

Report to	Corsham Area Board
Date of Meeting	25/05/2017
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Box Bowls Club Project Title: Box Bowls Club Equipment Storage facility View full application	£500.00
Applicant: Pickwick Association Project Title: Prettying of Pickwick View full application	£445.00

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the [Area Board Grants Guidance](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Grant Funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

5. Legal Implications

There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. Human Resources Implications

There are no specific human resources implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

8. Safeguarding Implications

The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2372	Box Bowls Club	Box Bowls Club Equipment Storage facility	£500.00

Project Description:

Box Bowls Club operate from the Box Recreation area within the village of Box. The Club is provided with a 6 Rink outdoor lawn bowls area which is owned by Box Council. The club is affiliated to Bowls Wiltshire and Bowls England and is open from April - September each year. The club was formed in 1968 and unified into a mixed club in 2003. Members bowl at County and National level with plenty of club and social bowling. The Box Bowls Club membership comprises male and female sports enthusiasts with an age range spanning 14 to 92 years of age. The membership is drawn from a wide geographic area including Melksham Chippenham Colerne Atworth and Corsham. Box Bowls Club actively supports the Box Community providing considerable input to Box Revels and promoting the sport with the local population. The Box Bowls equipment score boards mats etc are currently housed in a wooden shed which was erected in 1993. The pre-season inspection of the equipment shed revealed that the shed presents a health and safety hazard and is no longer fit for purpose. In order to maintain the close relationship with the local community promoting the benefits of active participation in sport Box Bowls Club require an appropriate store that will enable the members to utilise the appropriate Bowls equipment that will enable them to fully exploit the benefits of Lawn Bowls

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

- A supporting letter from the applicant is attached at the end of this report

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The application meets the grants criteria and can be considered for approval 			
Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2428	Pickwick Association	Prettying of Pickwick	£445.00
<p>Project Description: The primary aim of this project is to enhance the appearance of the village of Pickwick by in the first year installing hanging baskets on nominated lampposts along the A4. Plus taking over the maintenance of grass verges along the A4 under a Section 96 agreement with Wiltshire Council. This will enable us to enter the Its Your Neighbourhood section of the Britain in Bloom competition which Corsham Town Council also enters. A secondary objective to to bring together the village as a number of residents will be involved in this project as volunteers maintaining the verges and watering the plant displays on the lampposts. A third hoped for objective is that this will help reduce the speed of motorists. We currently have an 85th percentile of traffic travelling at in excess of 34 mph in a 30 mph zone.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This application supports the core purpose of the area board which is to support the community to do more for themselves The Wiltshire Council highways officer is supportive of this project The funding is conditional on the section 96 being agreed which the Town Council are supporting This application meets the criteria and can be considered for approval 			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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ONE MINUTE BRIEF – Box Bowls Club – Request for Corsham CAB financial support

Purpose:

Provide the Box Bowls Club, Box Parish Council and the Corsham Community Area Board (CAB) with the background to the Box Bowls Club replacement storage area Business Case

The request for financial support from Box Bowls Club to the Corsham CAB is to seek £500.00 funding in order to acquire a replacement equipment storage area.

The request for Corsham CAB funding has been submitted in accordance with the current Wiltshire Council procedures and will be presented to the Corsham CAB scheduled for 25 May 2017.

The purpose of the Storage area is to secure Box Bowls Club sports equipment ('Pushers', Mats, Jacks etc).

The location of the storage area is within the perimeter of Box Bowls Club and will be adjacent to the existing hedge.

The current wooden 'ShipLap' Pent Shed was acquired in 1995 and the wood structure is badly decayed. A recent Health and Safety risk assessment has categorized the shed as medium/high risk with a recommendation that the secure storage area be replaced as soon as possible.

Box Bowls Club have insufficient funding to replace the Storage Facility and are seeking funding support from the Corsham CAB in order to acquire the replacement equipment storage area.

Scope of the brief:

Analysis of the following:

- Define the capability gap.
- Determine the Requirement
- Analysis of the options.
- Provide an indication of the replacement acquisition and installation costs

Context:

Located in the beautiful village of Box with spectacular views across the Bybrook valley, the Box Bowling Green is a lovely location that rarely fails to impress. Box Bowls Club is a 6 Rink outdoor lawn green bowls club, affiliated to Bowls Wiltshire and Bowls England and is open from April to September each year.

The club was formed in 1968 and unified into a mixed club in 2003. The membership spans an age range from 19 to 95 years and the catchment area extends throughout North/West Wiltshire. The Club enjoy the benefits of sharing the Box Parish Pavilion

with other Box Community project and clubs. Box Bowls Club attracts approximately 250 members of visiting teams annually and is an example of best practice in showcasing the North Wiltshire area and promoting local tourism. All refreshments for visiting teams are sourced from the local area providing material benefits to the local community.

Capability Gap:

The current Storage area is 22 years old and is approaching the end of its useful life. A recent risk assessment has categorized the shed as follows:

- Pent roof rotted through at rear of shed.
- Floor bearers rotted.
- Rear floor area rotted.
- Supporting framework unstable.

Benefits:

- Security of Box Bowls Club assets.
- Improved Health and Safety for Box Bowls Club members and visiting Bowls Club members.
- Maintain the aesthetics of the Box Bowls location.

Requirement:

Box Bowls Club Require a storage area capable of securing the club owned Bowling equipment.

The Equipment storage area shall be acquired and erected in accordance with the following Requirements Set:

- Confined to an area of 7ft x 9ft – restricted by the surrounding hedge.
- Minimum building size:
 - 5ft x 8ft
- Shiplack construction with timber originating from sustainable sources.
- Pent style roof covered and protected by appropriate polyester mineral felt.
- All weathered surfaces to be treated with appropriate preservative.
- Single Secure access door opening away from the bowls green.
- No windows in order to ensure security access control.
- Supported by appropriate 'Floor Bearers' in accordance with the current best practice.

Options

- **Do Nothing** – the structure represents a Health and Safety Risk that must be mitigated in order to ensure that members of the public are protected in accordance with legislation

- **Do Minimum:**

- Reseal and recover the 'Felt' roof in order to improve and align with current legislation – new felt roof was installed Apr 2107.
- Replace rotted 'Floor Bearers' in order to improve the structural integrity of the shed – the rear 'Floor Bearers' were replace Apr 2017, however the replacement activity placed additional stress on the 22 year old shed and the overall structural integrity has been significantly degraded.
- Re-treat the storage area with wood preserve in order to extend the life of the shed and improve the aesthetics of the area – the shed was repainted Apr 2017.

- **Do Optimum:**

- Replace the 22 year old shed in order to mitigate the Health and Safety risk and improve the security of the Box Bowls Club equipment.

Costs:

- Timber Garden Buildings – Leekes, Beanacre Road Melksham - £687.00
- Malvern Garden Buildings – Whitehall Garden Centre Lacock - £620.00
- Timbertack – Intercity Industrial Estate Melksham - £550.00

Recommendations

- Make good the current storage area in order to mitigate the immediate Health and Safety Risk – this activity has been delivered as a component of the Green Management Committees work.
- Seek funding of £500.00 from Corsham CAB in order to acquire the services of Timbertack to install and commission a new Storage are in accordance with the Health and Safety Risk assessment.
- Seek support from Box PC in order to comply with the current leasehold tenancy agreement.
- Approach Box Bowls Management Committee in order to seek additional funding to address any shortfall in the Corsham CAB financial approval.