

Report to	Corsham Area Board
Date of Meeting	19 October 2010
Title of Report	Community Area Grants

Purpose of Report

To ask Councillors to consider 1 application seeking 2010/11 Community Area Grant Funding

1. Corsham Community Area Neighbourhood Watch Group (CCANNW) – Award £1,000 to provide visible Neighbourhood watch signs to all new registered schemes within the area.

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. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.5. Corsham Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £43,772 for community grants, community partnership core funding and councillor led initiatives. The carry forward from the 2009/2010 budget is £4332.00 this equates to a total budget of £48,104 for the 2010/2011.
- 1.6. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.7. The 2010/2011 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Area Grant Application Pack 2010/11• Corsham Community Area Plan
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2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 2 further rounds of funding during 2010/11. The remaining will take place on;
 - 30 November 2010
 - 1 February 2011

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

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Corsham Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations, Corsham Area Board will have a balance of £26,134.43

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. 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.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer Recommendations”.

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1	Corsham Community Area Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	To provide visible neighbourhood watch signs to all new registered schemes within the area.	£1,000

8.1.1. Corsham Community Area Neighbourhood Watch Scheme – To award £1,000 to provide visible neighbourhood watch signs within the area.

8.1.2. This application meets the grant criteria for 2010/11.

8.1.3. This application demonstrates a link to the Corsham Area Community Plan "Reducing crime and reducing the fear of crime"

8.1.4. Corsham Community Area Neighbourhood Watch Scheme are a new group in the area and is a not for profit organisation.

8.1.5. This project has the support of Wiltshire Police, Wiltshire Anti Social Behaviour Officer and the MoD Police.

8.1.6. A decision not to fund this project will probably result in it not happening owing to limited funding opportunities.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Grant application – Corsham Community Area Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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