Wiltshire Council

Tidworth Area Board

18 March 2024

Tidworth Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- 1. To provide details of the grant applications made to the Tidworth Area Board. These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
- 2. To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

| | Community Area Grants | Youth Grants | Older and Vulnerable People Grants |
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| Opening Balance For 2023/24 | £ 16,353.00 | £ 16,710.00 | £ 7,700.00 |
| Awarded To Date | £ 1,500.00 | £ 5,000.00 | £ 1,000.00 |
| Current Balance | £ 14,853.00 | £ 11,710.00 | £ 6,700.00 |
| Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations | £ 1,678.00 | £ 560.00 | £ -6,600.00 |

Area Board Current Financial Position

Grant Funding Application Summary

| Application Reference | Grant Type | Applicant | Project | Total Cost | Requested |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| ABG1399 | Area Board Initiative | Tidworth Area Board | Rural Youth Outreach Project | £10000.00 | £5000.00 |

Project Summary:

The Rural Youth Outreach Project has been delivering in the Tidworth Community Area for two years now, and is

looking to progress into year 3. The project delivers pop-up youth club events, and is looking to recruit volunteers to establish regular sessions.

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| <u>ABG1652</u> | Area Board Initiative | Tidworth Area Board | Printing of Cost of Living support leaflet | £300.00 | £300.00 |

The area board is working in partnership with Tidworth Town Council, Ludgershall Town Council, parish councils and a wide range of community groups, charities, faith settings and local organisations to ensure those most in need have access to information regarding cost of living support. The information will be available online, and this funding will enable 12,000 copies to be printed, which will be located in key public spaces across the city where there is a known need for additional support.

| <u>ABG1481</u> | Community Area | Ludgershall | Replacement Boiler and | £10725.00 | £5000.00 |
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| | Grant | Memorial Hall | Oil Tank | | |

Project Summary:

The boiler in the Ludgershall Memorial Hall is thought to be 40 years old and is inefficient and temperamental. The Steel oil tank is rusting out and is also believed to be 40 years or more old and does not meet current fire safety standards.

| <u>ABG1682</u> | Community Area Grant | Chute Village Hall | Supply and Installation of a Hive Smart Eco Central | £350.00 | £175.00 |
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| | | | Heating Thermostat | | |

Project Summary:

Chute Village Hall is a Grade 11 listed building which was a former school which has a vaulted feature wooden ceiling. The current heating system is both Oil and electric and with functions particuarly in the winter the heatings controls mean two visits to the hall to programme and turn off. A Hive Eco model will allow the heating to be programmed and monitered from a mobile phone which will save in running costs both in personnel and heating.

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| <u>ABG1695</u> | Community Area Grant | The Castle Practice | Waiting Room refresh post Covid working | £6048.00 | £3000.00 |

The Castle Practice during the Covid 19 pandemic continued to provide GP services throughout the period of lock-down, where may practices operated a very reduced service. We mobilised to provide a Covid-19 vaccination vaccination programme from the outset for the whole of the Ludgershall and Tidworth community, both working our of the Tidworth Leisure Centre and providing smaller clinics from within the practices. Practice seating from the waiting rooms needed to be used for these clinics both at the Leisure Centre and in the practices. As a consequence the seating was significantly damaged by continually having to wipe down the seating as part of infection prevention and control with alcohol sprays, breaking down the integrity of the surface over a period of time. The wiping down was carried out between every patient whether they were seen at the Leisure Centre or in practice for their vaccinations, also when any patients had attended the practices at all for the height of the pandemic. Many practices decided not to offer vaccination services at scale for their patients, which meant that they then had to attend external mass vaccination clinics (of which the largest were in the Salisbury & Andover areas, with a smaller one in Ludgershall). We believed that this was not to the benefit of our local patient population and may have acted as a barrier to being vaccinated, and fought to provide them at scale locally to enable the local population to benefit from the increased "herd immunity". In the first year of the pandemic we delivered over 30,000 vaccinations to the local population of Ludgershall and Tidworth, including serving personnel in the initial stages to enable them to continue delivering services to the general public and help with the pandemic programme. The extent of the damage became more obvious in the last 12 months where the seating has become damaged so severely now that we are in need of replacing it all, which is a significant cost to the practice of which we receive no financial support to do so. In fact our budgets are being cut in real terms whilst all of our running costs and staff costs have escalated over the last 3 years. The practice would propose to match fund the grant for the seating which will cost in the region of £6k, so we would be requesting a 50% grant. The seating would also be replaced by stack-able configurations with hard wipe-able surfaces (the previous ones were wipe-able vinyl), this will enable us to continue to provide them for use in mass clinics for the future.

| <u>ABG1701</u> | Community Area | Perham Down | Perham Down | £50000.00 | £5000.00 |
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| | Grant | Community Centre | Community Centre Play | | |
| | | | Park | | |

Project Summary:

This project aimed at enhancing the recreational facilities within the Perham Down Community Center. We are keen to establish a permanent play park within the grounds of the Perham Down Community Centre, serving both military families and local residents alike. Such an addition would not only promote physical activity and social interaction but also contribute significantly to the overall well-being of our community members.

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| <u>ABG1675</u> | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | ARMED FORCES EQUINE CHARITY | Activity Sessions for the Lonely and Isolated | £10000.00 | £5000.00 |

To provide therapeutic, non-ridden, equine activities combined with discussion groups and presentations in a lunch-club style format in the Armed Forces Equine Charity Hub located in the Tidworth Polo Park for the isolated and lonely, along with their carers, within the Tidworth area. Building on the successful Get Out - Get Active programme already delivered but with a focus on the well-being of the older and vulnerable members of the community. The funding applied for will cover 10 weekly sessions for 10 people and their carers.

| Vu | lder and ulnerable Adults unding | OUR TIME PROJECT | TIDWORTH MOVEMENT AND THEATRE WORKSHOPS FOR ELDERS | £6000.00 | £3000.00 |
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TO PRODUCE AND DELIVER A SERIES OF HIGH QUALITY INSPIRING THEATRE AND MOVEMENT WORKSHOPS WITH ELDERLY COMMUNITIES IN TIDWORTH : CREATING JOYFUL, LIFE - ENHANCING EXPERIENCES, UNDER THE GUIDANCE AND THE EXPERTISE OF THE OUR TIME PROJECT COMPANY. INVOLVING ACTIVE ELDERS, VERY FRAIL, THOSE WHO HAVE HAD STROKES, AND THOSE WITH DEMENTIA .ULTIMATELY ENCOURAGING PERSONAL DISCOVERY AND A SHARED AND ENLIGHTENING COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE WHICH WILL HAVE POSITIVE REPERCUSSIONS IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY. The workshops will improve the health and well-being of participants at The Sunset Club Ludgershall and potentailly Tidworth over 60s Club and Trinity House Tidworth and encouraging mental and physical stimulation as well as being a joyful creative collective experience for both elders and carers. www.ourtimeproject.weebly.com

https://www.youtube.com/@ourtimeproject Tailor- made to the needs of each group whether very frail, active elders or those with dementia or who have had strokes, the OUR TIME PROJECT inspires through the use of movement and theatrical play, drawing from the life experience of participants, guiding with delicate expertise and taking ideas onto a theatrical level, allowing and encouraging the participants to see each other in new ways, and encouraging a fantastic shared experience which has an impact inside the prospective homes and groups as well as having ripples into the wider communities through the carers and families ; Carers are encouraged to participate and sometimes family members who are visiting. In Tidworth Bartlett The Sunset Club Ludgershall and Tidworth ovr 60s club (whom we've spoken to and have interest) and Trinity House Tidworth and have been highlighted as having a clear needs and a keen interest in having OUR TIME PROJECT delivering this work for the beneficiaries of elders. Each residency workshop is a unique experience in itself and is tailor made to the needs and requirements of each group whether very frail active elders those with dementia or physically disabled. These workshops draw from the distinctive experience of the Company and the experience of the Director who has created pioneering theatre and movement work with the elderly over the past 14 years. It is a pre- requisite of the company's ethos to have an innovative creative and life enhancing approach to interactive workshops with the elderly. Drawing from training at the Lecoq International school 1992 -1994 and over 20 years' experience as a Director of theatre Sue Lee B.A Hons Diploma Ecole Lecoq Director coordinates the OUR TIME PROJECT and encourages a direct and stimulating environment with the Our Time expert practitioners where wonderful experiences and great discoveries happen with much laughter under the care and collaboration with care workers within each workshop setting. The workshops aim to inspire and bring out the undiscovered in each participant drawing on the creativity that stems from each individual's life experience and celebrate this in a joyous way. Movement is at the core and each workshop begins with simple movements which will have a great physical benefit then leading to simple improvisation creating a unique vibrant and life enhancing experience that bonds the collective and rejoices the individuals uniqueness. The workshops are delicate drawing out the creative potential in each person in a sensitive way as well as encouraging a group shared experience. The workshops aim to stimulate physical activity as well as spiritually bind the group encouraging well-being and improved quality of health. Some feedback from the previous set of workshops in the area Rebecca Brown leader from Forum Stroke Club "I think the members really enjoyed it they were smiling and laughing it is wonderful for their imagination and memory. It is good for them to interact as a group. They gain confidence I could really see this programme happening again as it was great fun.' Chris brown day centre participant Mrs Alison Meer's .'It took me out of my shy comfort zone.... Making a fool of oneself isn't a bad thing from time to time... I wish I had started being so fluid in movements earlier'.

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| <u>ABG1705</u> | Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding | St James Ludgershall PCC | Our Community Churchyard | £11270.00 | £5000.00 |

For many years church members have maintained the churchyard of St James Church as a space where many local people's relatives are buried. We have done this on behalf of the local community, but not necessarily engaging the local community, for decades. This year we are the launching the "Our Community Churchyard" project with three aims: 1) to increase engagement with our local community by providing volunteering opportunities on a monthly basis in St James churchyard to help to combat isolation and improve mental health. We are planning to work with the Social Prescribers at the Castle Practice, other professionals and local voluntary organisations to identify those local people who might benefit most from this gentle exercise, working in a natural environment, with other people all while contributing to our local community in a meaningful way by helping with the upkeep of this community space. 2) to encourage more people to visit our churchyard as a space for a gentle walk in peaceful surroundings with areas of nature. Our Community Churchyard is ideally placed for this being easily accessible from where people live and near to the centre of our community. For many years we have had areas of meadow in the churchyard as part of our Eco Church project. This year we would like to make Our Community Churchyard a space that is a "living churchyard" by not only encouraging more nature but also encouraging more visitors. This will be achieved by better managing those meadow areas, by creating a network of paths in these areas that are set aside for nature and by promoting Our Community Churchyard as a space for people of all ages – from young parents with their children, to schools groups, to the elderly – to visit throughout the year as the seasons change. As in the first aim, this second aim will to help to combat isolation and improve mental health by encouraging gentle exercise with other people. Again, we are planning to work with the Social Prescribers at the Castle Practice, other professionals and local voluntary organisations to promote Our Community Churchyard to those people who will benefit most, especially those who are isolated and struggle with their mental health. 3) to improve the management of the churchyard where many local people's relatives are buried and a space that many local people already visit on a regular basis to tend their relatives' graves, where local people already meet to socialise walking to the churchyard and sitting on the benches that we installed in 2022. We also want to ensuring that the footpath on the north side of the churchyard is kept clear throughout the year to a much higher standard than previously to encourage people to walk into the centre of Ludgershall from the housing to the west of Ludgershall, including the new housing on the Drummond Park estate. Where this work is not suitable for volunteers we will have to pay for this work to be done. This third aim is needed to enable the first two aims and will represent the bulk of the costs of this project.

| ABG1590 Youth Grant | Collingbourne Ducis Parish Council | Recreation Ground Youth Shelter Seating | £10000.00 | £5000.00 |
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Project Summary:

The project is to provide a covered shelter on the recreation ground of Collingbourne Ducis. This shelter is for the benefit of the youth of the village and will be sited adjacent to the outdoor gym, skate board ramps and positioned on the edge of the cricket green. The purpose of the structure, which is covered, is to encourage the youth the socialise outdoors to improve their wellbeing. This structure is to replace the previous wooden structure, which was removed due to health and safety concerns following a spate of vandalism. The new structure will be more robust and less likely to be vandalised.

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| <u>ABG1688</u> | Youth Grant | Tidworth Town Football Club | Tidworth Town FC Under 14 Saracens Football Team Tracksuits and Strip | £1500.00 | £750.00 |
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To provide 2 x storage containers so that users of the hall can store their equipment on site.

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Public Health Implications

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Environmental & Climate Change Implications

18. 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.

Financial Implications

19. Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

Legal Implications

20. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

Workforce Implications

21. There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

Equalities Implications

- 22. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
- 23. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

24. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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