

Report to	Calne Area Board
Date of Meeting	08/12/2020
Title of Report	Community Area Grant funding

Purpose of the report:

a) To consider the applications for funding listed below

Applicant	Amount requested
Applicant: Cherhill Village hall Project Title: Cherhill Village Hall replacement chairs View full application	£2500.00

b) To note allocation of funds decided under authority delegated to the Community Engagement Manager and in consultation with the Chair of the Area Board and the allocation of funds previously decided by the area board as a small initiative fund and accrued as follows:

	Amount allocated
Details of the allocation: Calne Foodbank Calne Foodbank moving costs - remedial works View full application	£500.00
Details of the allocation: Calne Clean-up Crew Promotional equipment for use at future events. This allocation refers to the Clean Calne initiative initially agreed in February 2017 to support local groups acquiring equipment for community-based litter picking events and promotions. This represents the final allocation from the scheme.	£760.00

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 2015/2016 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
3886	Cherhill Village hall	Cherhill Village Hall replacement chairs	£2500.00

Project Description:

Cherhill Village Hall is managed by an independent charity on behalf of the local community. In the new Covid-19 environment they plan to purchase chairs with hard plastic backs and vinyl upholstered bases that are easier to clean to the required standard (compared to previous coarse cloth upholstery which was very difficult to keep clean).

Input from Community Engagement Manager:

Members may want to consider that the historic Village Hall grants scheme was combined with the Community Area Grants scheme several years ago.

Initial assessments of the impact of Covid 19 upon the community suggest that addressing social and cultural isolation will be amongst the priorities for the community moving forward into a future recovery.

This is a valuable local facility which, in normal times provides a well-used venue for a range of social and cultural activities.

An award to this project would represent approx. 47% of the total project cost.

Proposal

That the Area Board determines the application.

No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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