

Report To	Chippenham Area Board
Date of Meeting	Monday, 14 June 2021
Title of Report	Chippenham Area Grant Report

Purpose of the Report

- To provide detail of the grant applications made to the Chippenham Area Board. These could include; community area grants, health and wellbeing, young persons grants and Area Board initiatives.
- To document any recommendations provided through sub groups.

Area Board Current Financial Position

	Community Area Grants	Young People	Health and Wellbeing
Opening Balance For <u>2021/22</u>	<u>£69,361.39</u>	<u>£30,500.00</u>	<u>£7700.00</u>
Awarded To Date	<u>£0</u>	<u>£0</u>	<u>£0</u>
Current Balance	<u>£69,361.39</u>	<u>£30,500.00</u>	<u>£7700.00</u>
Balance if all grants are agreed based on recommendations	<u>£43,649.69</u>	<u>£12,146.00</u>	<u>£5700.00</u>

Grant Funding Application Summary

Application Reference	Grant Type	Applicant	Project	Total Cost	Requested
ABG45	Youth Grant	Youth Adventure Trust	Supporting disadvantaged young people through the pandemic and beyond	£13108.64	£2388.64

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<p>Project Summary: We would like your support to help fund the programme costs of the 8 Chippenham young people currently on the programme in Year 2, but specifically helpful would be the Youth Worker/Programme Manager salary costs associated with the support of these 8 young people. Youth Adventure Trust recognises that there needs to be positive action and intervention to improve the outcomes for the most disadvantaged people in society. The young people we work with are the most vulnerable and disadvantaged in Wiltshire and Swindon who are facing additional challenges because of COVID-19. During lockdown, schools, support services, charities and youth organisations have worked incredibly hard to utilise resources in order to continue to support the most at-risk young people, including moving their services online. However, the reach of these resources cannot compare to the support structure these young people would have had access to prior to the lockdown. As a result, many young people no longer have access to the support they so desperately need (or are not receiving an equivalent level of support) and their needs are going unnoticed and unaddressed. We have serious concerns about the increased risk to our young people and we expect to see an increase in the number of children needing the support of our charity. Our programme includes 3 residential camps, an Explore Day, 6 Activity Days and 4 Pathway Days over a period of three academic years, all supplemented with the on-going support, mentoring and guidance of our skilled programme team. It allows us to deliver a sustained long-term impact on the lives of our young people and increase the chances of them maintaining the effects of the programme over time. This is then followed by a mentoring and bursary scheme to sustain the positive impact the programme has had on the young people, until age 16. We focus on the 'Forgotten Children', those children that are not yet a statistic but are heading that way. We intervene and offer a lifeline through the provision of a long term and immersive experience and by building strong relationships. "The Youth Adventure Trust is special because it provides opportunities that are otherwise unavailable. It helps give a boost to those that need an extra hand in life." (Carer) The Youth Workers are the beating heart of our charity, who support the young people throughout the programme, helping them set objectives, supporting them on every camp and activity day and giving them continuous 1:1 support and mentoring. The Youth Workers ensure that each child gets the very most out of the programme. They go the extra mile with each and every one of them, focusing on their individual problems and working hard to overcome their issues and challenges, as well as being positive role models. They give of themselves personally and the children respect them and are emotionally connected to them as a result. They provided invaluable online mentoring sessions to our most vulnerable young people during the lockdowns, which involved having an hour-long video call with the young person each week. It was an opportunity for someone to check in on them, see how they were managing, talk about any issues or worries, have an eye into the household to see how they were all doing, to have some social interaction and to play lots of fun games and challenges along the way. They also encouraged the young people to think about their wellbeing and make use of their daily exercise allowance by getting outside. For many, having one hour of undivided attention from an adult is a rarity and the positive interaction they had with their Programme Manager mentor undoubtedly helped to boost their self-confidence, promoted better mental health and ensured they were continuing to build their resilience. "I think it's great that she's been given this opportunity to speak to someone else outside of the home. She usually has video counselling sessions with CAMHS but we're waiting to hear when the next ones will be. I think it will be useful as she's not doing schoolwork and it's all very difficult." (Parent)</p>					
ABG77	Community Area Grant	Independent Artist Group	Independent Art Group Art Fairs and Craft Markets	£963.00	£243.00
<p>Project Summary: We will be holding monthly events in Chippenham town centre. On the second Saturday of each month, we will hold alternate art fairs and craft markets, in the King Alfred Hall. There are at least 12 stall holders at each event. They make and sell their own work, under the theme of the "natural world". We promote each smallholder on our website and social media. We want to support these local art and craft businesses by giving them this space to sell, and also a place to be together for community support. We give a free space each month to charity, fundraising or community projects. We support these as well with on line promotion. Our aim is to give Chippenham residents a regular place to visit and shop and support these artists / crafters. A Chippenham based business will be providing refreshments as well, to make the experience of visiting the events a bit more than just a quick browse round the hall. We aim to attract more people in to the town centre, with better and bigger advertising and promotion, which is why we need as much financial help as we can get.</p>					
ABG90	Youth Grant	Rag and Bone Arts CIC	Summer of Fun	£1500.00	£750.00

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<p>Project Summary: We'd like to run some fun interactive improvisation and drama workshops for 11 Ups and 14 Ups for three days at the beginning of the holidays. Post Covid we think that there will be a need to be silly, play some games, be around other people their own age and generally make up for lost time and confidence. We plan on recruiting two experienced actors and drama workshop leaders to deliver sessions focusing on self expression, ideas creativity and confidence building. Each session will last 2 hours per day and be delivered for 11-14s and 14 - 18's, so that they are with people their own age. It will run over 3 days and the emphasis will be on getting together to let off steam and to remember how to make up short scenes which are driven by their ideas and lives.</p>					
ABG8	Community Area Grant	Chippenham Cricket Club	Chippenham Cricket Club facility improvements	£4372.80	£2186.40
<p>Project Summary: Chippenham Cricket Club is rapidly growing and is now the largest cricket club in the county for junior (aged from 4 to 19) and senior cricket. We now have a fast developing women and girls section that in 2021 will have 5 teams and this year will also see the start of the first of it's kind in Wiltshire, a disability cricket section. All of this creates great pressure on our facilities and quite simply the main ground cannot provide everything for everyone. For this reason we aim to develop the facilities on our 2nd and 3rd grounds to ensure that all members, regardless of age or ability, receive a high quality offering and a welcoming and developmental environment that will support their sporting needs. This project aims to provide sight screens for our 2nd and 3rd grounds which will enable all players to be able to see the ball more easily and will support their development, whilst making it significantly safer for all users.</p>					
ABG41	Community Area Grant	Friends of Monkton Park School	Converting Monkton Park School Bungalow to a Community Facility	£28000.00	£5000.00
<p>Project Summary: We want to convert our onsite bungalow into a building that can be used by the whole community. The bungalow is in sound structural condition but requires extensive refurbishment internally so that it can be used. This refurbishment will create a community room with attached kitchen, nurture & sensory room, meeting rooms and toilet with wheelchair access. This project will provide an incredibly versatile space for the local community to use. We hope that the Chippenham Area Board grant will enable us to develop the community room and attached kitchen.</p>					
ABG82	Health and Wellbeing Grant	Families Out Loud	Families out Loud service delivery costs	£16352.00	£3944.00
<p>Project Summary: Families Out Loud is a small charity based in Wiltshire. We help adults who are affected by another persons alcohol or drug addiction through counselling one to one advice and support groups. All Trustees have suffered personally from another persons addiction. The understand how addiction devastates lives and families and what can work to support them. We aim to continue this work in Chippenham and develop a bereavement service to sit alongside it as several of our families have experienced loss of a loved one.</p>					
ABG85	Area Board Initiative	Doorway Wiltshire Ltd	Doorway move to the Citadel equipment	£9550.00	£4775.00
<p>Project Summary: Doorway is moving from its part-time location at the Salvation Army hall in Chippenham to the Citadel in the town centre in order to expand its services to homeless and vulnerably housed people in Wiltshire, by being open for 4 days per week instead of 2 days, and by running extra groups and services which we can't offer currently due to limitations of space and available time. We are making some alterations to the new venue in order to make it exactly right for our needs, and we're having to purchase equipment which we've up to now borrowed from the Salvation Army, including tables and chairs.</p>					

1. Background

Area Boards have authority to approve funding under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria. This document is available on the council's website.

Three funding streams are available to the Area Board, each with an annually awarded amount. These funding streams are as follows:

- Community Area Grants (capital)
- Young People (revenue)
- Health and Wellbeing (revenue)

The Area Board will be advised of the funding available prior to their first meeting of each financial year.

2. Main Considerations

2.1. Councillors need to be satisfied that the applications meet the requirements as set out in the Area Board Funding and Grants Criteria and that the health and wellbeing and young persons funding guidelines have been adhered to.

2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.

2.3. Councillors need to consider any recommendations made by sub groups of the Area Boards.

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

Councillors must ensure that the Area Board has sufficient funding available to cover the grants awarded.

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.

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

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