

**Report to** Salisbury Area Board  
**Date of Meeting** 10 July 2014  
**Subject** Community Area Grants

**Purpose of Report:**

To consider 3 applications for community area grant funding, totalling **£8,009**

A summary of the applications together with the Community Area Manager's observations is set out below.

**Application (and amount requested)**

<b>Salisbury Civic Society</b> Historic Open Days	<b>£275</b> (revenue)
<b>Wyndham Park Infants School</b> Somerset Rd Campus Hub	<b>£4950</b> (capital)
<b>The Rotary Club of Salisbury</b> Rotary Spireworks	<b>£2784</b> (capital)

<b>Total requested:</b>	<b>£8,009</b> (revenue - £275 capital - £7,734)
<b>Prior to consideration of these applications the Area Board's discretionary fund balance stands at:</b>	<b>£ 63,235</b> (revenue - £6,919 capital - £56,316)
<b>If all applications are approved the Board's balance will be:</b>	<b>£55,226</b> (revenue - £6,644 capital - £48,582)



## **1. Background**

- 1.1. Salisbury Area Board has authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to it by the Cabinet Member for Community Services. Under the terms of the delegation Area Boards are required to follow the Community Area Grant guidance and funding criteria.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide advice in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.3. 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.
- 1.4. A decision was made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce the volume of paper used. However, the applications are all available to view on the [Wiltshire Council web site](#) and hard copies can be made available upon request.

## **2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded satisfy the [criteria set by the Council](#) and are made to projects that can proceed within a year of the award being made.

## **3. Environmental & Community Implications**

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

## **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1. Financial provision has been made to cover this expenditure. The Salisbury Area Board was allocated a 2014/2015 of £90,826 (£77,427 capital and £13,399 revenue). Following previous awards, the Area Board grants budget has a balance of £ 63,235 (taking into account £5,000 earmarked to support a tree planting scheme – a project promoted by the Air Quality Management Group).

## **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 an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

## 8. Applications

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8	<b>Salisbury Civic Society</b>	Historic Open Days	£275

- 8.1. The focus of this year's Historic Open Days, which will take place between 11-13 September 2014 inclusive, is on hotels, inns and their historic Chequers (Antelope, Cross Keys and White Hart), using professional City Guides to give residents and visitors a history and appreciation of the buildings and their surrounding streets. There will be eighteen tours in all (two per day over three days in each of the three Chequers).
- 8.2. Historic Open Days are targeted at residents of the Salisbury area and visitors who wish to learn more about the architecture, history and geography of the area. Members of the Civic Society will be informed through the Society's Quarterly magazine and by email. Visitors and other residents will be able to see flyers and posters in prominent places such as the library, TIC and Our Community Matters website, and details of the event will be posted on the Society's own website.
- 8.3. The aim of the event is twofold: to enhance not only understanding of the environment in which residents live but also civic pride and willingness to participate in civic affairs; and to enable visitors to appreciate to the full the attractions that Salisbury can offer.
- 8.4. This application meets the Council's grant criteria and there is revenue funding available.
- 8.5. The total cost of the project is £550 and they are seeking a grant of £275 revenue from the Board.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
9	Wyndham Park Infants School	Somerset Rd Campus Hub	£4950

- 9.1. The Somerset Road Campus Hub project forms phase 3 of a major scheme to develop and extend the schools' integration with the local communities. Phase 3 will see the installation of a Hub Office, designed to provide temporary desk space for a wide number of organisations and individuals who deliver advisory and support services in the community. The Hub Office will include Wi-Fi, desk space and meeting facilities and be available free of charge for agencies and not-for profit organisations. The framework of the Hub Office has been installed and we are seeking funding to wall, insulate and furnish the office.
- 9.2. The three key beneficiary groups of the Campus Hub project will be: the pupil and parent community of around 2000; the wider St Mark's & Bishopdown area community of approximately 4,500 people; and a large body of professionals (Parent Support Adviser, School Nurse, Social Workers, Educational Psychologists and Therapists, Nutritional Therapists, Neighbourhood Police Officers, etc.) and community volunteers who provide support and advice to the school community and the wider public.
- 9.3. Over the course of an academic year many pupils and parents seeks advice and support from Parent Support Advisers, School Nurses and other health, educational and welfare specialists. At present there is no designated space for parents, pupils and professionals to meet privately or for the professionals to work on site and we envisage that the Hub Office will provide a quiet, confidential space for meetings to take place and for liaison and desk work. Our Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) has also indicated a wish to have a drop-in and office base on the Somerset Road Campus in order to carry out desk work and to meet those with queries or complaints or who need advice or support. The Hub Office will be ideally situated in the centre of the NPT beat area and will deliver a convenient location to access desk space and internet access and to meet the public in a neutral environment. During the course of the Scheme's development a number of our neighbouring churches and charities have asked for access to the Hub to deliver their advisory and support services to older and more vulnerable members of the community. The school is also in the process of discussing the use of the Hub as a potential meeting venue for our local MP and Wiltshire and Salisbury City Councillors.
- 9.4. The total cost of the project is £ 9,900 and they are seeking a grant of £4,950 from the Board.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
10	The Rotary Club of Salisbury	Rotary Spireworks	£2784

- 10.1 The Rotary Spireworks Fire Works Display is a popular community-based event based in the Cattle Market serving Salisbury and surrounding communities. The organisers are seeking to purchase essential portable lighting and crowd safety barriers to improve crowd control and safety at the rear of the cattle market. The funding is not for the display or fireworks. The equipment sought will help ensure that the event becomes self-sustaining and viable in the future by providing much needed H&S equipment which otherwise would need to be hired in annually. Local community groups benefit from any potential surplus made by the event. The equipment will also be available for other community events in the area and will be a valuable resource for the community.
- 10.2 This bid form one element of the overall Rotary Spireworks Fireworks Display based at the Salisbury Cattle Market and scheduled for 1st November 2014. The approximate costs of the overall event are estimated to be circa £10,500.
- 10.3 The benefits of this project will be as follows:
- 1) Salisbury residents, Wilton and surrounding community. The community will benefit from increased safety and sustainability at one of the main family-orientated events within the community calendar.
  - 2) Local Businesses. Local businesses will benefit from increased traffic both to and from the event as well as local businesses selling food and other items at the event itself.
  - 3) Local Charities will also benefit from any surplus made which will go to the Salisbury and Wilton Rotary Clubs and earmarked solely to be spent on local charities/community projects.
- 10.4 The total cost of the project is £ 6,684 and they are seeking a capital grant of £2,784 from the Board.

Background papers:	Grant Application – Salisbury Civic Society Grant Application – The Bootleg Theatre Company Grant Application – Wyndham Park Infant School Grant Application – The Rotary Club of Salisbury
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