

Report to	Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board
Date of Meeting	25th May 2011
Title of Report	Community-Led Planning Grants

Purpose of Report

To update Councillors on expenditure for the previous financial year and to request funds for 2 applications seeking funding for Community Led Planning

1. Lydiard Millicent seeking £1800 for Community Led Planning
2. Lyneham and Bradenstoke seeking £3000 for Community Led Planning

Update on expenditure for the previous financial year:-

£62,298 has been allocated to different community groups through Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board and this has brought £97,733 into the local community for these projects.

Youth transport has been allocated £5,100.

Thames pre school Cricklade was awarded £555 for a Metal tool shed for their community garden, £1419 to enhance the outdoor area of the pre school and Thames Hall Management committee were awarded £1045 to replace a central heating boiler.

Wiltshire fire Cadets at Cricklade have been awarded £709 to provided seed funding for the new fire cadets.

Cricklade youth group were awarded £2,494 to build a fence around their skate park, Cricklade Town Festival were awarded £1,240 for their street fair and Cricklade Preschool playgroup were awarded £3,000 to clad and insulate the old library.

Cricklade Jenner Hall were awarded £864 to upgrade fire protection, Cricklade Heritage Trail were awarded £5000 for historic interpretation design and boards and Cricklade Bloomers were awarded £1630 for baskets and Cricklade British Legion were awarded £960.

Purton and Lydiard Beavers Pack were awarded £943 for new play equipment in their new hall and Purton Institute Village Hall Charity were awarded £820 to refurbish village hall kitchen.

Marston Meysey Village Hall Association were awarded £1,750 to refurbish the kitchen in village hall

Broad Town were awarded £387 to enhance existing football goals and Broad Town village show were awarded £2241 for a stage cover for their town big gig..

Lyneham primary school was awarded £2996 to redecorate a community room and £1,000 to create a remembrance garden and Lyneham youth club was awarded £2752 for a summer programme for young people.

Wootton Bassett Museum and Heritage Group were awarded £916 to purchase a computer and scanner equipment.

Wilts and Berks Canal Trust were awarded £1736 to improve the surface of the towpath

Longleaze pre school was awarded £930 to provide an access ramp and hand rail and improve accessibility to the building.

All the Towns and Parish councils in the Area have been awarded £15,200 to assist with community planning and Wootton Bassett, Cricklade and Purton have been allocated their funds and Lyneham and Lydiard Millicent are applying for their funds on 25th May 2011.

This leaves £7,500 carry forward for community led planning and £6,769.00 carried forward for community area grants.

The budget for the financial year 2011/2012 is £51,680, which together with the carry forward from community grants from last year gives the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board £58,449 to spend on grants for Community Groups in the next financial year.

1. Background

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Community Services (27 February 2010). Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance for funding.
- 1.2. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, any recommendation of an Area Board that is contrary to the funding criteria would need the approval of the Leader, the appropriate Cabinet Member or the Cabinet.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Area Board Grants Guidance officers are required to provide recommendations in their report, however, the decision to support applications and to what level is made by Wiltshire Councillors on this Area Board.
- 1.4. Four applicants for community Area Grants hope to reapply at a future date as the applications were incomplete. CIB work on behalf of Wiltshire Council to support community and voluntary groups, town and parish councils to seek funding for community projects and schemes both from the Area Board and other local and national funding sources.
- 1.5. Funding applications will be considered at every Area Board meeting.
- 1.6. Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board has been allocated a 2010/2011 budget of £51,680 for community grants, community led planning and councillor led initiatives. The carry forward for community area grants from the 2009/2010 budget is £6769 and the carry forward for community led planning is £7500. This leaves a total budget of £58,449 for community area grants and £7,500 for community led planning for the 2010/2011 budget.
- 1.7. A decision has been made in 2010/2011 that paper copies of funding applications will no longer appear as part of the agenda in an attempt to reduce volume of paper used. However, the application forms will be available on the Wiltshire Council web site and hard copies available upon request.
- 1.8. The 2010/2011 funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website (www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards) or paper versions are available from the Community Area Manager.

Background documents used in the preparation of this Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Area Grant Application Pack 20010/11 •
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2. Main Considerations

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2010/11 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.
- 2.2. There will be 5 rounds of funding during 20011/12. The first is contained in this report the remaining will take place on;
 - 12th October 2011
 - 30th November 2011
 - 25 January 2012
 - 28th March 2012

3. Environmental & Community Implications

Community Area Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. Awards must fall within the Area Boards budget allocated to the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.
- 4.2. If grants are awarded in line with officer recommendations Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board will have a balance of £58,449 for community area grants and £2,700 for community led planning

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific Legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 7.1. Community Area Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.
- 7.2. Implications relating to individual grant applications are outlined within section 8 – “Officer Recommendations”.

8. Officer recommendations

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.1	Lydiard Millicent parish council and steering group	Community Led Planning	£1800

- 8.1.1. Officer recommends that this grant is awarded.
- 8.1.2. Application meets grant criteria 2011/12 as agreed by the Area Board
- 8.1.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 8.1.4. Application meets locally agreed/Area Board priorities
- 8.1.5. The applicant is a parish council who is applying for funds to commence working on community led planning with a local steering group.
- 8.1.6. The project is to work with a steering group and consult with the community to identify what the community needs and aspirations are, linking with local and national research and legislation and produce a local plan. This is to link with a community plan for the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.
- 8.1.7. By working with the all members of the community to identify it’s aspirations and future needs, future community plans will demonstrate Equality and Inclusion within this project
- 8.1.8. The Area Board has agreed to provide funding for community led planning through town and parish councils and without this funding this project may not proceed.

Ref	Applicant	Project proposal	Funding requested
8.2.	Lyneham and Bradenstoke Parish Council and Steering Group	Community Led Planning	£3000

- 8.2.1. Officer recommends that this grant is awarded.
- 8.2.2. Application meets grant criteria 2011/12 as agreed by the Area Board
- 8.2.3. Application demonstrates a link to the Community Plan
- 8.2.4. Application meets locally agreed/Area Board priorities
- 8.2.5. The applicant is a parish council who is applying for funds to commence working on community led planning with a local steering group.
- 8.2.6. The project is to work with a steering group and consult with the community to identify what the community needs and aspirations are, linking with local and national research and legislation and produce a local plan. This is to link with a community plan for the Wootton Bassett and Cricklade Area Board.
- 8.2.7. By working with the all members of the community to identify it's aspirations and future needs, future community plans will demonstrate Equality and Inclusion within this project
- 8.2.8. The Area Board has agreed to provide funding for community led planning through town and parish councils and without this funding this project may not proceed

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Grant application – Lydiard Millicent Appendix 2 Grant application – Lyneham and Bradenstoke
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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