

ITEM NO. 5

Report to Warminster Area Board

Date of Meeting 28th January 2010

Title of Report Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider two applications seeking 2009/10 Community Area Grant Funding

- 1) WVCP Health and Social Care Group, "Anybody can Cook" sessions £999.00 Officer recommendation to support the application.
- 2) Warminster Adventure Sports Club, Purchase of whitewater canoe £1,000.00 Officer recommendation to support the application.

Total if grants supported in line with officer recommendations = £1999.00

1. Background

- 1.1 A single and simple application process for Area Grants was accepted by the Implementation Executive on 13th May 2009 for use during 2009/10. Appendix 1 contains the Community Area Grants Pack, which has been developed and includes details of the grants process and criteria.
- 1.2 Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to the Area Boards by the Leader of the Council (13th May 2009). Under the terms of that delegation Area Boards must operate within the policies set by the Leader and /or the Council. The Council has adopted an Area Grants policy, with funding criteria, to which the Area Boards must adhere.
- 1.3 In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that was contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report

- Community Area Grant Application Pack 2009/10
- Warminster and Villages Community Plan 2005-2015

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2009/10 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed before 31st March 2010.
- 2.2. There will be four rounds of funding during 2009/10. Grants were considered on 24 September and 26 November 2009. The third round of applications is contained in this report and the deadline for future grant applications will be:

21 January 2010 to be determined at 4 March meeting

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community Area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Warminster Area Board. Following the identification of an accounting error, the area board has an extra £964 in the 2009/10 budget. This means that the remaining budget for 2009/10 is £5,028 (after CAP core costs and existing grant commitments).
- 4.2. If the grants contained in this report are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Warminster Area Board will have a balance of £3,029.

5. Legal Implications

5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1 Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2 Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 "Project Proposals".

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1	WVCP Health and Social Care Group	"I can Cook" sessions	£999

- 8.1.1 It is recommended that the Area Board supports this application.
- 8.1.2 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10 and the project will be completed by 31st March 2009.

- 8.1.3 The Application demonstrates a link to the Warminster and Villages Community Plan, with links to the Education and Lifelong Learning / Health and Social Care themes.
- 8.1.4 The application meets the following Wiltshire Council priorities:
 - Encourage people to make lifestyle changes that will have a positive impact on the health of themselves and their families
 - Improving young people's participation in positive activities.
- 8.1.5 The WVCP Health and Social Care Group is a non profit organisation.
- 8.1.8 This is the first project that the group has initiated in direct response to the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, which identifies childhood obesity as a particular issue in the Warminster Community Area. The group has not approached any other funding organsiations and therefore is relying on a Community Area Grant for the project to proceed.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2	Warminster Adventure Sports Club	Purchase of whitewater canoe	£1000.00

- 8.2.1 It is recommended that the Area Board supports this application.
- 8.2.2 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10 and the project will be completed by 31st March 2009.
- 8.2.3 The Application demonstrates a link to the Warminster and Villages Community Plan, pages 5, 11, 13, 17 and 19.
- 8.2.4 The application meets the following Wiltshire Council priorities:
 - Engage with local people to find out their priorities and work with them to deliver solutions
 - Increase the number of local people involved in regular volunteering
 - Encourage people to make lifestyle changes that will have a positive impact on the health of themselves and their families
 - Improve adult participation in sport
 - Improving young people's participation in positive activities
 - Improve the local area through intergenerational activities.
- 8.2.5 The Warminster Adventure Sports Club is a non profit organisation.
- 8.2.8 The group receives sufficient income from members to cover running costs. The

receipt of a Community Area Grant will enable the purchase of new equipment.

Appendices: Appendix 1 Community Area Grant Criteria Appendix 2 Grant application – WVCP Health and Social Care Group Appendix 3 Grant application - Warminster Adventure Sports Club
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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