

Report to Devizes Area Board
Date of meeting 13 January 2020
Title of report Health and Wellbeing funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living	£250.00
Wiltshire Museum, Devizes	£900.00
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£1,150.00
Total Health & Wellbeing funding allocated to Devizes Area Board 2019/20	£6,700.00
Total amount awarded so far, 2019/20	£1,987.30
Amount remaining if all grants are awarded as per report	£5,662.70 (inc. £2,100 carried forward from 2018/19)

1. Background

Area Boards have a delegated revenue budget for 2019/20 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 2019/2020 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.

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

I.D.	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3563	Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living	Community Christmas Shindig 2019	£250.00
Project description: An accessible inclusive community gathering for the Devizes Community Area to enable and encourage people to make connections in their community. Open to all. The event is open to the whole community with particular promotion through organisations that work with people who may find connecting with their community more challenging e.g. people with disabilities mental ill health those living in temporary accommodation older people who may be experiencing isolation. Devizes held an event called the Big Conversation at which local people identified the need for inclusive opportunities within our community that enable people of all ages and circumstances to meet together. This project will enable this to start in a safe welcoming and fun environment and at a time of year that many people find can be difficult.			
Recommendation: That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £250.00 Note: This application has already been paid via the Community Engagement Manager's delegated authority			

I.D.	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3562	Wiltshire Museum, Devizes	Common Ground - Reminiscence Volunteers for the Community	£900.00
Project description: Using objects to spark conversations reminiscence or creative thought is a powerful therapy for people living with dementia or experiencing social isolation. This quality project use heritage objects to promote a feeling of community. Common Ground is the title for what we hope will be a programme of work using reminiscence resources in a variety of ways. In this application we focus on the training of volunteers to take reminiscence boxes into the community groups and voluntary sector organisations to lead sessions that connect them to the internationally important collections of Wiltshire Museum and to each other. We will give ten local volunteers expert training and mentor support giving them the skills to			

deliver community reminiscence work. Half will be based at the museum and half will be connected to local voluntary organisations. Alzheimer's Support St James Church Devizes and West-Lavington Lunch Club have already expressed interest. We estimate that this will increase our capacity to deliver this work from eight sessions each year to thirty giving people access to heritage learning and the well-being benefits of reminiscence.

Recommendation:

That the application meets the grant criteria and is approved for the amount of £900.00

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

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