

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> July 2011</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To ask Councillors to consider 5 applications seeking 20010/11 Community Area Grant Funding and one Area Board Project seeking £1500 for A Blue Bus youth Project

1. Wootton Bassett Bowls Club applying for £765 for New Age bowls.
2. Purton and Cricklade Young Farmers Club-applying for £951 for an Outdoor trip - Acorn Adventure Brecon Beacons
3. Purton Historical society applying for £722 for a Plaque to commemorate Astronomer Royal buried in Purton
4. Lyneham Guide and Scout HQ association for relocating and refurbishment of Lyneham guide and scout HQ- applying for £5000
5. Lyneham Village Pre School applying for £4000 for provision of outdoor expansion to pre school



## 1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. One applicant withdrew their applications and hope to reapply at a future date. All applicants are encouraged to contact CIB who work on behalf of Wiltshire Council to support community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils to seek funding for community projects and schemes both from the Area Board and other local and national funding sources.
- 1.5. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.6. Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £51,680 for community grants, community led planning and councillor led initiatives/Area Board projects. The carry forward from the 2009/2010 budget is £6,769. This leaves a total budget of £58,449 for the 2010/2011 budget.
- 1.7. In addition, the Area Board has been allocated an extra £5,226 for Youth Projects, totalling £63,675 for community area grants for the year 2011/2012.
- 1.8. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.9. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

<b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11</li><li>• Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Community Area Plan</li></ul>
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## **2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 5 rounds of funding during 2010/11. The first is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;
  - 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011
  - 30<sup>th</sup> November 2011
  - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2012
  - 28<sup>th</sup> March 2012

## **3. Environmental & Community Implications**

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

## **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board will have a balance of £47,011, in addition, the Area Board has been allocated £5226 for Youth Projects, if the Area Board agrees to fund the Youth Blue Bus Area Board Project this will reduce this to £3726, leaving £50,737 left in the overall budget for Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.

## **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

## **6. HR Implications**

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

## **7. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer Recommendations”.

## 8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1 (ref no 011)	Wootton Bassett Bowls Club	New Age bowls	£765

- 8.1.1. Officer recommends that this application meets criteria
- 8.1.2. Application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.1.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, enabling young and older people to take part in activities in the local community
- 8.1.4. Application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 8.1.5. The applicant is a not for profit organisation bringing bowls to all, in particular youth Organisations, Care homes and Sheltered Accommodation.
- 8.1.6. The project will take a set of New Age Bowls to youth groups care homes and sheltered accommodation to enable people of all ages to explore their physical ability, acquire skills and social networking
- 8.1.7. All ages and abilities of the community will benefit, in particular year 5 and 6 pupils at three junior schools and older people.
- 8.1.8. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project the project will be delayed

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2. (Grant Register ref no)	Purton and Cricklade Young Farmers Club-	Acorn Adventure - Brecon Beacons	£951

- 8.2.1. Officer recommends that this application meets criteria
- 8.2.2. Application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.2.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, enabling young people to take part in physical activities.
- 8.2.4. Application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 8.2.5. The applicant is a registered charity whose objective is - to advance the education of young members of the public at large in agriculture, home crafts, country life - and provide and promote the provision of facilities for recreation and leisure time occupations - improve conditions of life - and assist in the development of their spiritual and mental capacities self reliance and individual responsibility - so that they may grow to full maturity as individuals and members of the community
- 8.2.6. To provide an outdoor education trip for young members aged 12 to 16 yrs old from rural backgrounds.
- 8.2.7. Membership is open to any young person between 12 and 16 with an interest in rural life
- 8.2.8. Explain what will happen if the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will be delayed

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.3. (Grant Register ref no 012)	Purton Historical society	Plaque to commemorate Astronomer Royal buried in Purton	£722

- 8.3.1. Officer recommends that this application meets criteria
- 8.3.2. Application meets grant criteria 2010/11
- 8.3.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, encouraging support of arts and cultural activities in the towns and parishes.
- 8.3.4. Purton Historical Society is a not for profit organisation with the objective of educating the public in the study of history in Purton and surrounding areas
- 8.3.5. The project is to organise a series of events and provide a plaque to commemorate the bi centenary of the death of Nevil Maskelyn. He was Astronomer Royal and was important in the discovery of longitude and is buried in the Churchyard
- 8.3.6. Anyone interested in the history of the local area can view an explanation of the man at his graveside.

8.3.7. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the commemorative plaque part of the project will be delayed

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.4. (Grant Register ref no 151)	Lyneham Guide and Scout HQ Association	Relocating and refurbishment of Lyneham guide and scout HQ	£5000

8.4.1. The Officer recommends that this application meets the criteria.

8.4.2. Application meets grant criteria 2010/11

8.4.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, encouraging leisure recreation and culture and youth facilities support of arts and cultural activities in the towns and parishes.

8.4.4. Lyneham Guide and Scout HQ association is a not for profit organisation with an aim of providing safe and comfortable accommodation for the young people, helpers and leaders of the scouts and guides

8.4.5. The project is to relocate and refurbish Lyneham guide and scout HQ. The land currently occupied has been sold for development, a new area has been identified at Air Dispatch Site and the title registered and planning permission has been granted (10/03070.FUL)

8.4.6. The Guides and Scouts association has a policy for equality of access to all young people.

8.4.7. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will be delayed and Guides and Scouts, Brownies and Rainbows will have to continue using borrowed premises, risking the sense of belonging and losing members. In addition, the raising of additional funds would be further delayed without a commitment to fund part of the project.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.5. Register ref no 005)	Lyneham Village Pre School	Provision of outdoor expansion to pre school	£4000

8.5.1. Officer recommends that this application meets criteria

8.5.2. Application meets grant criteria 2010/11

- 8.5.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, with the changes proposed in Lyneham, this will provide an improved stable and secure environment for the community left behind.
- 8.5.4. Lyneham Village Pre School is a not for profit organisation
- 8.5.5. The project is to organise provide an expansion to the outdoor provision for the pre school, creating an additional garden area and enabling free flow outdoor play for all the children and adhere to Ofsted's requirements. Defence Estates have given permission to use a section of the car park for the expansion
- 8.5.6. All children under fives will have access to the new area.
- 8.5.7. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will be delayed

8.6.	Area Board Project	Provision of Blue Bus for young people	£1500
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- 8.6.1. Officer recommends that this application meets criteria for an Area Board Project
- 8.6.2. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan, with the aim of developing provision to provide young people with the opportunity to meet their friends safely and to encourage them to become active members of the communities in which they live and operate.
- 8.6.3. The project is to provide a staffed Blue Bus in 5 different locations. The mobile community centre, with excellent youth resources will be utilised to conduct a consultation exercise with young people in five different villages. Young people will be asked a range of questions to determine what provision they would like to see introduced within their specific geographical area and to ascertain if there is a need to provide transport links for young people, to travel to leisure time activities in other locations or to provide young people with meeting spaces.
- 8.6.4. All young people in the chosen locations will have access to the blue bus.
- 8.6.5. If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will not go ahead

<b>Appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 Grant application – Wootton Bassett Bowls Club Appendix 2 Grant application – Purton and Cricklade Young Farmers Club Appendix 3 Grant application – Purton Historical society Appendix 4 Grant application Lyneham Guide and Scout HQ association Appendix 5 Grant application - Lyneham Pre School Appendix 6 Area Board Project application – Blue bus
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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