

**Report to** Devizes Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018  
**Title of report** Youth Grant Funding

**Purpose of the Report:**

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

Grant Applications:

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Young Melksham	£2000.00	Recommended for £800

## 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
- Procurement Policies and Guidelines <http://thewire.wiltshire.council/index/service-areas-carolyn-godfrey/business-services-procurement/procurement-policies-and-guidance.htm>

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.
- 2.5. Councillors will need to be satisfied that procurement policies and guidelines have been adhered to.

**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**

8.1 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.

8.2 Wiltshire Council has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place; through its' procurement process, to safeguard children and young people. However, the Area Board needs to be satisfied that the providers being procured have everything necessary in place. The Community Youth Officer has assessed this and agreed providers meet safeguarding requirements.

**9. Applications for consideration**

<b>Application ID</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Proposal</b>	<b>Requested</b>
<a href="#">No Limits</a>	Young Melksham	No Limits SEND youth club	£2000.00
<b>Project description</b> No Limits youth club is a club night at Canberra Youth Centre in Melksham, run by Young Melksham. It has been identified that some young people are attending from Cannons House- A Short Breaks respite house for young people with complex SEND. In addition, 3 young people are attending independently.  Young Melksham are requesting a contribution towards the cost of the club to reflect the young people attending.			
<b>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</b> The local youth network recommends that <b>£800</b> be granted to Young Melksham to assist the club in supporting young people who attend from Devizes.  It was recognized that there is an SEND youth club in Devizes but that all clubs have a different feel and it is good to have choice for young people to attend different clubs. In addition to this, it is understood the current Devizes club is at capacity.			

However, the full amount has not been recommended, instead the LYN would like to explore options over the next year to support and increase the capacity of groups in the Devizes area to make them more inclusive and accessible. In addition to this the LYN would like to work with Young Melksham to find a more strategic and joined up approach to delivery of SEND youth work in this part of the county.

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