

Report To	Marlborough Area Board
Date of Meeting	Tuesday, 14 June 2022
Title of Report	Marlborough Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Marlborough Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young person's grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through subgroups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For <u>2022-23</u>	£ 15,835.00	£ 17,786.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 0.00	£ 0.00	£ 0.00
Current Balance	£ 15,835.00	£ 17,786.00	£ 7,700.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 11,716.19	£ 17,786.00	£ 7,000.00

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG662	Community Area Grant	Marlborough Bowls Club	Marlborough Bowling Club - New flooring	£5100.00	£2000.00

Project Summary:

To provide a new floor to the club room. The old floor is becoming loose and curling up at edges creating a trip hazard.

ABG688	Community Area Grant	Friends of the Victorian Cemetery	Friends of the Victorian Cemetery - New Storage Shed Gardening Equipment and Notice Board	£4237.62	£2118.81
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Project Summary:

The Friends of the Victorian Cemetery are now in their 8th year, a small mostly retired group, who meet at least once a month to tend the graveyard, plant bulbs and seeds and carry out gardening work to the best of their abilities. Currently our volunteers are having to load their own wheelbarrows, gardening tools, strimmer's etc. into their cars as they are not able to store anything at the cemetery. The average age of the volunteers is 70+ and it is proving more and more difficult to get the equipment required to the cemetery. With a shed and funding for gardening equipment, tools and publicity about the group, it would allow more volunteers to join, and be an environment that offers both companionship and an opportunity to care for a beautiful, wild and historic location.

ABG690	Health and Wellbeing Grant	Friends of the Victorian Cemetery	Friends of the Victorian Cemetery New Website Publication of Flyers and Social Media presence	£700.00	£700.00
<p>Project Summary: The Friends of the Victorian Cemetery are a volunteer group that meet once a month in the Victorian cemetery, to care for the grounds and do general gardening and planting. This has become an event that the volunteers look forward to as many live on their own and do not have access to a garden. The majority of volunteers are elderly and enjoy the companionship and the opportunity to be outside in a serene and peaceful environment, as well as having a sense of purpose. The group welcomes all, no matter their age and tasks given to suit their abilities and frailties. We are hoping that with the creation of a website, publicity in social media and printing flyers we will be able to attract new volunteers to join this friendly group that will provide both friendship and a mutual purpose of maintaining the beauty of the Victorian cemetery.</p>					

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- ◆ Community Area Grants (capital)
- ◆ Young People (revenue)
- ◆ Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young person's funding guidelines have been adhered to.

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

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by subgroups of the Area Boards.

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

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

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.

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

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