

**Report to** Devizes Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
**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.
- To note the delegated decision taken between area boards to expedite a time sensitive grant application

In order to expedite the work of the Area Board and to deal with urgent matters that may arise between meetings, the Community Engagement Manager, in consultation with the Chairman (or in their absence, the Vice-Chairman) of the Area Board, may authorise expenditure to support community projects from the delegated community grants budget of up to £1,000 in total, youth projects of up to £1,000 in total, and health and wellbeing projects of up to £1,000 in total, between meetings of the Area Board.

Decisions taken between meetings would be reported to the next meeting of the Area Board explaining why the matter was considered urgent or necessary to expedite the work of the Board and the Cabinet Member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards and Broadband would also be kept informed of any such decisions.

Grant Applications

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Lavington School	£900	Recommended £900- awarded
Make Makaton Friendly	£1000	Recommended £500

**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**

- 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.
- 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 to note delegated decisions:**

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Lavington School	Rainbow Shower	£900
<p><b>Project description</b>            The Rainbow Shower is an event for SEND children from all primary secondary and special schools across the County. We will have three main areas for pupils with different needs to explore enjoy</p>			

30 young sports leaders from Lavington School and Fairfield farm have evaluated previous projects and worked to develop and produce this project. They lead the event on the day and evaluation.

The event is as follows:

1 The 'Follow the Rainbow Course' students can run walk wheel around an accessible marked route. On the way they will visit colour stations where our Sports Leaders will gently spray the students with soya paint. Everything is bio-degradable safe.

2. The 'Power Shower Cubicle' this will be a fully enclosed area where students can move safely freely without needing to be fully supervised. This area is aimed at pupils who would find following a marked course challenging but would still enjoy the sensory side of coloured clouds

3. 'The Rainbow Spa' this fully enclosed area will allow quieter students to relax enjoy the feel of paint bubbles. They will be encouraged to engage with the Sports Leaders but in a more genteel environment.

There will also be parachute games involving colour bubbles.

**Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group**

Recommended

Due to the timing of this event, following consultation with the local youth network, the Community Engagement Manager and Area Board chair used their delegated authority to award grants between meetings. The board is asked to note this decision.

**10. Application for consideration:**

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Makaton Friendly Devizes	Licenses for youth organisations	£1000
<p><b>Project description</b>            The aim is to make Devizes 'Makaton Friendly'. A wide range of people in our local community use Makaton to communicate and the project would like our local businesses and organisations to recognise this by signing up to being 'Makaton Friendly'. Being Makaton Friendly involves each business learning 30 Makaton signs and symbols and using these to communicate with customers who have communication difficulties, thereby making their business fully inclusive. In order for Devizes to gain 'Makaton Friendly' status, a minimum of 30 businesses will need to sign up and attend taster sessions delivered by regional tutors from the Makaton Charity and they then receive a licence to display and a certificate and are recognised as being Makaton Friendly on the Makaton Charity's website.            The LYN have been asked to contribute to licenses for youth organisations and places where young people would visit or use.</p>			
<p><b>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group</b>            . Recommended for £500 towards 10 licenses for groups who work with young people and businesses who aim to engage young people and services for young people.</p>			

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