

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Devizes Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2009</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Community Area Grants</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To ask Councillors to consider 5 applications seeking 2009/10 Community Area Grant Funding

1. West Lavington Youth Club – Healthy Eating Project - £745 requested,  
**Recommended for approval.**
2. Spye Park Cricket Club – Equipment to improve playing facilities - £995 requested,  
**Recommended for approval**
3. Arts Together – recruitment and training of volunteers - £930 requested,  
**Recommended for approval**
4. Devizes Development Partnership – Workshops for Christmas Festival – £3,000 requested, **Recommended for approval**
5. Devizes Hospital and Community Radio – Purchase of portakabin - £5,000 requested, **Recommended for approval**

## **1. Background**

- 1.1 A single and simple application process was accepted by the Implementation Executive on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2009 for use during 2009/10. Appendix 1 contains the Community Area Grants Pack, which has been developed and includes details of the grants process and criteria.
- 1.2 Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to the Area Boards by the Leader of the Council (13<sup>th</sup> May 2009). Under the terms of that delegation Area Boards must operate within the policies set by the Leader and /or the Council. The Council has adopted an Area Grants policy, with funding criteria, to which the Area Boards must adhere.
- 1.3 In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that was contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.4 In 2009/10 the Devizes Area Board has been allocated a budget of £43,588. After the deduction of core funding for the Community Area Partnership a total of £31,965 remains to distribute through Community Area Grants.

<b>Background documents used in the preparation of this Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Area Grant Application Pack 2009/10</li><li>• Devizes Community Area Plan</li></ul>
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## **2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2009/10 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010.
- 2.2 Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting until 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010. There will be 4 rounds of funding during 2009/10. The first is contained in this report the remaining will take place on
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2009
  - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2010
  - 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010

Deadline for applications will be six weeks prior to each Area Board meeting

## **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 Devizes Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations the Devizes Area Board will have a balance of £21,295 in its budget for 2009/10

#### **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 – “Project Proposals”.

#### **8. Project Proposals**

The full applications are attached (Appendix 2)

Applicant 1	Project proposal	Funding requested
West Lavington Youth Club	Healthy Eating project - Healthier children and young people, able to cook and enjoy eating nutritious food. About 60-80 children aged 7-17 will benefit, and so will their families. The children and young people will also improve their social skills by sitting down together for a two course meal once a month, after laying the table properly. They will clear away and wash up afterwards. They will have instruction on basic food hygiene. They will learn to use recipes and	£745

	plan healthy meals.	
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8.1.1 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10

8.1.2 The application directly links to the Devizes Community Area Plan (encouraging the work of youth organisations)

8.1.3 The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities

8.1.4 It is recommended that the grant of £745 to West Lavington Youth Club is approved

Applicant 2	Project proposal	Funding requested
Spye Park Cricket Club	Improved paying facilities will be better for our junior section to play. We currently have around 30 juniors from the local area who train on a weekly basis. Improving the playing area will mean that more games can be played. The cover applied for will mean that less games will be cancelled due to adverse weather. The Scarifier will improve the playing surface meaning that the recovery time between reusing pitches will be reduced.	£995

8.2.1 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10

8.2.2 The application directly links to the Devizes Community Area Plan (promoting sports facilities in villages)

8.2.3 The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities

8.2.4 It is recommended that the grant of £995 to Spye Park Cricket Club is approved

Applicant 3	Project proposal	Funding requested
Arts Together	<b>Phoenix Devizes.</b> The project aims to recruit train and induct a small team of up to 5 volunteers from the local community to raise awareness of the work of Arts Together and to raise local support to increase our sustainability and reduce dependence on grants	£930

8.3.1 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10

8.3.2 The application directly links to the Devizes Community Area Plan (in particular the Health and Social Care section)

8.3.3 The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities

8.3.4 It is recommended that the grant of £930 to Arts Together be approved

Applicant 4	Project proposal	Funding requested
Devizes Development Partnership	To organise a Xmas Festival for the people of Devizes and district with a community-based lantern parade as its core feature. Lanterns will be made in socially inclusive, community workshops set up in schools, youth clubs, care homes and open sessions for families and other interested community groups. Entertainment in the form of live music and street performers will accompany the parade.	£3,000  £5,075 match funding secured

8.4.1 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10

8.4.2 The application directly links to the Devizes Community Area Plan (supporting events such as Christmas Lights and Christmas Fair)

8.4.3 The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities

8.4.4 It is recommended that the grant of £3,000 to Devizes Development Partnership be approved.

Applicant 5	Project proposal	Funding requested
Devizes Hospital and Community Radio	Following the termination of the lease for the present studio, to purchase, and site a portakabin on Devizes School campus.	£5,000 £12,942 match funding secured

8.5.1 The application meets the grant criteria 2009/10

8.5.2 The application directly links to the Devizes Community Area Plan (improving youth participation)

8.5.3 The application meets Wiltshire Council priorities

8.5.4 It is recommended that the grant of £5,000 to Devizes Hospital and Community Radio is approved

<b>Appendices:</b>	<b>Appendix 1 Community Area Grant Criteria</b> <b>Appendix 2 West Lavington Youth Club Grant Application</b> <b>Appendix 3 Spye Park Cricket Club Grant Application</b> <b>Appendix 4 Arts Together Grant Application</b> <b>Appendix 5 Devizes Development Partnership Grant Application</b> <b>Appendix 6 Devizes Hospital and Community Radio Grant Application</b>
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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