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Wiltshire Council

Report to	Salisbury
Date of Meeting	10 January, 2012
Title of Report	Area Board Grants

#### **Purpose of Report**

To ask Councillors to consider 11 community area grant applications and 3 Area Board project bids seeking 20012/13 Community Area Grant Funding.

#### **Community Area Grants**

- Friary Transitions Group: Youth Voices are seeking £350 to fund a facilitated youth group
- Salisbury Quakers: Green Fair are seeking £870 to put on a free event to promote greener living
- VisitWiltshire Ltd are seeking £3,000 to do a Salisbury Tourism Marketing Campaign
- St Francis Church (Salisbury) are seeking £5,000 to redevelop the external area of the re-built hall
- St Mark's Pre-school is seeking £5,000 to develop the outdoor space into an outdoor learning experience
- Salisbury Arts Centre is seeking £5,000 for their Salisbury Odyssey programme
- St Marks Road is seeking £888 to purchase and plant trees
- Churches Together is seeking £1,000 to put on an Exhibition of Artwork
- Bemerton Methodist Church is seeking £948 for a breadmaking project
- Harnham Schools Travel Group is seeking £750 to produce a travel leaflet
- Salisbury Blind Choir is seeking £890 for set up costs

#### Area Board Project Bid

- £950 is sought to set up a Lorry Watch scheme
- £3,875 is sought to purchase and deliver recyclable cloth bags to Salisbury Schools
- £326 is sought to produce and distribute a flyer on Autism

# 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 Adult Care, Communities and Housing (4 April 2012). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2012/2013.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any decision of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria and/or the officer's recommendation would need to demonstrate that the application in question has a wider community benefit, and give specific reasons for why this should justify an exception to the criteria.
- 1.3. The emphasis in the Coalition Government's Localism agenda supports the ethos of volunteering and community involvement and the nurturing of resilient communities. With this in mind Community Area Grants (CAGs) should be encouraged from and awarded to community and voluntary groups. Likewise, Small Grants (new this year) should be awarded to similar groups, as well as unconstituted groups of people wanting to improve things near to where they live.
- 1.4. Salisbury Area Board has been allocated a 2012/2013 budget of £78,075 for community grants, small grants, community partnership core funding and area board/councillor led initiatives.
- 1.5. Applications of up to and including £1,000 can be made for a Community Area Grant, which will not require matched funding. Amounts of £1,000 £5000 will be required to find matched funding. The area board will rarely award more than £5,000.
- 1.6. Small Grants, new for this year will fund up to £350, where the total cost of the project does not exceed £350. This grant is aimed at enabling groups (including those not formally constituted) to implement projects, involving local people to make their community a better place to live.
- 1.7. Area boards will not consider Community Area Grant (CAG) applications from town and parish councils for purposes that relate to their statutory duties or powers that should be funded from the local town/parish precept. However this does not preclude bids from town/parish councils, encouraging community projects that provide new opportunities for local people or those functions that are not the sole responsibility of the town/parish council.
- 1.8. In addition to CAGs and Small Grants, councillors can submit an Area Board/Councillor Led Initiative. This enables area boards to tackle sticky community issues and/or community identified priorities. Cabinet have emphasised that they do not wish these to be used to avoid complying with Community Area Grant criteria or for filling gaps where there are council service shortfalls. The application process and form has been updated to bring it in line with the other grants.
- 1.9. Officers are required to provide recommendations in their funding reports (except in

the case of Area Board Projects), although the decision to support applications is made by Wiltshire Councillors on the Area Board.

- 1.10. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.11. Applicants are encouraged to contact and seek funding help from Charities Information Bureau (CIB) who work on behalf of Wiltshire Council. CIB 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.
- 1.12. Paper copies of funding applications no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce paper. They are however available on the Wiltshire Council web site with the area board agenda papers and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.13. The 2012/2013 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (<u>www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards</u>) and paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.
- 1.14. All recipients of area board funding are expected to complete and return an evaluation form as soon as the project or activity has been completed and this should be accompanied by receipts and invoices, as well as photographs if possible. Failure to return the evaluation requested will preclude them from being considered for any future funding from the area board. This applies to all grants made by the area board.
- 1.15. A budget ring-fenced for the needs of young people will again be made available in 2012/2013. How this will be allocated will be the decision of the area board.
- 1.16. Salisbury Area Board has a separate Community Area Transport Group (CATG) budget for 2012/13.

Background documents used in the preparation of	<ul> <li>Area Board Grant Guidance 2012/13 as presented for delegated decision</li> </ul>
this Report	'Our Salisbury' Community Area Plan

## 2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2012/13 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 6 rounds of funding during 2012/2013. No grants were submitted for consideration at the 5 July, 2012 meeting, therefore, this is the fifth round of

funding. Future rounds will take place on;

• 14 March, 2013 (deadline for applications is 24 January, 2012)

## 3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1. Area Board Grants 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 Salisbury Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Salisbury Area Board will have a balance of **£-3,183.00**.

### 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 and Small Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, town and parish council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 "Officer Recommendations".

#### 8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_030	Friary Transitions Group Youth Voices	To bring young people together through a collective creative activity	£350

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £350
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13 and is in accordance with point 1.6 which refers to the small grant scheme of up to £350.
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities

- 5) Summary details about applicant: The application has been submitted by a Wiltshire Council Officer who is working on the Salisbury Wiltshire Voices project which concentrates on tenants living in The Friary, Salisbury. This project aims to involve young local people to make their community a better place to live.
- 6) Summary details about the project: This project aims to involve young local people to make their community a better place to live.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will not go ahead.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_31	Salisbury Quakers	To put on a free Green Fair event to promote greener living	£870

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £870.
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: Salisbury Quakers Company's name is Dorset & South Wiltshire Area Quaker Meeting a Company Limited by Guarantee. Charity Number 226096. The objects of the Company are the furtherance in the public interest of the religious and charitable purposes of the Society.
- 6) Summary details about the project: The project is asking for funds to publicise a Green Fair which will consist of a series of interactive displays and presentatoins by organisations (including relevant Council officers) and workshops for adults and children. The event will be free to participating organisations and local people.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding will have to be found elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_024	VisitWiltshire Ltd	To do a Salisbury Tourism Marketing Campaign	£3,000

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £3,000 subject to confirmation of provisional funds identified as project income from business and other partners being met.
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: Visit Wiltshire is a Company Limited by Guarantee No 7458523. The objects of the company are to carry on business and activities as may promote and develop tourism in the county of Wiltshire.
- 6) Summary details about the project: This is a one year marketing campaign project which seeks to raise awareness of Salisbury as a tourist destination with the aim of growing the Salisbury Economy.

7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding will have to be found elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL	St Francis Church	To redevelop the external area of the re-	£5,000
12_026	(Salisbury)	built hall	

- The Officer asks Members to take into consideration that there are applications to Trusts/Foundations to the value of £32,944 which need to be confirmed. Any offer from the Board would therefore need to be subject to this confirmation.
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: St Francis is an Anglican Church in the Diocese of Salisbury. The Church building is situated in the northern part of the city, at the junction of Castle Road and Beatrice Road. The PCC registered with the Charity Commission in 2009, registration number 1130133. The applicant is employed by the Church to take forward work with young children and families.
- 6) Summary details about the project: Proposal to redevelop the external part of the re-built hall to allow young people to take part in an outdoor recreational or sporting activity. Two quotes and a breakdown of works have been provided.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding will have to be found elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_022	St Mark's Pre- school	To develop the outdoor space into an outdoor learning experience	£5,000

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £5,000
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: St Mark's Pre-School is a body in membership of the pre-school Learning Alliance, number 23476. The aims of the Pre-School are to enhance the development and education primarily of under statutory school age children
- 6) Summary details about the project: The applicants aim to move into their new premises at the beginning of April, 2013 and this proposal intends that an outdoor space, accessible to all children, including those with disabilities, is developed prior to the children moving in.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding will have to be found elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_027	Salisbury Arts Centre	To support a Salisbury Odyssey programme of 22 workshop sessions teaching young people professional film skills	£5,000

- The Officer asks Members to take into consideration the fact that apart from a small amount of business sponsorship funding, that alongside the Arts Centre themselves, Wiltshire Council would be the main contributor to this project. The Bemerton Heath Centre offering of £1,760 is in kind support. Any offer from the Board would therefore need to take these points and Point 7 below into account.
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: St Edmunds Arts Trust Limited is a Company Limited by Guarantee, company number 1412263 and charity number 1023945. Free reserves are held for securing operating costs.
- 6) Summary details about the project: 22 sessions will be held teaching young people professional film skills to gain a qualification through a series of workshops including scriptwriting and production techniques, to completed film.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the number of workshop sessions will have to be scaled down.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL	Trees for St Marks	Replacement of up to 10 trees in St	£888
12_023	Road Group	Marks Road	

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £888 subject to the provisional £708 being met.
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: The Trees for St Marks Road Group was set up as a small charity with the constitution set up on 20 February, 2012 with 12 members. The purpose of the charity is to 'improve the local environment St Mark's Road by planting more trees. Benefitting the community and helping to meet national CO2 targets.'
- 6) Summary details about the project: A petition to residents in St Marks Road indicated 96% were in favour of more trees. A large number of local residents contributed towards the project. However, the project does currently have a shortfall of £708 which will have to met to realise the project's goal to replace the trees. Wiltshire Council Highways have been contacted for advice about tree planting in St Marks Road and are in agreement that it can proceed using a private contractor who will carry out the works.

7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, the project will not proceed.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_028	Churches Together	To put on an Exhibition of Artwork	£1,000

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £1,000 subject to provisional funds being met
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: Churches Together in Salisbury Constitution is open to churches in Salisbury and the surrounding area, who agree with its basis and aims. The include 'to be a visible sign of the churches' commitment to one another....to enable the churches to respond to the needs of society at all levels.'
- 6) Summary details about the project: The project aims to put on an exhibition in October, 2013 of thirty twentieth century artworks (mainly paintings), by major artists, all on Christian themes but are accessible and relevant to people of all faiths and none.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding will have to be found elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL	Bemerton	Kneaded: A weekly breadmaking	£948
12_029	Methodist Church	community project with lunch	

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £948
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: The Bemerton Methodist Church's Terms of Reference for this project state that Kneaded is a bread making community gathering together around the making and sharing of bread once a week. Sessions will be open to all. Connections have been made with other organisations such as the Alzheimers society, Age UK, carers Support, the Trussell Trust and Alabare.
- 6) Summary details about the project: A bread making and lunch group that offers an inclusive safe space to give attention to the things that are important in the lives of group members.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding would have to be sought elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_035	Harnham Schools Travel Group	To produce a travel leaflet	£750

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £750 subject to provisional funding costs identified in the application being met
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: Harnham Junior and Infants Schools and Puddleducks Playgroup have had an active School Travel group since 2004.
- 6) Summary details about the project: Harnham Schools are planning to update their School Travel Plan (funded by Wiltshire Council) and an officer of the Council informs a travel leaflet will compliment this.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding would have to be sought elsewhere.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
SAL 12_025	Salisbury Blind Choir	To set up a Blind Choir in Salisbury	£890

- 1) The Officer recommends an Award of £890
- 2) The application meets grant criteria 2012/13
- 3) The application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 4) The application meets locally agreed/area board priorities
- 5) Summary details about applicant: The Salisbury Blind Choir has been set up as a Small Charity Constitution whose purpose is to 'provide opportunities for blind, visually impaired people, their families and supporters in the Salisbury area to network and raise awareness of the issues and support available.'
- 6) Summary details about the project: The project seeks set up costs for cover equipment, hire of hall and music director. It currently has 8 members, however, contact with GROW has led to offers of help with publicity and contact with community groups in the wider community, some with specialist interest of blind and/or visually impaired individuals who may be interested in taking part in the group.
- 7) If the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project, funding would have to be sought elsewhere.

## 9. Area Board Projects

Lead Ward Councillor	Project proposal	Funding requested
1) Cllr Chris Cochrane	To set up a lorrywatch scheme	£950

This bid meets Councillor led project criteria in terms of:

- Evidence of community need
- Clear links to 'Our Salisbury' community plan: 'Our Transport '

Lead Ward Councillor	Project proposal	Funding requested
2) Cllr Richard Clewer	To produce recycling cloth bags and distribute these to local schools	£3,875

This bid meets Councillor led project criteria in terms of:

- Evidence of community need
- Clear links to 'Our Salisbury' community plan: 'Our Environment'

Lead Ward Councillor	Project proposal	Funding requested
3) Cllr Richard Clewer	To produce a flyer to raise awareness of Autism	£326

This bid meets Councillor led project criteria in terms of:

- Evidence of community need
- Clear links to 'Our Salisbury' community plan: 'Our Health & well-being'

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Friary Transitions Group. Youth Voices
	Appendix 2 Salisbury Quakers: Green Space Fair
	Appendix 3 Visit Wiltshire Marketing Campaign
	Appendix 4 St Francis Church Youth space
	Appendix 5 St Marks Pre - School Equipment
	Appendix 6 Salisbury Arts Centre: An Odyssey
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	Appendix 11 Salisbury Blind Choir
	Appendix 12 Lorrywatch
	Appendix 13 Plastic Bag Free
	Appendix 14 Autism
	Appendices available on line or on request.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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