

Report to	Westbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	23/03/2021
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

# Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Community Area Grants	
Applicant: Edington Parish Council Project Title: Car Park Lighting	£1,750.00
Applicant: Spurgeons Children Centre Project Title: Baby Bundles Storage	£200.00
Applicant: Area Board Initiative Project Title: Wiltshire Search and Rescue	£1,550.00

### 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 <u>Area Board Grants Guidance</u>

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

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Edington Parish Council	Car park lighting	£1,750.00

#### **Project Description:**

The car park which is near to the Edington Parish Hall is owned by the Edington Parish Council and was built using funds raised by the Parish Council. It has been identified in a recent Health and Safety audit undertaken by the Parish Hall that the car park which is the emergency assembly point for the Parish Hall does not meet the requirements as it has no lighting and no spill lighting from adjacent properties. Wiltshire planners have stated "There is clearly a safety need to have some form of lighting installed to serve the car park". We therefore wish to install lighting to not only meet the requirements of Health and Safety but also the needs of users of the car park in normal movement to and from the area.

## Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application fulfils the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant.

#### **Proposal**

That the Area Board determines the application.

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Spurgeons Children Centre	Baby bundles storage	£200.00

#### Project Description:

Spurgeons provides baby bundles for families in need. The bundles contain essential items for young families.

Westbury Methodist Church have kindly provided us with storage space to house the bundles while they are be prepared for allocation. Unfortunately the hall heating is off most of the time to save money. The church are unable to increase the amount of heating they pay for and this



unfortunately is causing the bundles to become damp. We would like to request a grant of £200.00 to provide funds to enable the church to heat the hall more frequently to avoid this damage to the baby bundles

## Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application fulfils the necessary criteria for a Community Area Grant. Subject to a capital/revenue swap with LYN funds.

### Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Wiltshire Council	Wiltshire Search and Rescue	£1,550.00

## **Project Description:**

Wiltshire Search and Rescue offer support to Police, Fire and Ambulance Services throughout the county.

The majority of callouts are to assist in looking for missing vulnerable people in urban and rural settings. 2020 saw a sharp increase in calls during the COVID19 pandemic. This project requires significant funding and this grant application will contribute to ensuring that the service can continue to operate in Wiltshire including in Westbury Community Area moving forward.

#### Input from Community Engagement Manager:

This application fulfils the necessary criteria for an Area Board Initiative.

#### **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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