

**Report to** Devizes Area Board  
**Date of meeting** 18 March 2019  
**Title of report** Health and Wellbeing funding

**Purpose of the Report:**

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Bromham Good Neighbours	<b>£300.00</b>
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	<b>£300.00</b>
Total Health & Wellbeing funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2018/19	<b>£6,700.00</b>
Total amount awarded so far, 2018/19	<b>£5,300.00</b>
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	<b>£2,100.00</b>

**1. Background**

Area Boards have a delegated revenue budget for 2018/19 of £6,700 to support projects to improve health and wellbeing in the community area. This funding is focussed at, but not limited to, supporting the health and wellbeing of older people and vulnerable people within our community.

**2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2017/2018 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 will improve health and wellbeing in the area and should consider the views of their local Health and Wellbeing Group.

**3. Environmental & Community Implications**

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of 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. Councillors must note that if the two applications being considered here are both granted in full, then the Health & Wellbeing budget will be overspent.

**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.

Applicants have 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**

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Bromham Good Neighbours	Combating loneliness and social isolation	£300.00
<p><b>Project description</b></p> <p>Bromham Good Neighbours is a new group that would like to combat loneliness and social isolation in their community across all age ranges. They are proposing to have 30 volunteers who live in different parts of the village. Each volunteer will get to know their neighbours. The volunteers will be a point of contact for people moving into the village, who want to know what is happening; for those who would like to find out what clubs are running in the village; for lonely people who would like to get to know some people living near them; for those coming home from hospital who would like some shopping getting, etc and for emergencies, such as help needed during snowy weather or extreme heat. Each volunteer will be DBS checked and take part in safeguarding training.</p> <p>The support via this project will be available to anyone in the parish who feels lonely or isolated or wants to know what is going on locally.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b></p> <p>That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £300.00</p>		

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

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