

Report to	South West Wiltshire
Date of Meeting	30/01/2019
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the South West Wiltshire Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount
Applicant: Seeds4Success Project Title: Seeds4Success - Local Youth Action Scheme	£5000.00

2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2018/19 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2018/2019.

Community Youth 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.

Community Youth Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

3. The applications

Applicant: Seeds4Success Project Title: Seeds4Success - Local Youth Action Scheme	Amount Requested from Area Board: £5000.00	
This application meets grant criteria 2018/19.		
Project Summary: We would like to deliver a local youth action scheme for young people in South West Wiltshire who are leaving school year 11 or 12 or the equivalent age. Through participation in this programme young people will develop their personal and practical skills enhance their knowledge achieve a range of qualifications and awards and engage in the		

design and delivery of projects to benefit the local community. There will be a greater number of young people empowered to volunteer in the local community and these individuals will feel better supported to make a successful transition to further education training or employment.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: The proposed programme will include 2 taster engagement days where young people can come along and try some activities and find out about the project. These will take place in the Easter and spring half term holidays. There will be 3 days of team building activities in June once all the GCSEs are over. There will be 5 days of skills development activity run from Mere Youth Centre this will enable young people to gain qualifications or awards in Food Safety First Aid Leadership and volunteering. After this there will be 6 - 8 days where young people will plan and run a project or a number of activities that will benefit the local community. The final element will be an outdoor activity residential in Pembrokeshire where young people will be able to celebrate their achievements support each other to face challenges and overcome fears and enjoy a range of new experiences together as a team. This programme will take place before the school summer holidays commence and then it is hoped that some of the young people will use these new skills or qualifications to access further volunteering or employment locally. We aim to find 12 young people to form a team for the LYAS and they will be supported by a minimum of 2 peer leaders who have engaged in NCS in previous years. The social action element of the programme will engage young people in the planning and delivery of a project or a range of activities that will benefit the local community and thus volunteering and community involvement essential. Young people will speak to members of the community when planning their social action project identifying local needs and designing an activity to address this need.

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