

Report to	Southern Wiltshire
Date of Meeting	31/07/2014
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Southern Wiltshire Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount
Applicant: Winterslow Parish Council Project Title: Recreation Ground Play Trails	£5000.00
Applicant: Redlynch Playing Field Association Project Title: Sports Club storage for field maintenance and sporting equipment.	£1000.00
Applicant: Winterslow Short Mat Bowls Club Project Title: Replacement shortmat bowls carpet Winterslow SMB Club	£826.00
Applicant: Odstock Parish Council Project Title: Nunton Community Orchard	£2000.00
Applicant: Lover Green Association Project Title: Lover Green equipment	£920.00
Applicant: Landford Village Hall Project Title: Landford Village Hall resurface car park	£4701.00
Total grant amount requested at this meeting	£14,447.00

Total amount allocated so far (Capital)	£15024.50
Total amount allocated so far (Revenue)	£1500.00

Total left if all approved (CAPITAL)	£7863.85
Total REVENUE still available	£5088.59

Area Board funding for 2014/15 (CAPITAL)	£37335.35
Area Board funding for 2014/15 (REVENUE)	£6558.59

2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2014/15 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2014/2015.

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 and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

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.

3. The applications

Applicant: Winterslow Parish Council Project Title: Recreation Ground Play Trails	Amount Requested: £5000.00
<p>This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.</p> <p>What the applicant says:</p> <p>Project Summary: The project is to purchase two wooden play trails for the Recreation Ground in Winterslow. One of the trails will be used by the under 8's and the other trail will be used by the over 8's. The trails will be situated in a wooded area in keeping with the outdoor Recreation theme and allow children to challenge themselves and enjoy more creative play.</p> <p>Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: The children in the village will benefit from the new play trails. The Recreation Ground is limited at present to a few pieces of equipment and a skate-park area which is for older children. A recent village survey highlighted that parents and children wanted more challenging equipment at the Recreation Ground. The Parish Council investigated differing types of equipment and believes that the wood structures will be in keeping with the local area and allow more creative play. There is a village school opposite the ground and many parents and children visit the Recreation Ground after school but feel limited as to the equipment that their children can play on. The wooden trails provide some new and innovative for the area and will be used by all of the children in the village.</p> <p>Input from the Community Area Manager:</p> <p>The total cost of this [project is £16,525 with £11,525 being matched by the Parish Council. This project is something that the community has said that the village needs and it will add to the offer for children and young people.</p>	
Applicant: Redlynch Playing Field Association Project Title: Sports Club storage for field maintenance and sporting equipment.	Amount Requested: £1000.00
<p>This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.</p> <p>What the applicant says:</p>	

Project Summary: The project is to install a secure all metal container to house playing field and play area maintenance equipment. Including some sports equipment. This will require several operations. 1. Removal of old container and disposal (twenty years old and roof has collapsed) 2. Preparation of a suitable and safe ground site to place the container on. 3. Delivery and installation of the container onto prepared site. 4. Modify container with adequate security features for anti-theft including decorating.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: We have a thriving and popular sports and play area in the Village. We have four football teams from Veterans to Youth. All use our facilities and play in regular league events. They also hold regular evening training events. The cricket consists of three teams with a further two youth teams. Both of these teams have female members. Not to forget our Petanque team which plays at a competitive level. They share their court with the small Basketball fraternity. In addition we also have a very popular children's play area well and regularly used by the community. All of these activities depend greatly on the volunteer workers for maintenance. They in turn now require their equipment to be securely and safely stored.

Input from the Community Area Manager:

The total cost of this project is £3725 and matched funding of £2725 will come from the Parish Council and the reserves of the Redlynch Playing Field Association. This project supports the delivery of sports and recreation and enables volunteers to maintain the facilities at the club.

Applicant: Winterslow Short Mat Bowls Club
Project Title: Replacement shortmat bowls carpet
 Winterslow SMB Club

Amount Requested:
 £826.00

This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.

What the applicant says:

Project Summary: funding required to purchase replacement for 25 years old bowls carpet for community sporting facility at the village hall

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: Members of the Club and visiting teams having equipment that complies with regulation for use

Input from the Community Area Manager:

As the amount required is below £1000, no matched funding is required. However the group are saving its reserves to buy a second mat for the club. This project improves the facilities so that people can enjoy recreational activities in the village.

Applicant: Odstock Parish Council
Project Title: Nunton Community Orchard

Amount Requested:
 £2000.00

This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.

What the applicant says:

Project Summary: The Odstock Parish Council sees the establishment of a Community Orchard at Nunton as a means of providing an all-ages, multi-functional recreational area. It will provide an opportunity to bring together the communities of Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham and fulfil a number of key objectives- see attached Aims and Objectives.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: Nunton Community Orchard Aims & Objectives
The Odstock Parish Council sees the establishment of a Community Orchard at Nunton as a means of providing an, all ages, multi-functional, recreational area. It will provide an opportunity to bring together the local communities of Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham and fulfil the following objectives. It will ; Create a peaceful, pleasant place for recreation and relaxation Encourage community involvement in the development and management of the Community Orchard Provide fruit for the local community to enjoy and for the two local pubs and the Women's Institute to use Promote the health benefits of eating fruit and the sustainability of sourcing locally grown produce Provide an educational role for young people and increase their connectivity with nature Increase biodiversity and habitat for wildlife Create an easily accessible recreational area for the adjoining elderly person's home complex (by means of a new access gate Help preserve traditional English fruit varieties especially Wiltshire species of apples Increase the connectivity of the three village's residents by organising fruit picking, apple pressing and other community involvement days The Odstock Parish Council will also encourage the use of the Community Orchard by non-local Groups, Organisations and Schools from outside of the immediate area and encourage, by example, the creation of more community orchards in Wiltshire and the surrounding Counties by liaising with and helping other new community orchard groups.

Input from the Community Area Manager:

The total project cost for this project is £4076.70 with the parish council and funding via donations providing £2076 of matched funding. This project is an exciting opportunity to develop a community orchard with the prospect of sharing the Nunton example to other villages in the area.

Applicant: Lover Green Association
Project Title: Lover Green equipment

Amount Requested:
£920.00

This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.

What the applicant says:

Project Summary: The project is to purchase two gates to give secure access to the pond area on the Green, which is being restored, plus two benches to provide seating.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: All members of the local community will benefit from this project, which is part of the Association's ongoing plans to restore and maintain the Green for local community use. Purchase of the gates is essential if we are to restore the pond area as a habitat for wildlife, so that it is secure and accessible. The benches will provide seating for visitors, which is lacking at present.

Input from the Community Area Manager:

As the amount requested is below £1000, no matched funding is required. This project will improve Green area and provide seating for visitors.

Applicant: Landford Village Hall	Amount Requested:
Project Title: Landford Village Hall resurface car park	£4701.00

This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.

What the applicant says:

Project Summary: The current car park consists of loose scalplings which suffer particularly when wet. Whilst the adjoining primary school is closed for the summer holidays we would like to have a permanent surface applied. The quote we have received is for £9402 inclusive of VAT. We would like to apply for a grant of 50%.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community: Both the users of the Village Hall and the adjacent C of E Primary School are users of this Car Park. It will therefore be a benefit to the whole of the local community.

Input from the Community Area Manager:

The total cost of this project is £9402 and matched funding of £4701 will come from the village hall committee's reserves. This project will significantly improve the access to the village hall and the parking area.

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