not limited to, supporting the health and wellbeing of older people and vulnerable people within our community.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2017/2018 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 will improve health and wellbeing in the area and should consider the views of their local Health and Wellbeing Group.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of 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.

Applicants have 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

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
The Restoration Trust	Human Henge Project, Avebury	£1,919
<p>Project description</p> <p>Over 10 weekly sessions a group of 16 local people (up to 8 from Marlborough area, 8 from Devizes area) who are marginalised by mental illness and rural social isolation walk Avebury's ancient landscape with support workers, archaeologists and musicians, to increase mental and physical wellbeing.</p> <p>These people will be existing clients of the Richmond Fellowship Trust (http://www.richmondfellowship.org.uk/) recruited from across the Marlborough community area. They are people with existing mental health issues and this project is a positive activity that supports them in trying to overcome these problems.</p> <p>The project based at Avebury follows on from a pilot already carried out in the Stonehenge landscape, which was funded by Amesbury Area Board. This proved to be a success and experience then has helped to develop the Avebury project. Together with the lessons learned from the Stonehenge project, the work carried out at Avebury will become part of a new therapy activity used to help people with mental health problems.</p> <p>The project gives those taking part opportunities to take part in further activities developing from their involvement, such as volunteering at Avebury for the National Trust or speaking at the Historic Landscapes and Wellbeing Conference at Bournemouth University.</p> <p>This project has a substantial amount of funding from national organisations such as the Heritage Lottery Fund and the National Trust. The amounts being request from Marlborough and Devizes Area Boards is relatively small. The project is being supported by researchers from the University of Bournemouth, Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health NHS Partnership Trust and the Richmond Fellowship.</p>		
<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1,919.00</p>		

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
East Wilts MENCAP	Panto trip for members and carers, December 2017	£632.87
<p>Project description</p> <p>East Wilts MENCAP is a local activity club for people of all ages with learning disabilities, often with other complex needs. Each year, the club plans a day trip to the pantomime at Bristol Hippodrome. This is well supported and members ask about the next trip almost as soon as</p>		

the current one has ended.

The group use Bristol Hippodrome as it is an accessible venue and staff there have always been very helpful and accommodating. Because of the needs of members, the group uses a 42 seater wheelchair-accessible coach. This is more expensive to hire than a regular one.

The group is offering tickets to members and their carers at £10 each and expect to sell at least 35 tickets. The funding requested is based on selling this number of tickets, but if more are sold, the amount requested will reduce.

As well as providing an enjoyable day out for members, this trip gives a day's respite to the carers that do not go and allows them to take time off from their caring role.

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for an amount of up to £632.87.

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

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