

Report to Marlborough Area Board
Date of meeting 13th March 2018
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
Aldbourn Youth Council	£5000	Recommended for £3000

LYN initiative	Amount requested	Purpose
Participatory Budgeting event	£3000	Public voting to create recommendations for area board decisions

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 2017/2018 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 Locality Youth Facilitator has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
link to application	Aldbourn Youth Council	Youth café skills workshops	£5000
Project Description: The aim of this project is to run a series of youth cafe workshops which will provide young people with opportunities to gain information and strengthen their knowledge and skills. These workshops will cover some of the sections from the Wiltshire children and young peoples health and wellbeing survey 2017. Some of the topics the workshops will cover will be self defence, drugs and alcohol, Sex education, first aid and food hygiene. These projects have been selected by young people attending the youth café which runs 4 nights a week and Saturdays. 5 young people and an adult coordinator plus volunteers staff this café which is looking to become more sustainable moving into the future. The staffing costs represented in this application are for the full year opening times.			
Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group £3000 to cover costs of workshops throughout the year and contribute to adult staffing. The LYN felt that as an established group the Parish Councils should be taking on more responsibility for ongoing costs such as staffing. They felt LYN funding should be used for newer and less established groups			

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(hyper link)	LYN initiative	Participatory Budgeting	£3000
<p>Project Description:</p> <p>Many youth projects have smaller costs and don't apply for larger funding from the youth grants schemes. This project aims to support and engage groups with small project costs that will benefit young people.</p> <p>The LYN will invite bids of up to £500 to be presented at the youth fair before this area board on 13th March. All bids will be assessed by the locality youth facilitator prior to presentation at the fair.</p> <p>The LYN and Area Board will invite the public attending the fair to vote on the projects they think are most worthwhile.</p> <p>The voting results will form a recommendation to the Area Board much the same as the normal LYN recommendation.</p> <p>The Board are then asked to use these recommendations when making decisions on each grant application.</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</p> <p>To use £3000 of the youth budget to allocate funding to multiple groups in sets of up to £500.</p>			

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