Report to	Southern Wiltshire Community Area Board		
Date of Meeting	9/09/2021		
Title of Report	Allocation of Youth Club Funding 2021-22		

1. Purpose of the report:

Councillors are asked to agree the allocation of Youth Club Funding for 2021-22

2. Main Considerations

- (i) The 2021-2022 youth budget has £19k remaining.
- (ii) The following 2 options are for the area board to consider in agreeing the allocation of this fund. These options are based on feedback from the leaders and young people at Winterslow, Whiteparish and Old Sarum youth clubs. The clubs have benefitted from and enjoyed the activities delivered by District Sports, Boomsatsuma and Any Body Can Cook, in previous years, and in 2019/20 also requested (and thoroughly enjoyed) a new Bubble Football activity.

Option 1 – 50% commissioned providers / 50 % reserved fund Option 2 – 33% commissioned providers / 66% reserved fund

	District Sports	Boomsatsuma	Anybody Can Cook	Bubble Football	A reserved fund
Option 1	30hrs : £2k	24hrs : £3.5k	18 sessions : £2.5k	6 sessions of 90 mins: £2k	£10k
Option 2	18hrs : £1.1k	18hrs : £2.8k	15 sessions: £2k	3 sessions of 90mins: £1.2k	£11.9k

- (iii) The board will observe that the proposal is to facilitate a reserved fund in 2021/22 for other grant requests, as the Community Engagement Manager is confident of the submission of these, and to make possible the objective of further broadening the overall offer. This reserved fund could, for example, cater for:
 - outdoor learning days provided by the Wiltshire Outdoor Learning Team or Oxenwood Outdoor Learning Team
 - new ideas for new projects and activities arising in year (particularly responding to the findings of the Autumn 2021 Youth Survey)
 - reserve for youth club leader support
 - new ideas and opportunities to support youth activities in the 5 new parishes
 - reserve for events, projects, or support associated with the Rural Youth Outreach Project

3. Youth Clubs

- i. At the time of publishing this report, the only up and running village led youth club is Old Sarum Youth Club, but the hope is for Whiteparish Youth Group and Winterslow Youth Zone to be up and running in the Autumn.
- ii. As an area board we have always tried to fund a menu of 'off the shelf' activities for the village led youth clubs, and perhaps even more so this year, this offer is needed, especially to help Winterslow and Whiteparish get going.

4. Rural Youth Outreach Project (RYOP)

- i. This project has been explained in a separate report.
- ii. This project aims to reach out to those young people not engaged for whatever reason in positive activities, and to strengthen the existing infrastructure of youth activities in Southern Wiltshire. Ideally this infrastructure would extend (perhaps in a more targeted way) its reach to young people not currently engaged.
- iii. Consequently, there is a reasonable expectation that the RYOP will stimulate new activities, possibly new youth clubs, and call upon area board funding to support this.

4. Recommendation

That councillors agree option 1 or 2 as the funding model for youth activities in 2021/22

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