

Report to	Amesbury
Date of Meeting	30/11/2017
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

### 1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Amesbury Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount	Total Cost of project
<b>Applicant:</b> BRIDGING PROJECT <b>Project Title:</b> Street Based Youth Work Project - Durrington	£4,634.00	£4,634.00
<b>Applicant:</b> Shrewton Youth Club <b>Project Title:</b> Shrewton Youth Club Extra	£470.00	£570.00

### 2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2017/ 2018 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance.

Community Youth Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

Community Youth Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

### 3. The applications

<p><b>Applicant:</b> BRIDGING PROJECT  <b>Project Title:</b> Street Based Youth Work Project - Durrington</p>	<p>Amount Requested from Area Board:  £4,634.00</p>	
<p>This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Street Based Youth Work SBYW is a new project being introduced in Durrington to tackle anti-social behaviour and to continue engagement with new and old members of Durrington Youth Services which is no longer available in Durrington. The aim is to engage with at risk young people providing them with positive activities promoting local services available to young people Community engagement and partnership and to offer information advice and guidance on issues relevant to young people through informal education and discussions.</p> <p><b>Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:</b></p> <p>On September 30th 2017 young people yet again lost their youth centre due to the local school requiring the land for the re-development of the school AVC. Myself staff our community and Durrington Town Council worked together to source an alternative venue but none were available in Durrington. I managed to hire a hall in a neighbouring village Bulford but this meant nothing was now being provided in Durrington which is a large and expanding village. We have helped and supported many young people through grief mental health issues drug and alcohol abuse and much more so it was extremely important to still be available for those young people that need us through continuing engagement. Although we have been overjoyed by the support young people have given us through attending our Bulford youth sessions we have lost a lot of our members. We had also been informed by the local police members of the public and Durrington Town Council of reports of anti-social behaviour in 3 main areas in Durrington. As I live in Durrington I too had witnessed groups of young people hanging around in the reported areas. I had also attended a neighbourhood tasking group meeting which discussed anti-social behaviour in the reported areas. This clearly evidenced a need to explore the option of implementing Street Based Youth Work. To evidence a need in more depth for this project we have used profits raised from entrance fees and tuck shop raised over 2 years to provide the SBYW project for 3 months up to end of December after which we are unable to self-fund as all profits have been used to evidence its success before applying to Amesbury Area Board to fund us for 2018. During the sessions, so far young people have been happy to engage with us providing suggestion of what could be delivered during the sessions MUGA. They are interested in working with us and The Town Council to create a space or obtain a</p>		

building where they can go a youth centre in Durrington. We have been promoting other youth sessions available in the area that they could attend Although transport is a barrier for some. Last week we had the local police come out with us to report back to young people of the outcomes of a local community anti-social behaviour meeting where local residences shop owners police and councillors attended to discuss the issues being presented in Durrington. Young people were informed by us about the meeting and were encouraged to attend as this can be difficult for some young people we gathered their views and attached it with a report of our sessions so far to be presented at the meeting. There are many barriers in our community and we are keen to be advocates for our young people with the aim to break down some of those barriers. So far over 30 young people have been involved and benefited from our sessions but we expect more over the coming months as each week our contact numbers have increased. Our project is free so its accessible and affordable to all that wish to engage. We ensure that set times are provided each week where we meet young people to ensure continuity and accessibility. We are keen for young people to participate in the Multi Use Games Area MUGA for football sessions etc. as these are free to young people. Young People have expressed an interest for this so by including it within this application will mean ALL young people will be able to participate. We really hope you can enable us to continue this much-needed project. This project will be monitored sessionally via an evaluation form which outlines what was delivered what has happened during the session any outcomes future actions or planning the aims and objectives of the session and how we met the every child matters outcomes. Staff discuss each session and self-evaluate to make improvements where necessary. I have a runaclub account which assists me with the needs and requirements of the project. Overall our project will be judged by the young people taking part who are welcome to contribute on the evaluation sheet this is always reflected in participation on our contacts record done sessionally.

**Recommendations from LYN:**

The LYN met on 17.11.2017. After careful consideration, they recommend that the full amount of £4,634.00 is awarded.

<p><b>Applicant:</b> Shrewton Youth Club  <b>Project Title:</b> Shrewton Youth Club Extra</p>	<p>Amount Requested from Area Board:  £470.00</p>	
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This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.

**Project Summary:** The youth club will add an extra monthly session for the 14-17-year olds. This will provide a variation to the normal youth club night. Rather than it being activity led it will be led by the young people’s needs and requirements with the hope that they will plan and organise anything they want to do with adults support if needed.

**Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:**

Objective-To provide the older young people with a continued space to access. To provide the opportunity to offer more advice and education on risky behaviours and age appropriate topics as required for young people to take the lead providing opportunity for leadership peer mentoring and challenge Method-The session will be able to access the same equipment and venue as the standard Shrewton youth club the same policies insurance and staff volunteers will help. This could be run on either a Tuesday or Friday these seem to be clear at the Rec on a set first last of the month basis. Implementation-Once funding has been obtained the club would be advertised via the existing club Facebook page website and word of mouth.

The project is a pilot to test the need and full involvement by young people. After six months, a full evaluation will be undertaken led by the young people.

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