

Report to Devizes Area Board
Date of meeting 16 May 2016
Title of report Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the Report:

To consider a councillor-led initiative requesting funding from the Area Board.

Applicant	Amount requested
Cllr Richard Gamble	£6,000.00

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](#)

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2016/2017 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 and practice papers for [councillor-led initiatives](#)
- 2.4. [Best practice advises that applications relating to young people or highways and transport should be considered by, and seek a recommendation from, the Local Youth Network or Community Area Transport Group.](#)

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Councillor led-projects are designed to enable councillors to tackle issues in their area, including projects and initiatives which have been initiated by the community eg. a community issue. Councillor-led projects should not be used to fill gaps where there are service shortfalls or where it is possible for the matter to be resolved through the use of the Community Area Grants scheme.

4. Financial Implications

Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure. [The Community Area Grants scheme which funds Councillor-led initiatives can only provide capital funding.](#)

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.

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 Name	Provider	Project Proposal	Requested
Cllr Richard Gamble	DOCA	DOCA project works	£6,000.00
Project description DOCA produces and delivers a range of events throughout the year these include: Picnic in the Park * The International Street Arts Festival * The Confetti Battle * Devizes Carnival * The Christmas Lantern Parade & workshops * The Winter Ales Festival DOCA work with local schools, residential care homes, community groups, museums, large numbers of local volunteers, local businesses, The Town Council, local, regional, national & international artists and have huge audiences of all ages. Over the year DOCA attract approximately 34,000 people to their events, and 1380 people participate in workshops for events such as Carnival and the Lantern Parade. DOCA generate nearly half of their income from advertising, stall holder concessions. This year DOCA's original Arts Council funding application was rejected and they have had to reapply with a request for a lower amount. DOCA have now received confirmation that this funding application for a lower amount has been successful. If this application to the area board is successful, this will constitute part of the match funding required for this Arts Council Funding DOCA will use all their income to deliver events such as Confetti Battle, Carnival and Winter Parade and will re-apply to ACE for support to continue our work in 2018. An itemised list of this items that will be purchased with this money is on the next page:			

Item	cost
Container as long term storage solution – including delivery and installation	£1640
Parking cones – to reduce long term hire costs	£396
Paint for Colour Dash – 5k fundraising run before Confetti Battle	£538
Guillotine A3 – speeding up office work	£39
Withies, glue & tissue for lantern making workshops	1750
Basic catering equipment – (we currently ask volunteers to lend equipment)	£50
Production box & festival essentials – gloves – gaffa tape, cable ties etc.	£75
New signage – money towards new lamp post signs	1512
Total	6000

Proposal
That the Area Board determines the application from Cllr Richard Gamble for £6,000

Background documents used in the publication of this report:
Quotes/estimates for this proposal can be obtained from the Community Engagement Manager upon request.

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