Report to Devizes Area Board

Date of meeting 13 May 2019

Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Devizes School	£1,800.00
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£1,800.00
Total Youth funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2019/20	£20,173.23
Total amount awarded so far, 2019/20	£0.00
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	£19,127.09 (inc. £753.86 carried forward from 2018/19)

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

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 2019/2020 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.

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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 has been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implication

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards and Local Youth Networks must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Youth Grants and Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's 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

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
<u>694</u>	Devizes School	Camp Xtra, 2019	£1,800.00

Project Description

Camp Xtra has been running for 20 years to provide children in the Devizes area an affordable educational and enjoyable summer camp experience. We offer a varied programme of sports, arts, IT, drama and musical activities which are fully inclusive and kept at as a low a cost as can be. Many former camp attendees are now young leaders and assistant coaches. The camp also offers booster classes in literacy and numeracy for new year 7 students at Devizes School.

Camp Xtra is one of the largest summer camps in Wiltshire. It runs for one week in the middle of the summer holidays to provide the young people of Devizes area the chance of an affordable educational and enjoyable experience. Camp Xtra averages 160 - 180 young people per week aged 8-14. In addition, there is a number of young volunteers usually aged 15-16 and the camp recruits some paid 6th formers who are assistant coaches. Most of the children are local and attend schools in the area but some come from further afield.

In order to reduce costs for children from lower income backgrounds the school's pupil premium funding is used. The camp also runs free booster classes in literacy and numeracy for children joining Devizes School in September who need additional support. Children in these classes then get a price reduction if they stay on for the afternoon activities as well. All activities are fully inclusive. There is a low staff to children ratio in all

activities and this allows good pastoral support. There is a designated first aider and 3 pastoral adults who are not running activities who can provide further support.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application from Devizes School and Camp Xtra for £1,800.00 towards the Camp and personal development of young people in 2019.

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

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