

Chippenham Area Board Youth Funding Application

1. What is the project?

CLOGS Workshops for Young People: A variety of workshops designed for young people aged 5 – 18 from Chippenham and the surrounding villages. These workshops would take place over the course of a week and help develop skills and techniques in aspects of Performing Arts.

This project would aim to include the following workshops:

- Voice/Singing
- Movement/Dance (Street dance included)
- Circus skills
- Stage fighting
- Audition techniques
- Dialogue
- Sound, lighting and scenery (if requested and a Professional can be found)

2. Where would the project take place?

The Neeld hall or the Tabernacle Church in Chippenham. (Still to be decided depending on numbers)

3. When would the project take place?

Either the week commencing July 30th or the week commencing August 6th depending on numbers. Children would have the option of attending all workshops every day from 10am-4pm and then performing a small devised show on the Friday to family members and friends. Alternatively, children may pick to attend only certain workshops if this is desired.

- 4. What are the:**
- a. Community benefits?**
 - b. Evidence of need?**
 - c. Links to Community Plan?**

a) Community Benefits:

- Project would include young people from the whole community area giving them the opportunity to build relationships with other community members
- These workshops would provide a range of cultural opportunities for everyone involved
- Young people would be taught and directed by professional working leaders from various theatre groups outside of Chippenham. We have contacted professionals from Bath and had a positive response
- This project would allow young people to let out all of their energy in a safe, fun environment with leaders who have previously been credited for their outstanding work with children
- Workshops would be open to non-members of CLOGS therefore anyone within the age limit is able to attend and everyone is equal

b) Evidence of Need:

- There are not many opportunities like this currently available in Chippenham. Young people have to travel to places such as Bath or Bristol for experiences like these. They have few ways to express themselves musically and artistically in Chippenham
- There is a huge need to attract boys into aspects of Performing Arts as a gender disparity is generally noticed. Workshops such as stage fighting, circus skills and street dance will help bring in more male young people
- Young people feel that they have limited 'safe places' to meet people and engage in positive and purposeful activities and have expressed a need for more opportunities

c) Link to Community Plan:

- 8.1 Provide support to active and successful clubs that provide outlets for youth

Young people need to feel engaged and included in activities. Professional workers encourage and support their goals and ideas

- 8.3 There are some community arts groups in Chippenham however they often work in isolation with no overall strategy or coordination

People value the groups that exist but wish to see them better supported and developed

- 8.3 MicroChippys Youth Theatre was launched and have performed 3 summer schools with huge success

Summer schools were popular and inspiring for the children involved showing the need and wish to have more opportunities similar to this

5. What is the desired outcome of this project?

- To help young people gain new skills and explore new experiences
- To help build confidence and self-esteem of young people which will help them move towards future goals and desired careers
- Creating an environment where everyone must respect and trust one another
- Being able to help young people become engaged in something positive and worthwhile
- Creating a legacy, hoping that workshops such as these can become an annual yearly event

6. Costs / match funding? (Please provide quotes)

Cost of venue -Neeld Hall in Chippenham booked for the week commencing July 30th - £960
Workshop Leaders: Professionals from 'Curtain Up' £150 per session (x10 sessions) - £1,500
Payment of Musicians: £60 per day (x5 days) - £300
Admin: Publicity - £100
Refreshments - £50

Total Cost: £2,910

A charge of £30 for the week or £6 a day will be charged to all young people involved. This will help to ensure that money is available to create an event like this again. The aim is to make this a legacy which will continue.

7. Additional information

Publicity for this event will be done by CLOGS in the usual way we advertise for shows. A new CLOGS website has been designed recently so information will be displayed on there as well as other connections that we use

Video footage of the children's rehearsal for 'The Sound of Music' will hopefully be displayed at the presentation on the 5th March. We want to show how enthusiastic and hardworking all the children involved are (ages range from 5-18.) Adults and children working together creates an incredible atmosphere within CLOGS which has inspired more members to support the idea of workshops for young people. ✓

8. Declaration (on behalf of organisation or group) – I confirm that....

- The information on this form is correct, that any award received will be spent on the activities specified
- If an award is received, I will provide receipts and complete and return and evaluation sheet
- That any form of license or approval for this project has been received prior to the submission of this application
- That the necessary policies and procedures will be in place prior to the start of the project:
 - Child protection Safeguarding adults Equal opportunities
 - Public Liability Insurance
- I give permission for press and media coverage by Wiltshire Council
- That acknowledgement will be given to Wiltshire Council support in any publicity, printed or website material

9. Name & contact details of applicant