

### **Appendix 3: Area Board supported environmental projects 2020/21**

#### **Blue Heart Campaign, Trowbridge Area Board - £1,115 awarded**

Project summary: This project engages members of the public on the Blue Heart Campaign, which focuses on areas of land in gardens, public open spaces or road verges that are left or enhanced for wildlife. Many wildlife meadow trials in Trowbridge have very little engagement and this project runs family events to create their own blue heart for their own garden. A wildflower patch in Trowbridge will be created to run a series of talks and events demonstrating the benefits of reduced mowing and wildflower enhancements for wildlife.

#### **City to Countryside Dog Trails initiative, Southern Wiltshire Area Board - £500 awarded.**

Project summary: Dog trails to facilitate access to the countryside via supported walking routes.

#### **Eco Friendly Directory, Southern Wiltshire Area Board, no funding required**

Project summary: A community area directory of eco-friendly initiatives, projects and schemes in and around Wiltshire (a sharing resource for parish councils and community groups to get inspiration from). Produced by a local volunteer, and to be used and promoted at a themed event this year.

#### **Electric Charging Points, Tidworth Area Board – £9,000 awarded**

Project summary: A joint project with Tidworth Town Council to include the installation of electric charging points in their new Civic Centre due for completion in about 2 years. The community area currently has no charging points.

#### **Fovant Village Hall Energy Saving project, South West Wiltshire Area Board - £5,600 awarded.**

Project summary: an environmental project to aid the Fovant Village Hall to save energy through the improvement of the hall structure.

#### **Harnham Neighbourhood Association, Harnham Harvest Table, Salisbury Area Board - £910 awarded**

Project summary: The project aims to provide a mechanism for gardeners and allotment-holders in Harnham to share their surplus fruit and vegetables with other local residents who can benefit from them. This reduces wastage and promotes health and wellbeing by providing an accessible and free source of fresh produce to all who wish to take advantage of it including struggling families and older people.

#### **Kingdom of Sticks, Bee Trail, Salisbury Area Board - £1,753 awarded**

Project summary: The Salisbury Bee Trail will update signage and maps will be available to enable people to experience being outside in the city and as lockdown eases. Exploring our city green spaces is central to the trail which have hidden signs and the map will take people to the correct spot to find each of the 14 stops. For more information visit - <https://www.kingdomofsticks.com/>

**Laverstock Scouts Nature Discovery Area, Southern Wiltshire Area Board - £1,700 awarded**

**Living Green Wall, Bradford on Avon Area Board - £2,500 awarded**

Project summary: This is a community project backed by the Town Council which the Area Board supported. The [Living Green Wall](#) is a community-led project aiming to build a beautiful vertical garden in the heart of Bradford on Avon. The proposal is to build a vertical garden on the wall in Bridge Yard for the enjoyment and benefit of the town's community, visitors and businesses. Living Walls offer not only aesthetic benefits; they improve air quality and encourage biodiversity in otherwise blank lifeless spaces.

With the Town Council's declarations of Climate and Ecological Emergencies, and Climate Friendly Bradford on Avon urging the community to upscale its efforts to improve air quality and biodiversity in the town centre, this project presents a fantastic opportunity to do so, whilst providing a beautiful feature for visitors and residents alike. The wall will include a wide variety of seasonal plants, low energy LED lighting as well as birdhouses and bug hotels.

**Mere Electric Car Club, South West Wiltshire Area Board - £11,000 awarded**

Project summary: The aim is to introduce up to 4 electric charging points in Mere and up to 2 electric cars that will facilitate a new car club, for residents and visitors to rent. The charging points will also be promoted to A303 travellers.

**Purchase of Becky Addy Wood, Bradford on Avon Area Board - £5,000 awarded**

Project summary: Following the wood's listing for auction, Bradford on Avon Town Council was approached by the Friends of Becky Addy Wood (FROBAW) to investigate whether it could support a purchase as a way of protecting habitat. A [project](#) was initiated to help purchase Becky Addy Wood for the benefit of the community both in Bradford on Avon and Westwood, to retain and protect green spaces as per the intention of the Neighbourhood Plan.

**Salisbury City Council/ Anybody Can Cook, Salisbury Community Pantry, Salisbury Area Board - £5,000 awarded**

Project Summary - A [community shop](#) for people on low incomes who have suffered a change in situation particularly during COVID. A project with partners to extend the food delivery project that has been in place during lockdown. It acts as a stepping

stone from foodbanks and supports families and individuals to prepare nutritious meals from the ingredients, as well as helping to avoid food waste.

### **Salisbury Garden Volunteers, Salisbury Area Board – £1,000 awarded**

Project Summary - The [Secret garden](#) is nearing completion as far as design is concerned. However, with the background of Climate Change and the interruptions to our work caused by Novichok and COVID-19 the aim is to future-proof the garden as far as possible. Our immediate goals are a) To reduce the need for constant watering b) To offer more protection for wildlife c) To reduce our dependence on foreign imports d) To increase the production of our own compost material e) To provide more of a continuous display throughout the seasons.

### **Salisbury Transition City, Salisbury Area Board - £1,000 awarded**

Project Summary - This [event](#) will build on the successful September 2020 event which brought together over 20 community groups and organisations including Salisbury City Council with the aim of raising awareness of the need to bring about a sustainable future for the city. The event is also aimed at encouraging greater engagement amongst the young people regarding environmental issues and will promote greater involvement in the democratic process. It is also hoped that this will provide young artists with a platform to showcase their talents. This will be done by doing the following:

- Create an uplifting event in Queen Elizabeth Garden where community groups can provide information about their work.
- Provide a two stages with musical entertainment poetry and educational talks. This application will enable the youth stage to be funded. It will be dedicated to young people.
- Provide a platform for organisations including Salisbury City Council to explain what they are doing to become carbon neutral by 2030.
- Encourage visitors to become involved in positive initiatives within their own communities. 5 To promote Salisbury as being a vibrant attractive community which cares about the future of the City and the environment.

### **Share Salisbury (A Library of Things), Salisbury Area Board, - £3,200 awarded**

Project Summary - [Share Salisbury](#) will provide the community with a Library of Things containing items such as carpet cleaners camping tables tools and toys. These will be available to hire via an on-line platform. All items will be of significant value to families and individuals who may not otherwise have access to such goods due to high purchasing cost or because infrequent use would not justify a purchase. The project will help to reduce inequality waste resource use and carbon emissions.

### **[Tis the Future](#), South West Wiltshire Area Board, no funding required**

### **Trowbridge environmental community, Waste Free Masterclasses: Trowbridge Area Board - £950 awarded**

Project summary: A focus on providing waste free boxes to households to help them learn ways in which to combat unnecessary single use plastics at home. Boxes are provided at subsidised cost from 'We Are Undressed' and contain different items depending on the need at home e.g. lemon bicarbonate of soda and vinegar to make up a cleaning solution. Instructional videos of what is in each box and how to make up a cleaning solution are posted to our website to guide people through the process.

**Water Quality Testing Kit, Wiltshire Wildlife Trust – Trowbridge Area Board - £515 awarded**

This project will allow Wiltshire Wildlife Trusts Water Team to purchase a backpack lab - water quality testing kit and educational resource, part of the ABBA: A Better Biss Approach Project. An in-depth water quality analysis on the rivers around Trowbridge will commence and school and community groups will be introduced to water quality testing with practical demonstrations and activities.