



**South West Wiltshire Area Board
Youth Project Funding Application Form 2013/14**

Name of Group: LGBT+Q support Group

Number of young people in group: 3

Name of person applying: **Age:**15

Contact email:

Contact phone number:

Contact address:

1. What do you want the funding for (describe what your project is about)?

I would like to set up a support group for isolated young people that are LGBT+Q that live in the rural area I would like to run a monthly session of 3 hours for one year with the intention that the group will then go on to support itself. I have identified that there are young people who are unable to access this type of support due to lack of transportation and information. I feel a support group would help LGBT+Q young people gain confidence in a safe environment which will have a knock-on effect in other areas of their lives such a school/college. By attending the support group they will also gain access to other youth sessions if wanted. In some cases a support group like this will be a lifeline. I know that the minimum for a group to apply for this funding is 5 however due to the nature of LGBT+Q there are a number of factors as to why young people find it difficult to put themselves forward which is why a support group is necessary.

2. Where will the project take place?

The project will take place using the nearest youth centre both Wilton and Tisbury and Mere are available for use. Which will also have a youth worker there to support us.

3. When will the project take place?

The support group will take place once a month on Wednesday evening.

4. What will be the benefits of the project for the young people involved / the local community (e.g. leading healthier lifestyles / keeping physically healthy, learning new skills, making a positive contribution, access to transport or other services, challenging bullying or discrimination)

The support group will offer a lifeline to young people identifying in rural areas as LGBT+Q. The support group will look at sexual health, confidence building, group work giving confidence to young people and general LGBT+Q advice. I would like to support group to create peer leaders in LGBT+Q that will challenge bullying and discrimination in local schools/colleges/work placements. The peer leaders will be encouraged to attend other youth sessions and share knowledge and understanding. The support group will also offer transport to those that need it to and from sessions.

5. How much funding do you want from the Area Board? (standard grants up to £1000)

£1000

6. List all of the things you need to buy or pay for to run your project (please provide copy of quotes)

fuel and the use of a vehicle.

(please note Wiltshire Council will pay funding to a 'supporter' e.g. youth worker, school, parish council)

7. How will you know your project has been successful?

Is going to be hard to measure of the project is successful as each young person will have varying needs. But if the support group helps any young person from the LGBT+Q community it will be a success. I can monitor the number of young people attending the sessions and what affect joining a support group will have.

8. Any further information

Please contact Steve Harris, Community Area Manager, via email stephen.harris@wiltshire.gov.uk or phone **01722 434211** for more information.

Please email your completed application to the address given above by **8 January 2014**. If you are unable to email you can post to the following address; Wiltshire Council, Bourne Hill, Salisbury, Wiltshire. SP2 2HX.