

Southern Wiltshire Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide details of the grant applications made to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. These could include:
 - community area grants
 - youth grants
 - older and vulnerable people grants
 - area board initiatives
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Youth Grants	Older and Vulnerable People Grants
Opening Balance For 2023/24	£ 22,642.00	£ 19,321.00	£ 7,700.00
Awarded To Date	£ 15,988.66	£ 3,500.00	£ 3,000.00
Current Balance	£ 6,653.34	£ 15,821.00	£ 5,700.00
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	£ 6,653.34	£ 8,946.00	£ -393.65

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG1011	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	Wiltshire Music Centre	Celebrating Age Wiltshire	£10455.00	£1500.00
Project Summary: Celebrating Age Wiltshire (CAW) will use arts & heritage activities to reach the most isolated older people in the Southern Wiltshire area, helping to tackle loneliness and aiming to improve their health and wellbeing through creative and artistic engagement. In particular CAW will target those people who are vulnerable and socially isolated due to frailty, ill health, dementia, poor mobility or caring responsibilities. Our programme has developed four different strands of both live and online activity to meet the needs of this group. CAW is a partnership of community organisations across the county with Wiltshire Music Centre as lead organisation.					
ABG1281	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	The Bournen Valley Day Centre for the Elderly	Support for the Bourne Valley Day Centre for the Elderly	£7187.30	£3593.65

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<p>Project Summary: We are looking for assistance with the running costs of the club. Mainly with the salary for the Organiser and assistance with the rent.</p>					
ABG1293	Older and Vulnerable Adults Funding	silver salisbury group	Community Outreach in Laverstock Ford Longhedge and Old Sarum	£2000.00	£1000.00
<p>Project Summary: Community outreach in Laverstock ,Ford, Longhedge and Old Sarum to distribute the new directory of activities in Salisbury and its surrounds and the Festive Fortnight programme in celebration of international Older People's Day 1st October. To encourage older people to book and attend, or visit ongoing group and post programme to run focus groups to get feedback, identify gaps, motivate and encourage local groups and activities and individual involvement.</p>					
ABG1214	Youth Grant	The Bridge Youth Project	New Youth Wellbeing Course Delivery	£10100.00	£2500.00
<p>Project Summary: Young people are experiencing increasing levels of anxiety and often don't have sufficient support networks to support them through the critical time of adolescence. Schools tell us that they struggle to meet the increasing demands on student wellbeing. There simply isn't sufficient funding or capacity and ultimately their primary role is educative. Schools therefore look to charities such as ours to enrich learning and to increase the level of support available to young people. From September 2024 we will have youth workers in 4/5 local secondary schools for two days a week, every week of the academic year. Students and pastoral staff have informed us that there is an opportunity to work with small groups of students to build resilience and confidence. We plan to do this by delivering a new 10 week course which explores 10 themes built on spirituality and positive psychology and give 11-17 year-olds the opportunity to explore different ideas around happiness and the art of living life well. These 10 themes (including physical health, relationships, gratitude, forgiveness, being present etc...) have been identified by educational psychologists as critical to creating a sustainable baseline for wellbeing. Moreover, our unique approach means that this is more than another course, our workers continue to be present in the school all year around, weaving the themes into one-to-one follow up sessions, assemblies, curriculum and signposting young people to additional support. We plan to deliver the course in each of our schools 2/3 times a year with groups of 10/15 young people in each. Students will be referred to us by the schools (with waiting lists already in place in most settings), young people selected for the course are those beginning to demonstrate traits of low self-esteem, anxiety and stress. The course will build knowledge and practical skills around 10 key areas that will lead to a more resilient, confident and happy life therefore stepping in early enough to reduce the pressure on services later down the line. Additionally our work enables local community members to be trained to deliver the course alongside our workers therefore increasing opportunities for volunteering in safe and impactful capacity around school communities. The total cost of the project for year one is £10,100. This grant (£2.5k) would enable the purchase of course materials as well as some of our teams time to deliver the project in SW area schools (Trafalgar and Wyvern St.Edmunds) as part of the larger project which will benefit 120-180 young people over the first year and a handful of volunteers. The remaining amount will be made up with an additional application to the Salisbury Area Board (with a focus on Sarum Academy and Soul Wilts Grammar schools), in volunteer time (reducing the cost of staff time) and an additional grant. After the first year we will look to financially sustain the course through additional grant income.</p>					
ABG1270	Youth Grant	Winterslow Youth Zone	Youth club grant	£1500.00	£500.00

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Project Summary: We are providing positive activities for local children age 10-16 and addition have 4-5 young leaders of 14 years and above who we support which is aiding them in their personal growth and development.					
ABG1303	Youth Grant	Laverstock and Ford Parish Council	Bishopdown Farm Youth Club	£7750.00	£3875.00
Project Summary: Laverstock and Ford Parish Council have been in discussion with Community First and Salisbury City Council about setting up a Youth Club in Bishopdown Farm. There has been no regular Youth Club in Bishopdown Farm for some years, and the area has been suffering from spates of anti social behaviour and vandalism. Pop up events run by Community First at Hampton Park Pavilion have been well received and well attended. Laverstock and Ford Parish Council have approached the Communities Team at Salisbury City Council to provide a regular weekly term time youth club at Hampton Park Pavilion, with support from Community First.					

Background

3. 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.
4. 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)
 - Youth Grants (revenue)
 - Older and Vulnerable People Grants (revenue)
5. The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

Main Considerations

6. 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 persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.
7. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
8. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

Safeguarding Implications

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

Public Health Implications

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

Environmental & Climate Change Implications

11. 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.

Financial Implications

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

Legal Implications

13. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

Workforce Implications

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

Equalities Implications

15. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.
16. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes where they meet the funding criteria.

Proposals

17. To consider and determine the applications for grant funding.

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