

Report to Marlborough Area Board
Date of meeting 15 May 2018
Title of report Community Area Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Marlborough parkrun – to establish a new parkrun event for the town	£1,850
Ogbourne Village Hall – to refurbish and update the hall’s flooring	£4,816.00
Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub – to rebuild the porch and create new disabled access	£5,000.00
Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub – to install brand new kitchen	£5,000.00
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£16,666.00
Total capital funding allocated to Marlborough Area Board 2018/19	£32,141.00
Total amount awarded so far, 2018/19	£0.00
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	£15,475.00

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 available here: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-area-grants-criteria-2015-16-april.pdf>

The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council’s website: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/areaboardscommunitygrantsscheme.htm>

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2018/2019 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 Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

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 has been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implication

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.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

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

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2888	Marlborough parkrun	New parkrun event for Marlborough	£1,850.00
<p>Project Description</p> <p>Parkrun provides a free, timed 5km run every Saturday morning. There are over 500 events across the UK and approximately 140,000 people taking part each week. The events are open to all age groups and all abilities. All aspects of the events are operated by volunteers with technical and IT support from a central body. Once established, events take very few resources to operate.</p> <p>The parkrun UK website http://www.parkrun.org.uk/ has many examples of people who have improved their health and fitness by taking part in parkrun, either their physical health by regularly running or walking the 5km or their mental health through volunteering with the event. A high priority for Wiltshire Council is to support projects that improve health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Marlborough parkrun will take place at The Common. The Marlborough group has met with the Town Council and has permission to use The Common. Town Council groundsmen have visited the location of another parkrun and are satisfied about the level of 'wear and</p>			

tear' to The Common. The group has also met with the Common Users' Group who have been encouraging to this new event. Issues over parking have been raised, but have been resolved with the help of the Town Council.

There are already established parkruns in Chippenham, Lydiard Park Swindon, Melksham and Andover. Whilst committed runners from the Marlborough area might choose to travel to these locations, others might not wish or be able to do so for the events' 9.00am start. Having a parkrun in Marlborough will encourage those people new to running or those wanting to improve their fitness.

Once established, parkrun UK will support the Marlborough event with technical support and will replace timing equipment, etc. as necessary. This will mean that Marlborough parkrun needs almost no further funding to keep itself going.

Marlborough parkrun has also applied to Marlborough Town Council for a funding bid of £500.00. If successful, the sum requested from Marlborough Area Board will be reduced by £250.00

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Marlborough parkrun for £1,850.00

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2803	Ogbourne Village Hall	to refurbish and update the hall's flooring	£4,816.00

Project Description

The village hall was originally built in 1905 as 'the church room', funds raised by public subscription, and is now owned by the church in the form of the Salisbury Diocesan Board of Finance. As nothing major had been done to the hall since 1983 a project was needed to bring the facilities up to date. To date, the village hall committee has improved the toilet area, refurbished the kitchen and repainted throughout. This has reduced the hall's financial reserves to £3,000, which they have decided to commit to updating the flooring.

The hall is well used by the local community. The village's pre-school, Little Dragons, use the hall most days. They are the key user and are keen for the modernisation to be finished so they do not lose any parents, who do have other preschool facilities nearby. The Marlborough Players use the hall regularly for their rehearsals. There is also a Saturday class in upholstery and woodwork. The Hall's wheelchair access does make it popular with family gatherings. The biggest revenue stream, after the pre-school, are children's parties.

Community activities include Burns' Night, Harvest Festival, Halloween event, Quiz night and various meetings covering local matters from Parish Council to Open Gardens.

Improving the hall floor would make it more attractive to new and existing users, the income from these will make the hall a viable and flourishing amenity for the community.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Ogbourne Village Hall for £4,816.00

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2831	Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub	to rebuild the porch and create new disabled access	£5,000.00
<p>Project Description</p> <p>The former White Horse pub at Winterbourne Bassett was bought by the local community in early 2018. Funds were raised through donations, grant funding and a community share option. This was very successful and a great deal of money has been raised so that the pub, the only community facility in the village, after the church, can be put back into use.</p> <p>The group behind the community pub have a lot of ideas for new services and facilities that will benefit the community. These include children's play facilities at the pub that will be available to all, coffee mornings or lunch clubs for older residents, a book club and hosting a community shop or post office within the pub.</p> <p>The group has already done a lot of work to totally refurbish the pub and make it an attractive and welcoming venue for locals and visitors. The current disabled access is not satisfactory or welcoming, whilst the current porch is small and allows drafts into the pub. The group has decided to improve the porch and combine a new and suitable disabled access to the front of the building.</p> <p>This is an important part of getting the pub back into use, making it viable and providing a service to the community.</p>			
<p>Proposal</p> <p>That the Area Board determines the application from Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub for £5,000.00 towards the new porch.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2832	Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub	to install brand new kitchen	£5,000.00
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the pub have already been re-modelled as a more attractive seating area able to serve more covers than before.

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Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Winterbourne Bassett Community Pub for £5,000.00 towards the new kitchen.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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