

Report to	Tidworth Area Board
Date of Meeting	19th March 2012
Title of Report	Member- led Area Board projects

Purpose of Report

1. To ask Councillors to consider three applications seeking 2011/12 Community Area Grant Funding as member led projects.

- a. Support to Summer Activities Programme £3,500
- b. Support to represent Tidworth Community Area at the Lord Lieutenants Event on 1st May -£1,060
- c. Support to Tidworth and Ludgershall Jubilee/Olympics celebrations- £5,000

Officer
Recommendation

Award in full

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1. Background

Area Board Projects

In addition to the Community Area Grant Scheme, Area Boards may wish to use a proportion of their funding for projects which fall outside the criteria of the Community Area Grant Scheme. These projects would be initiated by Area Board members for consideration and approval by the Area Board.

- a. The Area Board may wish to agree to limit the amount of money used for Area Board projects in order to retain a viable grants pot. This might be a set sum or a percentage of the whole budget.

As stated in the Cabinet report/approved:

In considering requests the Area Board will need to bear in mind the impact this will have on the amount of funding available to support applications from local community groups and organisations.

- b. The Cabinet Report stated that any project initiated by a Councillor outside of the Community Grants system must have the approval of the Area Board and should clearly set out one or more of the following:
 - *Evidence of community need*
 - *Clear links to the community plan*
 - *Evidence that it addresses an on-going issue that has been logged via the Community Issues System*
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- c. The Council is committed to operating transparently so it is suggested that Councillors should provide basic information including:
 - What is the initiative?
 - Where will it take place?
 - When will it take place?
 - What are the community benefits/evidence of need/links to the community plan/logged issue etc?
 - Who will project manage the initiative?
 - Costs/quotes -Total cost up to £5,000 one quote 5k-25k provide 3 quotes

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that awards meet the criteria set out above.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

- 3.1 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 Tidworth Area Board.

5. Legal Implications

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

6. Human Resources Implications

6.1. There are no specific human resources 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	Supporting Member	Project proposal	Funding requested
Tid/11/0 27	Cllr Chris Williams	Support to Summer Activities Programme run by Extended Services	£3,500

8.1.1. Whilst member led projects fall outside of the general Community Area Grants Criteria (which preclude double dipping i.e. funding services already funded by Wiltshire Council), members will still need to consider whether the evidence of community need and potential benefits of this scheme are sufficient to make the award.

8.1.2. If members are satisfied on the above matters then the officer recommendation is to approve the award.

8.1.3. The application demonstrates a link to the Tidworth Community Plan 2003-13, page 15 which notes the ongoing need for community facilities and services for young people.

8.1.4. The project is a joint project between Extended Services and Youth Development Services to run a programme of summer activities for young people across the community area including young people in the parishes.

8.1.5. Evidence of need has been obtained from discussions with young people, with parish councils and other partners. Evaluation of the last scheme has also been identified as positive.

8.1.6. Benefits for young people have been identified as increasing activity and development of skills in sports, motor skills, social development, healthy eating and providing structured support and leisure time activity during the summer break.

8.1.7. The project costs are £7,000 of which £3,500 is being provided by Extended Services as match funding. The funding requested from Tidworth Area Board is £3,500.

8.1.8. The project will be managed by Extended Services/Youth Development Services and

young people.

8.1.9. The application is sponsored by Cllr Chris Williams.

Ref	Supporting Member	Project proposal	Funding requested
Tid/11/028	Cllr Mark Connolly	Support to Lord Lieutenants Event on 1st May	£1,060

8.1.10. It is recommended that this application is supported in full.

8.1.11. The project links to the Community Area Plan in promotion of the culture and history of the community area and providing opportunities for increasing tourism.

8.1.12. The Lord Lieutenants Event to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee will be held in Cathedral Close in Salisbury on 1st May and will feature a day of celebration and entertainment which will be covered by the local and national media. A full day's entertainment and celebration is planned and activities include area boards from across the county displaying the best of the history and culture of their community area in jousting style tents. HRH Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh will be visiting the event and it is important that as many community areas as possible are represented to show the best that Wiltshire has to offer.

8.1.13. The project is to hire a Grand Round tent for Tidworth Community Area, to transport displays and memorabilia and return them safely and to provide subsistence expenses for those attending to represent the community area.

8.1.14. The planning and management of the event is being undertaken by the Culture and Leisure Thematic Group of TCAP with support for the Area Board and Community Area Manager.

8.1.15. The costs are estimated at £1,060, to be confirmed at the Area Board.

8.1.16. The application is sponsored by Cllr Mark Connolly.

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Tid 11/029	Cllr Charles Howard	Support to local Jubilee/Olympic celebrations in Tidworth and Ludgershall	£5,000

8.1.14 It is recommended that this application is awarded in full.

8.1.15 The project links to the Community Plan for Tidworth Community Area in promoting community cohesion and opportunities for local communities to come together. It also links to community aspirations to develop tourism and promote the community area.

8.1.16 The towns of Tidworth and Ludgershall are currently preparing plans for the celebration of both the Queens Diamond Jubilee and the 2012 Olympics. The Olympic Torch will be passing through both towns on 11th July.

8.1.17 Both towns recognise the historic significance of these events and the opportunities they provide to bring local communities together in celebration and promote the community area to a wider audience.

8.1.18 Both towns have made significant investment in the planned celebrations and the area board is keen to ensure they are supported in this.

8.1.19 The project is to provide funding of £2,500 to each town to support the planned activities

- fun fair in Tidworth (total cost £5,500)
- Road closure notice Ludgershall (£1500), Band sound system (£800) schools artwork prizes (£200)

8.1.20 Projects will be managed by the local committees set up for this purpose in each Town and including representatives of the town councils.

8.1 21 The application is sponsored by Cllr Charles Howard

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Area Board Member Project Application- Summer Activities Scheme- £3,500 Appendix 2 Area Board member Project Application- Lord Lieutenant's Event, £1,060 Appendix 3 Area Board Member Project Application- Support to Olympic/Jubilee events in Tidworth and Ludgershall, £5,000

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