

Report to	Amesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	24/05/2019
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Berwick St James Chairman Project Title: Berwick St James Radar Speed Sign View full application	£1,087.20 Total cost of project £2,174.40
Applicant: Allington with Boscombe Parish Council Project Title: Allington Village Hall Kitchen View full application	£5,000.00 Total cost of project £18,037.00
Applicant: Amesbury Community theatre Project Title: Amesbury Community Theatre Equipment Renovation View full application	£1,133.18 Total cost of project £2,266.36

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](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

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 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

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
2857	Berwick St James Chairman	Berwick St James Radar Speed Sign	£1,087.20
<p>Project Description: To provide the village with a radar activated real time speed warning sign positioned primarily at the north end of the village where vehicle speeds frequently exceed 50mph in a 30mph zone. Berwick St James has a significant traffic speeding problem particularly at the northern end of the village where vehicles regularly enter the 30 mph zone travelling at more than 45 - 50 mph. There is no pavement at this end and the banks adjoining the roadside are steep. Within this particular part of Berwick there are four families with 2 -3 children each all under the age of 10. Although we have an active speedwatch team which regularly monitors the vehicles entering and leaving the village the traffic calming effect created by their presence only works when they are out there and traffic speeds instantly rise once the team disperses. The Berwick St James residents determined at a village meeting last week that it was necessary to have in place additional traffic calming measures and of the thirty nine residents present thirty two voted that a radar speed sign was the most effective. Reducing the speed of traffic through Berwick is one of the main priorities of this village an action which will benefit everyone</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: Berwick St James is a small village with just under 170 residents. The Parish Precept is presently committed to supporting the Reading Room which is our village hall village, insurance and the church graveyard. Additional funds are also required to repair a broken notice board a cracked water pipe in the graveyard and replacement of the villages defibrillator batteries that will consume much of what is left in the precept account.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2864	Allington with Boscombe Parish Council	Allington Village Hall Kitchen	£5,000.00

Project Description:

Allington is one of the few villages across Wiltshire without a village hall. The Parish Council has secured some S106 funding to build a new village hall. However, this does not cover the cost of industrial use equipment for the kitchen. The Village Hall Committee would like to install an industrial standard kitchen from the outset.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

All residents and their children will benefit from having a central meeting place and community hub at the heart of the community.

A management committee will hold a register of all users and hold regular consultation events to evaluate usage of the centre.

The management committee will hold regular fund raising events to raise funds and rents will go some way to making the centre self sustainable.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2887	Amesbury Community theatre	Amesbury Community Theatre Equipment Renovation	£1,133.18

Project Description:

To renovate the sound lighting system for Amesbury Community Theatre Formally Amesbury Community Players.

Amesbury Community Theatre Formally known as Amesbury Community players have been putting on performances for the local community of Amesbury and the surrounding areas for over 20 years. Over the past couple of years the group have struggled with equipment props and stage scenery. I took over as Chairman and Director in 2017. A new committee was formed and Amesbury Community Players became Amesbury Community Theatre. In the past year we have spent money on a complete re-launch of the group. We have bought brand new stage scenery and now have a brand new image. The majority of our money comes from member subs we do have local companies who aid by sponsoring our performances. We are a non-for-profit organisation so any money we make goes back in to the upkeep of the groups assets. We currently put on 2 performances a year. One in the summer and one pantomime in february. Our member numbers have risen by nearly 90 and are made up of both adults and children. On top of the performances we are now planning on using the experience of our members to put on workshops for people to learn more about the world of theatre. These will be script writing stage management directing and Sound Light management. These will be open to members and the public. We are about to launch our new website in the coming months to increase our visibilty. The renovation of our lights and sound will benefit the members performing as it aids with the atmosphere on stage. it will also aid the audience as it will add to the atmosphere within the auditorium during performances. The microphones will help those who come to watch who may have hearing difficulties. For the workshops the equipment will be valuable training aids. The equipment we are looking to purchase is portable so we will be able to do performances in schools and local residential homes to bring some enjoyment to those who may not be able to come to us.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

The majority of funding come from member subs. They do have local companies who aid by sponsoring some of the performances. They are a non-for-profit organisation so any money they make goes back in to the upkeep of the groups assets.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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