

Report to	Southern Wiltshire
Date of Meeting	29/01/2015
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

## 1. Purpose of the report:

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

Application	Grant Amount
<b>Applicant:</b> Whiteparish youth Group	£850.00
<b>Project Title:</b> Skate Ramp Community Art Project	
<b>Total grant amount requested at this meeting</b>	£850
<b>Total amount allocated so far in 2014/15 (if above grant approved)</b>	£5,250
<b>Total Funds Remaining</b>	£6,529.99

## 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 Youth 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 Youth 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 application

Whiteparish Youth Group would like to head up an art project to professionally paint the village skate ramp to deter the explicit pictures which appear on it from time to time and to make it look more aesthetically pleasing. The Youth Group is seeking input from Youth Options to help plan, organise and paint the ramp. It will also open the project out to involve anyone interested from the wider community, including other villages in this cluster.

This project supports local needs by improving the look of the Memorial Ground, which is a public space. The young people at Whiteparish Youth Group have shown a keen interest during discussions to go ahead with this project. They will be fully involved in the planning of the design, the preparations of materials and the final painting of the ramp. This project is expected to involve at least the local children of which 136 at Whiteparish All Saints Primary School plus 62 Youth Group members and any number of other young people from the surrounding area to come and use the ramp and benefit from the completion of this project.

The project will be inclusive and accessible to all as there is full disabled access to the Memorial Centre and Memorial Ground and no one will be excluded on grounds of race, gender, income etc. All project leaders are CRB checked.

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