

Report to Devizes Area Board
Date of meeting 19 March 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
Devizes Youthy	£4948	Recommended
Bromham Youth Club	£4500	Recommended
Wiltshire YFC	£2500	Recommended
Wiltshire Museum	£2080	Recommended
Camp Xtra	£1782	Recommended
Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	£2450	Recommended

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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 Locality Youth Facilitator 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 Locality Youth Facilitator has assessed this and agreed providers meet safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
application link	Devizes Youthy	Youth Club Development	£4948
Project description As Devizes Youthy develops they have dealt with some very challenging circumstances in the last year. Skilled volunteers who are available weekly have been hard to recruit and as such the group requires a second part time paid youth worker. This will increase the sustainability of the club and increase the skills set in the staff team so they can effectively address the developing needs of the club including partnership working across the community and training volunteers. This application is for core costs, they also have an application pending with Devizes Town Council The requested amount is towards their full yearly running cost of £7794.40			

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

Recommended

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
application link	Bromham Youth Club	Bromham Youth Club	£4500
<p>Project description Bromham youth club has grown in strength over the last year to 58 young people on the books and regularly 36 young people attending weekly. They have 2 part time paid youth workers and volunteers. They have built effective links with local schools, including Rowdeford school where 4 students are assisted to attend to support independent living. The club requires support to remain sustainable with other various routes not available to them. The requested amount is towards their total running cost of £6519.80</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group Recommended. The Local Youth Network would like to see the Parish Council working towards funding the costs of Bromham Youth Club in the future as other parishes are doing.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
application link	Wiltshire YFC	Pop up mobile youth work	£2500
<p>Project description Wiltshire YFC have annually run a pop up café week in Devizes. This have been a great success with young people attending from many different backgrounds. This is a great week for our local young to hear more about the clubs on offer during the year and have a space in Devizes that is theirs for the week. YFC arrange refreshments and a café space and provide games, advice and signposting, sports and good company throughout the week. The requested amount is the full project cost.</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group Recommended. The local youth network also recommend that links are made with Lavington school and use of community transport is arranged to allow young people in Lavington to attend.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
application link	Wiltshire Museum	Empire Soldiers	£2080
<p>Project description This exciting project will allow young people to travel back in time to World War One and meet soldiers from Caribbean countries who fought for the British Empire. They will explore historical and contemporary views of war and race by watching a theatrical film made with cutting edge Virtual Reality technology. They will be inspired to develop a dance or drama performance which will be recorded by 360 degree filming equipment and by doing so develop an understanding about how Virtual Reality is made. At the same time Wiltshire Museum is hosting an exhibition about Wiltshires WW1 contribution. This project forms part of the wider WW1 weekend celebration with DOCA. The film will be made available for viewing after the project. The amount requested is towards to full project cost of £2680</p>			

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

Recommended.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Camp Xtra	Canoeing and Kayaking activities	£1782

Project description

Camp Xtra was originally set up in 2002 as a result of a collaboration between Wadworth Brewery and Devizes School. In tackling low level 'issues' of anti-social behaviour during the summer holidays, it was felt that a programme of sports activities would help tackle lack of choices that children had when school was out and it provided an effective form of childcare for the parents. Camp Xtra now averages 180- 200 young people per year aged between 8 and 15. It has grown from just a sports camp to now include arts and crafts, music and drama. It also runs booster classes in literacy and numeracy for the students who are just about to transition into year 7 at Devizes School.

They are looking for financial assistance in covering the costs of the 2 most successful (in terms of numbers of children who sign up) activities namely Kayaking and Cookery. These activities incur some of the highest costs;

Kayaking: £800 rental fee to Devizes Canoe Club for use of an instructor, boats, buoyancy aids etc

Cookery: £982 for ingredients for 40 children to make 10 different items during the week.

The requested amount represents part of the full cost of £13956.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

Recommended. The area board and local youth network would like to be recognized for this funding on any publicity produced.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	Summer Forest School	£2450

Project description

Further to last years project, WWT have worked well with Devizes school and other agencies to identify individuals who would benefit from the WWT approach. This summer activity builds on the work through the year. IT will also open up to young people from other groups and clubs who would benefit.

This project aims to provide a range of fun hands-on outdoor activities for vulnerable young people during school holidays on our nature reserves or at local green spaces. Participating in outdoor activities helps young people to reconnect with nature learn new skills build self-confidence improve wellbeing make new friends and live an active healthy lifestyle. Activities may include fire-lighting team games or conservation tasks. With a wealth of experience working with young people Wiltshire Wildlife Trust is ideally placed to provide a high quality club where they can learn how to manage risks and challenge themselves in a safe environment.

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

Recommended.

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