

Report to	Bradford on Avon Area Board
Date of Meeting	13/01/2021
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below.

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Winsley Parish Council Project Title: Football Pitch Maintenance and dugout refurbishment materials only View full application	£1895.41
Applicant: Bradford on Avon Area Board Project Title: Support Bradford Town Football Club Fundraising Effort View full application	£500.00
Applicant: Westwood and Iford Parish Council Project Title: Westwood Park Play Area Refurbishment Phase 1 View full application	£5000.00

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2020/2021 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 meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

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 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.

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
3999	Winsley Hill Traffic Action Group	Football Pitch Maintenance and dugout refurbishment materials only	£1895.41

Project Description:

Winsley Parish Council has owned the football field that is adjacent to Avon Park since 1980. It has a long history of use as a football pitch although until recently games were played on this pitch occasionally. In recent years there has been a surge in interest in playing football which is led and managed admirably by Bradford Town Youth Football Club BTYFC. BTYFC now has three teams using the football field near Avonpark with an average of 14 players coming from Winsley and Bradford in each squad. It is anticipated that the interest in playing football and hence use of the pitch will continue to grow as individuals move through the age groups and new younger players join teams. Currently BTYFC has 29 teams in total scattered around the Community Area. The football field is popular amongst the home and away teams for its location - relative ease of access. There has been an agreement in place between Winsley Parish Council and BTYFC that allows the Club to use the pitch for practice every weekend of the football season. The Parish Council does not charge rent for use of the pitch recognising the benefit to the wider community. While day-to-day pitch maintenance is undertaken by BTYFC the Club pays for grass cutting during the growing season there is now need for major repairs to ensure that the pitch remains in a playable condition in the future. Any deterioration in the condition of the pitch could present risk to the

players. During the period when playing was occasional the dugouts alongside the pitch have deteriorated and cannot be used now. They provide players with somewhere to shelter from inclement weather during the winter. The dugouts are constructed using 100mm concrete blocks and are sound and could be refurbished relatively easily. An alternative approach to replace them with new modern dugouts would cost in excess of £4,500. Hence this application covers two elements 1. To carry out renovation works to Avon Park football pitch including specialist weed killer fertilisation of grounds and over seeding. Details of the proposed pitch improvements are given in the quotation provided. BTYFC will continue to pay for grass cutting during growing periods and is willing to fund additional spiking that may be required after this treatment. 2. Purchase of materials for the repair and renovation of two dugouts. Prices have been taken from the Wickes website - summary attached. Leadership and labour for completing repair and renovation of dugouts to be volunteered from the community.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets the criteria for capital funding

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3962	Bradford on Avon Area Board	Support Bradford Town Football Club Fundraising Effort	£500.00

Project Description:

Bradford Town F.C. senior players are running Lands' End to John o Groats to raise funds for The Hub foodbank. As an Area Board we wish to support their efforts to sum of £500 to encourage wellbeing and involvement. Town Council has matched funding for £500.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This Area Board Initiative was approved under delegated authority in December 2020 during the fundraising appeal. Health and Wellbeing funding was allocated to support this project.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
3980	Westwood and Iford Parish Council	Westwood Park Play Area Refurbishment Phase 1	£5000.00

Project Description:

The project is phase 1 of a longer-term scheme costing £56000 to refurbish the play area in Westwood Park. Almost all the current play equipment and safety surface is life expired and no longer meets current safety standards. This first

phase costing GBP15600 would see the replacement of the two sets of 37-year old metal-framed swings with three sets of wooden-framed swings incorporating 2x cradle seats 2x flat seats and one basket seat and new wet-pour safety surfacing below.

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application meets the criteria for capital funding

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

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

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