

Area Board Funding Investment 2019/20 Briefing Note to Area Board Chairs

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Overview

This briefing note sets out the key findings from the survey of Area Board grant recipients during the 2019/20 financial year. The results are reported by applicants to a survey conducted by the Wiltshire Council Community Engagement team. In total 386 responses were received.

During 2019/20 the Area Boards invested:

- £793,942 into 348 capital projects
- £362,312 into 167 youth projects
- £156,464 into 174 health and wellbeing projects

An overall investment across all boards and all funding streams of £1,312,718 into 689 community led projects.

The total project value from Area Board supported projects was £6,112,577.

Therefore for every £1 invested, an additional £4.65 worth of community value was added. This is up from £3.49 in 2018/19.

Recipients from each funding stream were contacted in categories and asked tailored questions to enable the data received to be more specific.

The overall number of volunteers who helped to support the projects over the funding streams were as follows:

Capital grant– 3,435
Youth grant - 523
Health & Wellbeing - 503
Total number of volunteers – 4,461

The overall number of people who participated in the projects were as follows:

Capital grant – 31,528
Youth grant – 3,165
Health & Wellbeing grant – 5,534
Total number of participants – 40,227

Capital grant funding:

We received 262 responses to the capital survey.

Community Area	Percentage of the 262 responses from each area
Amesbury	8.4%
Bradford on Avon	3.1%
Chippenham	9.9%
Calne	3.4%
Corsham	6.9%
Devizes	8.4%
Malmesbury	4.6%
Marlborough	4.6%
Melksham	5.7%
Pewsey	6.9%
Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade	3.1%
Salisbury	7.3%
Southern	2.7%
South West Wiltshire	6.1%
Tidworth	2.3%
Trowbridge	6.1%
Warminster	7.6%
Westbury	3.1%

The project outcomes are shown in the tables below.

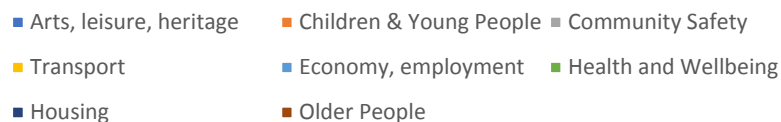
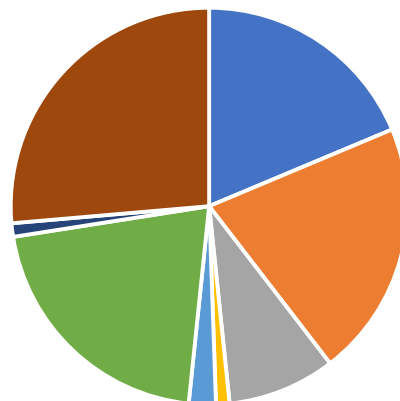
Did your project support the following:	No. of projects	Percentage of respondents:
Improved the quality of facilities available at a publicly accessible venue	189	72.1%
Increased the quantity of facilities available at a publicly accessible venue	66	25.2%
Improved the quality of equipment available for an open access local club, group or activity	98	37.4%
Increased the quantity of equipment available for an open access local club, group or activity	70	26.7%

Grant recipients were also asked which headline theme their capital grant helped support.

Theme	No. of grants	Percentage of grants
Arts, leisure and heritage;	139	53.1%
Children and young people	147	56.1%
Community safety	59	22.5%
Community transport	6	2.3%
Economy and employment	17	6.5%
Environment	70	26.7%

Health and wellbeing	150	57.3%
Housing	5	1.9%
Older people	189	42.0%

Capital funding investment by theme



Health and Wellbeing grant funding

We received 69 responses to the health and wellbeing survey.

Community Area	Percentage of the 69 responses from each area
Amesbury	2.9%
Bradford on Avon	2.9%
Chippenham	8.7%
Calne	5.8%
Corsham	5.8%
Devizes	10.1%
Malmesbury	4.3%
Marlborough	1.4%
Melksham	2.9%
Pewsey	5.8%
Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade	4.3%
Salisbury	21.7%
Southern	1.4%
South West Wiltshire	5.8%
Tidworth	1.4%
Trowbridge	4.3%
Warminster	5.8%
Westbury	4.3%

The project outcomes are shown in the tables below.

	Yes	No
Has your project directly led to attendees participating in frequent mild exercise?	39.3%	60.7%
Has your project directly led to attendees participating in frequent moderate exercise?	11.1%	88.9%
Has your project directly led to people gaining new skills?	56.4%	43.6%

Health and Wellbeing projects have reported supporting the following themes:

Theme:	Number	Percentage
Mental health and wellbeing	44	63.8%
Social isolation / Loneliness	49	71.0%
Falls prevention	11	15.9%
Dementia friendly	21	30.4%
Support for Carers	20	29.0%
Financial support and awareness	11	15.9%
Other	14	20.3%

Youth grant funding:

We received 55 responses to the youth grant funding survey.

Community Area	Percentage of the 69 responses from each area
Amesbury	5.5%
Bradford on Avon	1.8%
Chippenham	12.7%
Calne	9.1%
Corsham	7.3%
Devizes	10.9%
Malmesbury	5.5%
Marlborough	0.0%
Melksham	1.8%
Pewsey	3.6%
Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade	3.6%
Salisbury	10.9%
Southern	1.8%
South West Wiltshire	1.8%
Tidworth	3.6%
Trowbridge	7.3%
Warminster	7.3%
Westbury	5.5%

Achievements from the projects:

	Yes	No
Has your project directly led to attendees participating in frequent mild exercise?	60.9%	39.9%
Has your project directly led to attendees participating in frequent moderate exercise?	34.1%	65.9%
Has your project directly provided any vocational training?	28.9%	71.1%
Has your project directly led to anyone taking part gaining employment?	13.6%	86.4%

Youth projects have reported supporting the following themes:

Theme:	Number	Percentage
Mental health and wellbeing	40	72.7%
Crime (including knife, cyber, hate)	10	18.2%
Bullying	16	29.1%
Provision of positive activities	40	72.7%
Financial support and awareness	6	10.9%
Sport or physical exercise	23	41.8%
Young carers	10	18.2%
Child Poverty	10	18.2%
Special educational needs and disability	12	21.8%
Other	11	20.0%