

Report to	Tidworth Area Board
Date of Meeting	March 2012
Title of Report	Youth Initiatives Funding

Purpose of Report

To consider three applications seeking Youth Initiatives funding from the Tidworth Area Board

1. Collingbourne Scout Group Club relaunch-resources to support relaunch- £648
2. Cheeky Monkeys Playgroup- £1349.99
3. Extended Services Primary Cluster Arts project- £1,000

Officer Recommendation

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1. Background

1.1. At its meeting in July 2011 Tidworth Area Board agreed to determine applications for this year's youth initiatives funding totalling £6,228 using the principles of Participatory Budgeting whereby those attending the area board meeting in Jan 2012 make the decisions on which projects are supported.

1.2. Those present at the area board meeting on 16th January 2012 scored the three projects that applied against the criteria set and then gave an overall score. All three projects met the criteria and scored more than 50% of the total vote. They received funding as set out below;

- **Zouch School**- development of an area of outdoor learning for science discovery _ £1,000,
- **Everleigh Parish Council and Young People** to enhance the village playground a street board £820,
- **Ludgershall Youth Centre**, to set up a football team for Ludgershall Youth Centre, £970

1.3 At the end of the Participatory Budgeting Exercise there is £3,438 remaining in the Youth Initiatives pot. This is now open to any other applications for projects supporting young people across the community area. Three applications for funding have been received for consideration by the Area Board on March 19th 2012. These are;

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a) **Collingbourne Scout Group Club –relaunch- Tid/YP/11/007**

The bid is for resources to support the relaunch of the Collingbourne Scout Club Cub section. The club was closed in April 2011, due to scout leaders moving away and a new group being established in Burbage. With the closure of the Club some scouts moved to Burbage, however this meant an additional 4 miles travelling.

A survey of parents showed a continuing need for a Cub section in the Collingbournes and the club was reopened on 18th Jan 2012 with the support of two volunteers and a parent helper.

The bid is to provide for equipment to enhance the facilities already provided and upgrade other equipment, to ensure the continuation and growth of the Cub section.

The project will serve the Collingbournes, Everleigh and surrounding villages

It will be managed by the group Committee which includes the leaders of the beavers and Cub sections.

The total amount requested is £648.

It is recommended that this application is supported in Full.

b. Cheeky Monkeys Playgroup -Tid/YP/11/006

The bid is for resources to improve the facilities for the mums and young children from both army and civilian families using the twice weekly Cheeky Monkeys coffee morning provided at Tidworth Leisure Centre, supported by the Army Welfare Service.

The coffee mornings regularly attracts 28 parents and around 35 children and provides quality play opportunities for toddlers and support to parents.

The bid is for resources to provide a soft play area which is currently not available anywhere in Tidworth, the nearest facility of this nature being in Andover.

The soft play area would provide toddlers with skills in climbing, crawling, jumping, and balancing and will increase their self confidence, self esteem and levels of activity and fitness.

It will also support parents in their learning about play and their children's development.

The project will be managed by the Community Development Worker for the Army Welfare Service.

The total cost is £1349.99 for which quotes have been provided.

It is recommended that this application is supported in full.

c. Extended Services- Primary Cluster Arts Project- Tid/YP/11/008

The bid is for a contribution towards an arts project involving all primary schools in the community area to produce silk banners to celebrate the Jubilee and Olympics. Banners will be displayed in schools and from lampposts in Tidworth and Ludgershall as the torch procession passes through.

5 projects in all will be undertaken, one at each of the primary schools. Projects will be supported by arts development workers and an artist. Extended services and Wiltshire Council arts development workers will provide match funding and support .

The total project cost is £3,185 and a contribution of £1,000 is requested from the area board youth initiatives fund.

The project will be managed by the extended services co-ordinator, arts development workers and teachers.

It is recommended that this application is supported in full.

1.5 Financial Implications

If all projects are supported in line with the recommendations above the area

board will have a remaining balance of £440 in the Youth Initiatives Fund.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 Youth Initiatives Fund application Collingbourne Scout Club- £648
Appendix 2 Youth Initiatives Fund application, Cheeky Monkeys Playgroup- £1349.99
Appendix 3 Youth Initiatives Fund application, Extended Services- £1,000

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