

Report to Marlborough Area Board
Date of meeting 14 March 2017
Title of report Youth Grant Funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider the applications for funding and procurement listed below together with the recommendations of the Local Youth Network (LYN) Management Group.

Grant Applications

Applicant	Amount requested	LYN Management Group recommendation
Greatwood Charity	£722.80	Recommended
Action for River Kennet	£3480.00	Recommended

Procurement

PAYP Provider	Amount requested	Lyn Management Group recommendation
To be confirmed	£13,760.22	Recommend all remaining funds to be allocated to this project

1. Background

The recommendation from the LYN Management Group has been made in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Leaders guidance for Community Area Boards on Positive Activities for Young People
- Positive Activities for Young People local Youth Network Terms of Reference
- Positive Activities Toolkit for Community Area Boards
- Procurement Policies and Guidelines <http://thewire.wiltshire.council/index/service-areas-carolyn-godfrey/business-services-procurement/procurement-policies-and-guidance.htm>

Young people have considered this application and identified it as a priority for Area Board funding.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that Youth Grant Funding awarded in the 2015/2016 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors will need to decide and be assured that young people and the community will benefit from the funding being awarded and the project/positive activity proceeding. The application should meet the identified needs, priorities and outcomes for young people in the areas, as identified in the LYN Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to ensure measures have been taken in relation to safeguarding children and young people.
- 2.4. Councillors will need to ensure that young people have been central to each stage of this Youth Grant Funding application.

2.5. Councillors will need to be satisfied that procurement policies and guidelines have been adhered to.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Youth 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

Ensuring that Community Area Boards and LYNs fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in designing local positive activities for young people is essential to meeting the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty.

8. Safeguarding Implications

8.1 The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children and young people. The Locality Youth Facilitator has assessed this application agreed it meets safeguarding requirements.

8.2 Wiltshire Council has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place; through its' procurement process, to safeguard children and young people. However, the Area Board needs to be satisfied that the providers being procured have everything necessary in place. The Locality Youth Facilitator has assessed this and agreed providers meet safeguarding requirements.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
Greatwood charity	Greatwood	CPD	£722.80
<p>Project description</p> <p>Greatwood delivers education to circa. 120 young people per academic year and offers a variety of unique resources to both mainstream and specialist schools as well as to parents and carers exclusion and reintegration multi-agency teams the LAC Service looked after children and local authorities to meet the needs of vulnerable and at risk young people in the community. Being able to offer a variety of inclusively diverse programmes has helped to enable those that have previously attended one of our courses the opportunity to sustain their educational development at Greatwood.</p> <p>Their application is for continued professional development courses for their staff so they can continue to meet the needs of the young people attending and offer further opportunities. Further information is in their application.</p>			

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group

Recommended with the condition that individuals trained abide by the Greatwood policy to return training costs if they leave the organization within 12 months in order to retain skills in the organisation for the benefit of young people.

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
	Action for River Kennet	Stonebridge meadow project	£3480
<p>Project description ARK will work with young people from across Marlborough. The project comprises various elements. Element 1: Working with young people practically on Stonebridge planting and doing conservation work. This will comprise of 2 full days which may be split down further dependent on availability of young people. Element 2: Working with the same young people and additional young people through the youth club networks and at individual meetings to design and work on a fold out guide for young people to enable more young people to utilise the space formally and informally. This group will work with a professional designer to make sure the guide works and is accessible. They recognise the need for more information for young people to increase their use of the nature trail and create more activities within nature that don't require specific activities. This has come from a focus group of young people involved in designing the project. This element also includes providing Perspex casings for the fold out guides to be displayed at Stonebridge for casual use. Element 3: A 'Welcome to Stonebridge' celebration day where families and young people can come together on Stonebridge for a picnic, with activities.</p>			
<p>Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group Recommended</p>			

Procurement purchase ID	Provider	Project Proposal	Requested
Procurement purchase ID number	To be confirmed	Rural youth activities	£13'760.22
<p>Provider (details of the PAYP provider)</p> <p>Positive activity description The local youth network are investigating models of provision in the rural areas of Marlborough. There is a current procurement request in circulation with a number of providers to deliver activities in multiple villages in the community area. The local youth network would like the time to consider quotations that come back as well as consider the wider strategy in lieu of the JSA event. The LYN are committed to providing positive activities for young people in the villages and rural areas and would like to allocate funding for this purpose</p> <p>Explanation why chosen this supplier Due to the timing of the election and the end of financial year, the LYN is not in a position to appoint a provider at this point. However, they are clear on a strategic approach to this work and would ask the Area Board to consider allocating this funding towards projects in rural areas.</p>			

Recommendation of the Local Youth Network Management Group, with any conditions

To delegate the decision to the CEM and LYF in consultation with the LYN in view of the end of the financial year approaching and no further area boards planned due to election period. All decisions will also be in consultation with the area board members.

The allocation of this funding may take place through the grant system or through procurement

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