

**Report to** Marlborough Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 13/03/2018  
**Title of report** Youth and Community Area Grant funding

**Purpose of the Report:**

To consider a councillor-led initiative requesting funding from the Area Board.

Applicant	Amount requested
Cllr Stewart Dobson	Remaining youth balance

**1. Background**

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

**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 meet the Youth and Community Area Board grants criteria and practice papers for [councillor-led initiatives](#)
- 2.4. Best practice advises that applications relating to young people or highways and transport should be considered by, and seek a recommendation from, the Local Youth Network or Community Area Transport Group.

**3. Environmental & Community Implications**

Councillor led-projects are designed to enable councillors to tackle issues in their area, including projects and initiatives which have been initiated by the community eg. a community issue. Councillor-led projects should not be used to fill gaps where there are service shortfalls or where it is possible for the matter to be resolved through the use of the Community Area Grants scheme.

**4. Financial Implications**

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure. The Youth and Community Area Grants scheme which funds Councillor-led initiatives can provide revenue and capital funding.

**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.

**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**

<b>Application Name</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Project Proposal</b>	<b>Requested</b>
		Budget accrual for delayed application	£££
<b>Project description</b> With the opening of the new Marlborough Community and Youth Centre, Marlborough Community Youth Project requires further support and coordination as the club progresses. Other services in the centre will also need increasing support and development.  The LYN are expecting an application of this sort but details are currently delayed.  In consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities, the LYN would like to accrue the remaining youth budget into the next financial year in order to ensure funding for this project is available.  The application from Marlborough Community Youth Project will be assessed to ensure it meets the grants criteria upon receipt of the final application.			
<b>Proposal</b> That the Area Board determines the application from Cllr Dobson for the remaining youth budget balance.			

Background documents used in the publication of this report:

Quotes/estimates for this proposal can be obtained from the Community Engagement Manager upon request.

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