

Report to Melksham Area Board
Date of meeting 07.11.2018
Title of report Melksham Wellbeing Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below together with the recommendations of the Health and Wellbeing Group.

Applicant	Amount requested	Health and Wellbeing Group recommendation
Age Friendly Steering Group	£500.00	£500.00
Arts Together	£3,000.00	£1,500.00

1. Background

The recommendation from the Health and Wellbeing Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- **Health and Wellbeing Groups Spending Guidelines**

Members of the Health and Wellbeing Group 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 Health and Wellbeing Groups awarded in the 2018/2019 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to be assured that carers, older and/ or vulnerable people will benefit from the funding being awarded. The money must be used to invest in projects that will support adults living within a community area. While not exclusively restricted to older people, the investment should be made in such a way as to make the maximum impact on health and wellbeing within a given community area.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding older and vulnerable people.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Health and Wellbeing 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

- 4.1. Melksham Area Board was allocated £7700

4.2. The Melksham Area Board Health and Wellbeing Funding balance for 2017/18 is £3,700.00.

4.3. All decisions must fall within the Health and Wellbeing Funding allocated to Melksham Area Board.

4.4 If funding is awarded in line with the Health and Wellbeing recommendations outlined in this report

1. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

2. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

3. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and Health and Wellbeing Groups 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.

4. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Community Engagement Manager has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

5. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Age Friendly Steering Group	Age Friendly Steering Group	Age Friendly Business Project	£500.00
<p>Project description</p> <p>The aim of this project is to work with local businesses and organisations to enable residents to easily identify safe, accessible and hospitable facilities.</p> <p>When consulting on the projects that people would like to see in an age friendly community, the key priorities for local services were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Toilet facilities are provided - Full accessibility in and around premises - Dementia Friendly staff and service - The offer of a safe place to sit and a glass of water if needed <p>The Age Friendly steering group has considered this information and proposes to create an online platform and sticker that shops and organisations can display to show what they are able to offer residents. This single sticker can replace Safe Places and the Dementia Friendly work and both local schemes are on board with this proposal. It would have an icon for toilets, accessibility, dementia friendly, seats and a glass of water where they are available.</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Health and Wellbeing Group</p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £500.00 from the 2018/19 budget.</p>			

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Arts Together	Arts Together	Transformative Arts activity in Melksham	£3,000.00
Project description			
<p>Provision of practical and emotional support through our Wellbeing Service to enable frail, isolated older people living in and around Melksham to attend their Arts Together group and benefit from stimulating and sometimes challenging creative projects designed to provide the social contact, interest, stimulation and fun which are missing from their lives. New members are generally withdrawn and fearful after long periods of loneliness, but their confidence and zest for life return as they engage with our activities and make new like-minded friends.</p>			
Recommendation of the Health and Wellbeing Group			
<p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £1,500.00 from the 2018/19 budget.</p>			

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

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