

Report to	South West Wiltshire Area Board
Date of Meeting	26/07/2017
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Mere Parish Council Project Title: Mere Town Clock - auto regulator View full application	£2252.00

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](#)

[The funding criteria and application forms](#) are available on the council's website.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2017/2018 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.

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

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

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.

9. Applications for consideration

Application ID	Applicant	Project Proposal	Requested
2445	Mere Parish Council	Mere Town Clock - auto regulator	£2252.00
<p>Project Description: The clock in Mere Clock Tower currently needs constant adjustments due to temperature and humidity fluctuations and is nearly always showing the wrong time. The Clock Tower is Grade II Listed and it is therefore necessary to keep the clock mechanism in place. Clock experts have advised us that we need to install an auto regulator and then the clock will keep perfect time. We will also have to install an electricity supply point for the regulator.</p> <p>Input from Community Engagement Manager: The applicant reports that local people and businesses will benefit from having a good-looking clock tower in the centre of town, on which the Town Council have spent a large amount of precept money, but it must have a clock which presents the correct time.</p> <p>This is a capital project. The applicant has not committed to paying 50% of the project cost, offering a £500 contribution from the Town Council. However, the applicant reports that £15,500 was spent in refurbishing the clock tower during the 2015/16 financial year. Mere Town Council have started to allocate funds for future maintenance but do not have sufficient resources to carry out the work to the clock at this stage.</p>			
<p>Proposal That the Area Board determines the application.</p>			

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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