

Report to	Malmesbury
Date of Meeting	09/09/2015
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

## 1. Purpose of the report:

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

Application	Grant Amount	
<b>Applicant:</b> Dauntsey Vale Link Scheme <b>Project Title:</b> Dauntsey Vale Link Scheme New Computer	£250.00	
<b>Applicant:</b> Dauntsey Croquet Club <b>Project Title:</b> Dauntsey Croquet Club - Garden Croquet Set	£500.00	
<b>Total grant amount requested at this meeting</b>	£750	
<b>Total amount allocated so far</b>	£33079.869999999995	

## 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

<p><b>Applicant:</b> Dauntsey Vale Link Scheme  <b>Project Title:</b> Dauntsey Vale Link Scheme          New Computer</p>	<p>Amount Requested from Area Board:          £250.00</p>	
<p>This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b>We need to replace our creaking paper system of maintaining a register of volunteers and clients and recording tasking with a computer system which will allow us to more efficiently use our new team of co-ordinators who need to pass records between them when they change over and who need to report to the treasurer as well as the reports we need to send to Community First. Year on year the tasks from clients has risen. The new co-ordinator system and a computer will give extra capacity and greatly benefit clients by producing a more responsive accurate efficient and effective operation.</p> <p><b>Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:</b> Villagers from Brinkworth Dauntsey Christian Malford and Foxham who are in need of help because of poor access to public transport and who cannot attend social recreational and professional events and venues and who consequently suffer from social isolation. Villagers who are assisted by Dauntsey Vale Link Scheme volunteers driving them to venues and or befriending them gain from increased social contact increased activity levels access to cultural and art events and access to caring professions.</p>		
<p><b>Applicant:</b> Dauntsey Croquet Club  <b>Project Title:</b> Dauntsey Croquet Club - Garden Croquet Set</p>	<p>Amount Requested from Area Board:          £500.00</p>	
<p>This application meets grant criteria 2014/15.</p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b>Dauntsey Croquet Club was formed In July of this year and already has over 20 enthusiastic members. It has joined the National Croquet Association and shares the same facilities as the Dauntsey based Peterborough Arms Cricket Club. Via internal funding and donations it has already funded 2 Croquet Sets but in order to play competitively and keep all members engaged it requires a third set</p> <p><b>Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:</b> The Croquet Club was formed in July this year by a group of enthusiastic local members of the village community some of which were already members of the Peterborough Arms</p>		

Cricket Club which is already based in the village at St Johns Farm. The Croquet Club has joined the Cricket Club at St Johns and has already attracted over 20 enthusiastic members. The cricket club has become an essential part of village life in Dauntsey and the Croquet Club will further enhance this by attracting more villagers from a diverse background to participate in a new sporting activity further improving the integration of the village community. In addition all home matches including social matches are well advertised and non playing villagers are encouraged to visit the ground and relax for a while. Any award that is granted will help to purchase the additional Croquet Set that is required to ensure all members can participate in matches therefore underwriting the membership and future of the Club. Following recent expansion of the village the need to maintain recreational facilities remains a high priority and the continued existence of both the croquet and cricket clubs is very desirable and as both are now strongly linked they go hand in hand . The Dauntsey Parish Plan has identified the need to improve the Recreation Ground in the village. The Croquet and Cricket Clubs are seen as an extension of these facilities providing a more structured and educational opportunity for the youth of the area