

Report to	South West Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	13 October 2010
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report

To request that Councillors consider two applications seeking Community Area Grant Funding.

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 Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 1.2. The 2010/11 funding criteria and application forms are available on the Council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report

- Community Area Grant Application Pack 2010/11

2. Application SWW 54-10

Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested	Matched by Applicant
Hindon Allotment and Conservation Association	Provision of sheds	£1,000	£68

- 2.1. The full application is attached
 - 2.2. The application meets grant criteria 2010/11:
 - 2.3. The application demonstrates links to the Community Plan
 - 2.4. The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities
 - 2.5. Summary details about the applicant:
Hindon Allotments and Conservation Association is a stand-alone organisation
 - 2.6. Summary details about the project:
Purchase four sheds located at the allotment site in Hindon
 - 2.7. What will happen if the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project
3. *It would develop more slowly.*

Application SWW 55-10

Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested	Matched by Applicant
Wilton Community Centre	Photovoltaic Panels	£5,000	£15,645

- 3.1. The full application is attached
- 3.2. The application does not meet grant criteria 2010/11:
The project has started and has been completed

Only one quote was tendered (three quotes are required for a project valued at more than £5,000).
- 3.3. The application demonstrates links to the Community Plan
- 3.4. The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities
- 3.5. Summary details about the applicant:
Wilton Community Centre is run by a Trust the purposes of which is to manage a community centre for the use of the inhabitants of Wilton
- 3.6. Summary details about the project:
To install a renewable energy system at Wilton Community Centre by using solar photo voltaic (pv) panels on the roof.
- 3.7. What will happen if the Area Board makes a decision not to fund the project
They would be able to fund it at a stretch but this would jeopardize any future projects and their reserves. Without the grant they may have to postpone the refurbishment of the toilets.
- 3.8. Important information:
This application, although date May 2010, was in fact received in August. The Wiltshire Council Climate Change Officer was asked to discuss options for assistance with the applicant but found that the project had already been completed. Therefore, it failed to meet the criteria.

However, the applicant is adamant that an application was submitted in May. No Wiltshire Council officer or member can recall such a submission. There is no record of its receipt and no acknowledgement was given. Neither can the applicant furnish any such receipt.

4. Financial Implications

4.1. If the grants are awarded in line with applications, the Area Board will retain a discretionary funds balance of **£96,911**:

- **£30,663** for the Mere Community Area
- **£25,724** for the Tisbury Community Area
- **£40,524** for the Wilton Community Area

Appendices	Appendix 1 Hindon Allotment and Conservation Association Appendix 2 Wilton Community Centre
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