Report to Area Board – Locality Youth Network Update

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**Purpose of the Report**

To inform the community about the role of the Local Youth Network, (LYN) update the community about the work of the Local Youth Network (and to ask Councillors to consider the following grant and procurement applications.)

**Recommendation**

Members are asked to

1. Note progress to date
2. Decide on funding applications as laid out.

**Royal Wootton Bassett & Lyneham LYN**

This has been operational since October 2014. Questionnaires have been sent out, a wider LYN event has been held and the evidence gathered has being analysed.

Greensquare Housing Assoc have since committed to some financial support for the two RWB projects.

The Monday After school cafe is promoting in RWBA to a new younger group and the Friday youth group continues to have attendances of 40+.

The Wednesday Lyneham group has been well attended over the summer and is due to move indoors over the winter.

The summer art project was successful and produced a useable artistic bench for the community.

Cllrs Allison Bucknell & Mary Champion sit on this LYN
Cricklade LYN

Questionnaires highlighted numerous projects including an after school cafe session. There were two meetings held in May to discuss the way forward. Short projects for gym and sportshall use, and a youth cafe were highlighted. The youth cafe idea has been piloted by the local Barista cafe throughout the summer term and the holidays, the Leisure centre has started a youth gym session and the other projects are being piloted in the near future.

Purton are forming their own youth council to start in October, and this will link into the wider LYN and have the opportunity to submit bids for funding. It is hoped that a community cafe project will provide an after school session for young people.

General Update

The questionnaire and needs assessment for the area is complete with 623 young people taking part.

In all areas, there is a demand for sport, social time, art, parkour and self defence.

There were skate events in Cricklade, Purton and RWB during the summer.

We have been working with other agencies and young people in RWB around the rise in Anti social behaviour and drug use. This includes an input from Motiv8

Youth Provision Update

An analysis has been done of provision by existing organisations in the area. This can be found on www.sparksite.co.uk/

Funding for activities that satisfy the needs identified within our area can be via grant or procurement. We will only fund NEW activities that have some form of additional funding or contributions from other bodies, volunteer time, free premises etc.

Activities provided through the Area Board

See Appendix B for current provision

New Request – 1 grant bid

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Cricklade Sunday Sport and Social  £750  Grant  15 – 40 YP aged 13 - 19

Details of the requests can be found in Appendix C

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Appendix A – Positive Activities Overview

**Background**

In 2014, Wiltshire Council changed the way it delivers youth development and devolved a budget to Area Boards to enable the localised provision of positive activities. Each community area should have one or more Locality Youth Networks (LYN) who oversee the provision of these activities.

**What are Positive Activities?**

A positive activity can be any educational or recreational leisure-time activity which helps young people to achieve healthy and safe lifestyle outcomes.

Positive activities are for young people aged 13-19 (up to 25 years of age for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities) and may include activities and support which:

- Helps young people connect with their communities, enabling them to belong and contribute to society e.g. through volunteering
- Provides opportunities for young people to take part in a range of sports, arts, music and other activities where they can socialise safely with their peers and develop relationships, including with adults they can trust
- Encourage young people’s personal and social development
- Improve young people’s physical and mental health and emotional well-being
- Help young people to achieve in education, work or training
- Prevent and divert young people away from risky behaviours e.g. teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and involvement in crime and anti-social behaviour

**What is a Locality Youth Network?**

A Locality Youth Network (LYN) is a sub group of the Community Area Board. It represents a wide range of community stakeholders who work in partnership to facilitate a range of positive activities across the community area. Young people play a central role in all aspects of the LYN. Locality Youth Networks identify local needs, priorities and outcomes and make evidence based recommendations to the Area Board on how funding for positive activities for young people should be deployed.

The Area Board holds the budget and Area Board members make the final decision on whether or not to grant funding.

The Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board has two LYNs

- Royal Wootton Bassett & Lyneham
- Cricklade & Purton
## Appendix B – Activities funded through Area Board

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